Headquarters, 3d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division
1st Battalion, 187th Infantry Regiment
3d Battalion, 187th Infantry Regiment
1st Squadron, 33d Cavalry Regiment
3d Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment
626th Support Battalion
Special Troops Battalion, 3d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division
Detachment 2, 81st Troop Command (6 October 2012 to 6 April 2013)
Provincial Reconstruction Team Khowst (Provisional) (21 October 2012 to 16 April 2013)
Provincial Reconstruction Team Paktika (Provisional) (6 October 2012 to 4 April 2013)
Detachment, 2d Squadron, 13th Cavalry Regiment [Security Force Assistance Advisory Team, Team 2]
Detachment, Special Troops Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division
[Security Force Assistance Advisory Team, Team 1 and Team 5]
Detachment, 2d Battalion, 29th Field Artillery Regiment [Security Force Assistance Advisory Team, Team 4 and Team 5]
Detachment, 123d Support Battalion [Security Force Assistance Advisory Team, Team 5 and Team 6]
Detachment, 191st Infantry Brigade [Security Force Assistance Advisory Team]
Detachment, 1st Battalion, 9th Field Artillery Regiment [Security Force Assistance Advisory Team, Team 1, Team 3, Team 4, Team 6 and Team 7]

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 6 October 2012 to 22 May 2013
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 6 October 2012 to 22 May 2013, the Headquarters, 3d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division and the cited units conducted wide area security operations in Regional Command-East across Patika, Paktya and Khowst Provinces while in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit's support of the Afghan Government and Afghan National Security Force partners enabled the establishment of a safe and secure environment for Afghanistan's citizens and set the conditions for sustainable progress.
The actions of Headquarters, 3d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division and the cited units are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon themselves and the United States Army.

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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