Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 42d Military Police Brigade
Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 535th Military Police Battalion
   (8 February 2012 to 7 September 2012)
Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 310th Military Police Battalion
   (8 February 2012 to 30 October 2012)
305th Military Police Company (8 February 2012 to 30 October 2012)
595th Military Police Company (8 February 2012 to 4 November 2012)
Detachment 2, 354th Military Police Company (8 February 2012 to 22 July 2012)
Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Brigade Special Troops Battalion
   (8 February 2012 to 14 October 2012)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 8 February 2012 to 4 November 2012
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 8 February 2012 to
4 November 2012, the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 42d Military Police
Brigade and the cited units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of
Operation Enduring Freedom. While conducting detention operations at the detention
facility in Parwan, the units provided command and control over the only theater level
detention facility during the historic transition of detainees to Afghan National Army
control. In accordance with a memorandum of understanding signed between the
government of the United States and the government of the Islamic Republic of
Afghanistan. Over 3,000 administrative detainees were transitioned from United States
custody to the government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan custody during the
unprecedented operation the units flawlessly maintained and secured human care,
custody and control of over 3,700 United States law of armed conflict detainees. In
partnership with the Afghan National Army the units provided the required training,
mentorship and partnership to allow the full transition of Afghan National Detention
Facility, Parwan, which was a strategically vital objective in the overall transition
operations in Afghanistan. The Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 42d Military
Police Brigade and the cited units’ performance of duty is in keeping with the finest of
traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves, the cited units
and the United States Army.
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PERMANENT ORDERS, 354-05 U.S. Army Human Resources Command,  
1600 Spearhead Division Ave., Fort Knox, KY 40122, 20 December 2013

Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization(s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is still subject to final confirmation in Department of the Army General Orders. Official verification of a specific unit's entitlement to display the award in the form of an appropriate streamer on its flag or guidon rests with the U.S. Army Center of Military History (CMH), which is also responsible for determining official unit Lineage and Honors for MTOE organizations. CMH will use this permanent order to authorize the manufacture of an appropriate decoration streamer for any organization clearly entitled to display the award. The streamers will then be manufactured and sent to the U.S. Army Human Resources Command for automatic distribution to the units concerned. It is not the responsibility of HRC to replace streamers that are lost or damaged. Please refer to AR 840-10 for further guidance regarding the responsibilities of the unit concerning the display, care and disposition of the streamers.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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