Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Brigade, 1st Infantry Division (less the period 10 April 2004 to 22 April 2004)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation  
Period of service: 18 March 2004 to 21 February 2005  
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15  
Reason: During the period 18 March 2004 to 21 February 2005, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Brigade, 1st Infantry Division displayed exceptionally meritorious service while in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit's dedication to the mission went beyond the call of duty and contributed greatly to mission success. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Brigade, 1st Infantry Division's performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon the unit, the 1st Infantry Division and the United States Army. 
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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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