2d Medical Detachment

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 21 June 2013 to 1 March 2014
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 21 June 2013 to 1 March 2014, 2d Medical Detachment displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Throughout this period, the Soldiers of this Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Afghanistan Forward Surgical Team planned and executed sustainment operations providing surgical coverage for a highly kinetic area of operation with 1.5K coalition population at risk. The unit successfully treated 105 coalition casualties while maintaining an overall patient survival rate of 98 percent. The Forward Surgical Team took on the added mission of developing and implementing a five man surgical concept known as The Golden Hour Offset Surgical Transport Team. The team was responsible for executing four major missions within an austere area where there was no immediate air medical evacuation coverage. The success of the unit instilled a high level of confidence within combatant Commanders allowing them to conduct operations throughout the entire Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Afghanistan areas of operation leading to the stability and legitimacy of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. The unit set the conditions for victory in support of Operation Enduring Freedom against an asymmetric warfare enemy integrated throughout Afghanistan. By their exemplary performance of duty the 2d Medical Detachment brought great credit upon themselves, Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Afghanistan, Special Operations Joint Task Force-Afghanistan, Special Operations Command-Central, United States Forces-Afghanistan 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.
PERMANENT ORDERS, 175-05 U.S. Army Human Resources Command, 1600 Spearhead Division Ave., Fort Knox, KY 40122, 24 June 2014

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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