Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 10th Mountain Division
Detachment, 10th Mountain Division Band

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 6 February 2014 to 4 November 2014
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 6 February 2014 to
4 November 2014, the Soldiers, civilians and other service members of Headquarters and
Headquarters Battalion, 10th Mountain Division and the cited unit distinguished
themselves by exceptionally meritorious wartime service as the headquarters and staff
elements of Combined Joint Task Force-10 and Regional Command-East, Afghanistan.
The battalion was comprised of four companies, the Headquarters and Support Company,
Operations Company, Intelligence and Sustainment Company and the Division Signal
Company, and also included the Division Band. Each of these companies, to include the
Commanding General and Division Command Group, comprised and supported different
sections of the combined and Joint Regional Command-East headquarters and staff. The
command created a unified team of Coalition Forces, Special Operations Forces, inter-
agency partners, and intergovernmental organizations integrated into all operations and
committed to working with and through Afghan National Security Forces. The United
States Service Members, Coalition Partners and Civilians of the Regional Command-East
Headquarters made tremendous progress in enhancing security and stability in the 14
provinces of the eastern region of Afghanistan. The units fought the enemy and advised
and assisted the Afghan National Security Forces as they assumed full security
responsibility to deny international terrorists the use of Afghanistan as a safe haven. They
closed or transferred 23 bases, conducted the retrograde of Coalitions Forces and transfer
of key infrastructure to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, supported
both rounds of the historic 2014 Afghan Presidential Elections and the inauguration of the
new President of Afghanistan. As the last United States division to fight in Operation
Enduring Freedom and the last Regional Command-East, the division headquarters
successfully planned and executed the critical transition from Operations Enduring
Freedom to the Resolute Support Mission set. The Headquarters and Headquarters
Battalion, 10th Mountain Division and the cited unit’s outstanding performance is in
keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon its
Soldiers, 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry), 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. 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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