PERMANENT ORDER 349-02

15 December 2014

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment
Company A, 2d Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment
Company B, 2d Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment
Detachment, Company C, 2d Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment
Detachment, Company E, 204th Support Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 3 October 2013 to 10 July 2014
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 3 October 2013 to 10 July 2014, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment and the cited units displayed exemplary and meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom from their headquarters in Kuwait. The units contributed immeasurably in providing a lethal fighting force ready to assume any mission within its area of responsibility. The unit’s dedication to the mission and superior performance of duty are demonstrated by the increased security and partnership throughout the area of operations. The actions of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment and the cited units is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon the themselves, 2d Armored Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, United States Army Central 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:

STACY-ANN B. SIMMS
CW4, AG
Deputy Chief, Awards and Decorations Branch

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