Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 508th Military Police Battalion
291st Military Police Company (20 December 2013 to 4 August 2014)
211th Military Police Company (20 December 2013 to 21 August 2014)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 20 December 2013 to 15 December 2014
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 20 December 2013 to 15 December 2014, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 508th Military Police Battalion and the cited units distinguished themselves through exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service in Parwan Province, Afghanistan, supporting Operation Enduring Freedom. The units executed mission command over full spectrum of detention operations for the only theater-level detention facility in Afghanistan, ensuring the safe and humane care, custody and control of over 1,300 detainees. The units partnered with the Afghan National Army Military Police Guard Command and flawlessly conducted extensive security force assistance to train, advise and assist their Afghan National Army counterparts. Their exceptional efforts resulted in an Afghan Force capable of maintaining security and stability operations post 2014. The units were critical in the execution of the Combined Joint Interagency Task Force 435 and International Security Assistance Force’s campaign plans. Their efforts resulted in the certification of the Afghan National Army Military Police Guard Command and the strategically historic transition of detention operation to an enduring Afghan National Army capacity. This justified retrograde operations and defined the end-state of the Afghanistan campaign plan. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 508th Military Police Battalion and the cited units exemplary performance and steadfast dedication to duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon themselves 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, 350-05 U.S. Army Human Resources Command,
1600 Spearhead Division Ave., Fort Knox, KY 40122, 16 December 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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