MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, Headquarters, 101st Airborne Division, ATTN: G1 Awards, Ft Campbell, KY 42223

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of the Meritorious Unit Commendation (MUC)

1. The recommendation for award of the MUC to the 716th Military Police Battalion, 101st Airborne Division, for the period of 19 March 2003 to 2 February 2004, has been approved.

2. The citation and certificate are enclosed. The individual ribbons (emblems) should be procured through local supply channels.

3. The U.S. Army Center of Military History will authorize streamers for those units entitled to Lineage and Honors Certificates. All other units must request streamers directly from the U.S. Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command, Integrated Materiel Management Center, Soldier Systems Directorate, 700 Robbins Avenue, P.O. Box 57997, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19111-7997.

4. Permanent and temporary wear of the MUC for military personnel is governed by the provisions of AR 670-1.

5. This correspondence will serve as authorization for the award of the MUC to be annotated to military personnel records, pending announcement in Department of the Army General Orders.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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CMH, ATTN: DAMH-FPO
By direction of the Secretary of the Army, the Meritorious Unit Commendation is awarded to:

716TH MILITARY POLICE BATTALION
101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION

for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service:

During the period of 25 April 2003 to 2 February 2004, the 716th Military Police Battalion displayed exceptionally meritorious conduct while in support of the 1st Force Service Support Group, 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, the Multi-National Division (Central South), the Combined Joint Task Force 7, and the United States Army during Operation Iraqi Freedom in southern Iraq. The Battalion achieved exceptional success in multiple and complex missions, especially in support of major combat operations and establishing a legitimate Iraqi Police Service and providing a safe and secure environment for the Iraqi people. The officers, noncommissioned officers, and Soldiers of the 716th Military Police Battalion displayed heroic and often valorous professional skills while demonstrating an exemplary esprit de corps in execution of their numerous and varied missions, many of which exceeded their requirements and capabilities. The extraordinary support, remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 716th Military Police Battalion reflect great credit upon themselves, the Military Police Corps Regiment, and the United States Army.