



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND  
1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE, DEPARTMENT 480  
FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

PERMANENT ORDER 145-25

24 May 2012

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Battalion, 321st Field Artillery Regiment  
Battery B, 2d Battalion, 321st Field Artillery Regiment  
Company B, 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry Regiment (less Detachment for the period  
28 August 2009 to 25 August 2010)  
Troop A, 4th Squadron, 73d Cavalry Regiment  
Company G, 782d Support Battalion  
Detachment, Company A, 2d Battalion, 508th Infantry Regiment  
Detachment, Company A, 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry Regiment

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award

Period of service: 25 August 2009 to 25 August 2010

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14

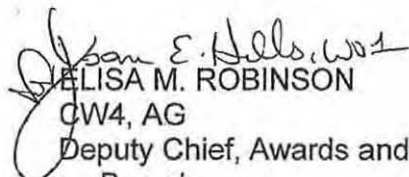
Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 25 August 2009 to 25 August 2010, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Battalion, 321st Field Artillery Regiment and its subordinate units displayed outstanding meritorious performance in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Assigned as "Task Force Professional," the unit went above and beyond the call of duty during operations in Regional Command-West, Afghanistan, to include Herat, Badghis and Ghor provinces. The actions of the unit accounted for countless enemy killed in action while restoring hope to the people of western Afghanistan, who had been under the oppressive rule of the Taliban. The courageous actions of Task Force Professional jump-started a new and revived Joint Coalition presence that became pivotal for the success of future continuous operations in the area. The collective actions of the Paratroopers of Task Force Professional during this time frame exemplified the characteristics of a phenomenal maneuver task force and are in keeping with the highest military traditions. The actions of Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Battalion, 321st Field Artillery Regiment and its subordinate units bring great credit upon the 4th Brigade Combat Team, the 82d Airborne Division 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

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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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