



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

PERMANENT ORDER 121-02

1 May 2013

Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 192d Ordnance Battalion
716th Ordnance Company (10 September 2011 to 4 June 2012)
749th Ordnance Company (10 September 2011 to 20 June 2012)
741st Ordnance Company (5 March 2012 to 9 September 2012)
966 OL-B Flight (31 December 2011 to 16 June 2012)
787th Ordnance Company (24 January 2012 to 9 September 2012)
Afghanistan Captured Material Exploitation

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 10 September 2011 to 9 September 2012

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 10 September 2011 to 9 September 2012, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 192d Ordnance Battalion and the cited units functioned as Joint Task Force South in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The units' arrival in the Afghanistan Theater of Operations resulted in an immediate impact on the enemy's ability to effectively employ improvised explosive devices against coalition and Afghan Forces. Comprised of a 54 member headquarters element, four Army explosive ordnance disposal companies, one Air Force explosive ordnance disposal flight, one Navy explosive ordnance disposal platoon and one Slovakian explosive ordnance disposal team, the Battalion commanded and controlled counter improvised explosive device tactical and technical elements dispersed throughout 36 forward operating bases. They provided a proactive and flexible force designed to defeat, target and neutralize enemy emplaced improvised explosive devices and insurgent networks. Their combined efforts resulted in a full spectrum approach that denied the enemy of implementing primary tactics and techniques of deploying and employing improvised explosive devices. The actions of the 192d Ordnance Battalion are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon the unit, Combined Joint Task Force Paladin 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),

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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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