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

PERMANENT ORDER 224-09

12 August 2013

2d Engineer Battalion
40th Engineer Company

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 12 April 2010 to 15 April 2011

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 12 April 2010 to 15 April 2011, the 2d Engineer Battalion and the cited unit demonstrated exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom as the only engineer battalion providing the full spectrum of engineer support to two United States brigade combat teams, five United States task forces, three German task forces, two Afghan National Army Corps, an Afghan National Police Regiment and three international provincial reconstruction teams from Germany, Sweden and Hungary. While assigned to Regional Command-North, the 2d Engineer Battalion and the cited unit directly engaged and defeated enemies of a free Afghanistan and assured the mobility of International Security Assistance Forces and Afghan National Security Forces across a significant portion of Afghanistan. The contributions of the units were decidedly unique and critical to the Presidential Expansion of Forces in Afghanistan, ultimately contributing to a strategic shift in momentum towards allied forces and against the enemy. Through their willingness to accept and excel at solving the most complex engineer challenges across an unparalleled expanse of the battle space, the 2d Engineer Battalion and the cited unit brought distinct credit upon themselves, Regional Command-North, the International Security Assistance Force Joint Command, the United States Forces-Afghanistan, the Department of Defense 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

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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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