



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

PERMANENT ORDER 016-07

16 January 2015

1st Battalion, 14th Field Artillery Regiment
578th Support Company

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 21 April 2013 to 16 January 2014

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 21 April 2013 to 16 January 2014, 1st Battalion, 14th Field Artillery Regiment and the cited unit displayed exceptionally meritorious achievement and exemplary service during Operation Enduring Freedom and Spartan Shield, from their headquarters in the United Arab Emirates. The units' presence afforded the Army Central Commander with long range, precision surface to surface indirect fires in support of numerous regional contingency plans. The units' close interaction with the Field Artillery Headquarters magnified the effectiveness the battalion offered United States Army Central. The units also partnered for training with Emirati Land Forces and enhanced the theater for future deployments to Minhad Air Base, which provided Senior United States and United Arab Emirates strategic leaders with a baseline of operator level familiarity and competence to expand upon the military relationship between the two countries. The units trained vigorously throughout the deployment by supporting and executing a multitude of small arms ranges available only through our strong partnership with the Australians. A complete certification and qualification of two high mobility artillery rocket system batteries while still maintaining full operational capability in the United Arab Emirates, Soldier sustainment training that emphasized military occupational specialty and country specific tasks expected of every mission ready Soldier. While maintaining focus on an intense training cycle, the units also remained prepared to mobilize by air in support of United States Army Central. The units' efforts to "enhance the theater" resulted in a better place for Soldiers to live, work and train on Minhad Air Base. The Battalion was the first high mobility artillery rocket system unit to conduct a multiple launch rocket system live fire exercise alongside Emirate Field Artillery Forces in United Arab Emirates soil, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Spartan Shield. The units created a better quality of life by ensuring the placement of resources to improve the force protection, maintenance and sustainment capabilities of Minhad Air Base. The 1st Battalion, 14th Field Artillery Regiment and the cited unit's outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest of traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon themselves and the United States Army.

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