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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

AAMH-FPO (600-8-22)

04 October 2011

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Commander, U.S. Army Tank-Automotive and Armaments Command,
Clothing and Heraldry Product Support Integration Directorate, 700 Robbins Avenue,
P.O. Box 57997, Philadelphia, PA 19111-7997

Chief, Awards and Decorations Branch, U.S. Army Human Resources Command,
ATTN: AHRC-PDP-A, 1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Ft. Knox, KY 40122

SUBJECT: Meritorious Unit Commendation [HQ, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division]

1. Reference U.S. Army Human Resources Command (HRC) Permanent Order 264-04, dated 21 September 2011 [received 03 October 2011].

2. The U.S. Army Center of Military History (CMH) has received information provided by the HRC regarding the unit(s) intended for recognition in this decoration for the period 07 April 2008 to 19 March 2009. Based on HRC's authorizations, and whenever feasible, CMH is providing official designations for recognized unit(s), and, per its responsibilities under ARS 600-8-22 and 840-10, verifying entitlement to an appropriately inscribed decoration streamer as indicated below. Also indicated is the correct streamer size (if authorized), and authorization for a streamer to be issued with an earned-honor device (i.e., a laurel wreath) which applies only to certain combat arms units. In those cases where the unit designation provided by HRC cannot be verified as belonging to any unit currently listed on the official rolls of the Army (which are maintained by CMH under ARS 870-5 and 220-5), no further action will be taken by CMH and no streamer will be authorized at this time (see final paragraph). The same is true if official authorization for an organizational flag or guidon is unknown. If appropriate, the table below also indicates any unit entitled to a decoration streamer, but which is currently inactive and unavailable to receive a streamer.

PO	Designation	Official Designation	Current Status	Streamer	Inscription
Headquarters, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division	Same	Active	Flag	AFGHANISTAN 2008-2009	
Special Troops Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division	Same	Active	Flag	AFGHANISTAN 2008-2009	
1st Battalion, 508th Infantry Regiment	Same	Active	Flag [w E-HD]	AFGHANISTAN 2008-2009	
20 Battalion, 506th Infantry Regiment	Same	Active	Flag [w E-HD]	AFGHANISTAN 2008-2009	
1st Squadron, 81st Cavalry Regiment	Same	Active	Flag [w E-HD]	AFGHANISTAN 2008-2009	
4th Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment	Same	Active	Flag [w E-HD]	AFGHANISTAN 2008-2009	
801st Support Battalion	Same	Active	Flag	AFGHANISTAN 2008-2009	

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PO	Designation	Official Designation	Current Status	Streamer	Inscription
Provincial Reconstruction Team Gardex (Provisional)	Unverifiable	Unknown	None	n/a	
Provincial Reconstruction Team Garzin (Provisional)	Unverifiable	Unknown	None	n/a	
Provincial Reconstruction Team Khost (Provisional)	Unverifiable	Unknown	None	n/a	
Provincial Reconstruction Team Sharama (Provisional)	Unverifiable	Unknown	None	n/a	
Texas Agribusiness Development Team (Provisional)	Agricultural Development Team (Provisional), Texas Army National Guard	Unknown	None	n/a	

3. As indicated above, TACOM is authorized to provide appropriately embroidered decoration streamer(s) to HRC's Awards and Decorations Branch who will make distribution to each authorized unit. Streamer authorization is based solely upon unit recognition information provided by HRC. Therefore, issuance of a streamer at this time does not necessarily confer permanent unit entitlement. Final determination regarding entitlement to display the streamer remains with CMH who will determine each unit's lineage and honors (for MTOE organizations). As with similar War on Terrorism decorations, organic guidon-bearing elements recognized with their battalion (or squadron) headquarters are not authorized to display the honor separately from the battalion's colors. Recognizing the operational conventions of the Army Modular Force designs, however, comparable unit awards earned separately by a battalion's organic companies will not pass to the parent battalion's colors or duplicate its honors. In addition, any approved or pending award independently earned by another (or company) honor and may guidon-bearing elements will not be considered a duplication of a battalion (or company) honor which has been displayed on the appropriate company guidon. Where appropriate, these cases are indicated by including months in the streamer inscriptions for the organic guidon-bearing element which has been recognized separately from its parent organization. Furthermore, because there have been significant problems with much of the source material (particularly period of service dates), this memorandum should not be used to officially confirm whether or not a unit participated in any particular action or deployment. Period of service dates have been provided by HRC, and CMH assumes that any recognized dates not reflecting periods of service pre-dating the submission of the award nomination or recognition duplicating other unit awards were approved as an exception to policy. Deployment and mobilization dates (correct or otherwise) which may conflict with regulatory guidance for this decoration will also be considered as an exception to policy. HRC, however, may later alter the recognized period of service list above, should be addressed to HRC's Awards and Decorations Branch [trc.laigd.awards@conus.army.mil]

4. This memo (or subsequent communication from this office) constitutes the only authorized verification of entitlement for this award's decoration streamers. Organizations with questions regarding issues specific to this memo may contact the POC for this action through CMH-Awards@conus.army.mil.

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