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1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE
FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

PERMANENT ORDERS 130-02

10 May 2011

Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 31st Air
Defense Artillery Brigade

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 3 August 2009 to 20 July 2010

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 3 August 2009 to 20 July 2010, the Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 31st Air Defense Artillery Brigade displayed exceptionally meritorious service while stationed in Qatar in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit provided outstanding support to two patriot battalions while conducting air and missile defense operations across the United States Central Command area of responsibility. The unit was fully integrated with United States Army Central, United States Air Force Central and United States Navy Central as well as Coalition missile defense forces. The Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 31st Air Defense Artillery Brigade sustained combat power across four countries and built an enduring patriot theater sustainment architecture. The exemplary performance of the Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 31st Air Defense Artillery Brigade's Soldiers is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon the unit, United States Army Central and the United States Army.

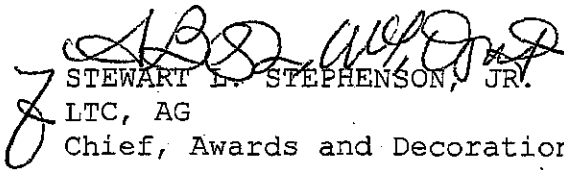
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Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization(s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is 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

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streamers will then be manufactured and sent to the U.S. Army
Human Resources Command for automatic distribution to the units
concerned.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:


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