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I—DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of an Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 and amended 25 July 1963, the Distinguished Service Cross for extraordinary heroism in action is awarded to:

Captain Walter T. Holmes, 68th Bombardment Squadron, 44th Bombardment Group (H), European Theater of Operations on 1 August 1943, while serving as the squadron’s Operations Officer in aerial combat operations over the Ploesti Oil Refineries of Rumania. Captain Holmes piloted a lead aircraft in a formation of B-24 type aircraft that attacked a highly important oil refinery at extremely low altitude. Because of the nature of the target, it was imperative the lead pilot follow an exact course to and over the target. Some fifteen miles before reaching the objective, Captain Holmes’ aircraft was subjected to heavy point blank anti-aircraft and machine-gun fire. Knowing that evasive action would disrupt the close flying formation, Captain Holmes, thinking only of the complete destruction of his separate target ahead, and with complete disregard for personal risk of life, kept fast to the course, leading his formation through fire and smoke straight over the target. His courageous determination and exceptional piloting skill resulted in the successful and full destruction of his target. Captain Holmes’ actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon him, the 44th Bombardment Group, and the United States Army.

II—LEGION OF MERIT.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of an Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (**Degree of Officer**) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Major General Georgios Bardamaskos, Hellenic Armed Forces, July 2005 to July 2006. This order supersedes United States Army Human Resources Command, Permanent Order 361-13, dated 27 December 2007.

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III—VALOROUS UNIT AWARD. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14, the Valorous Unit Award is awarded to the following units of the Armed Forces of the United States for extraordinary heroism while engaged in military operations during the period indicated:

3D ARMORED CAVALRY

25 April 2003 to 18 September 2003
(to include the following assigned or attached units)

66TH MILITARY INTELLIGENCE COMPANY
43D ENGINEER COMPANY
89TH CHEMICAL COMPANY
2D BATTALION, 5TH FIELD ARTILLERY
16TH SIGNAL BATTALION
1ST BATTALION, 124TH INFANTRY
122D ENGINEER BATTALION
COMPANY B, 890TH ENGINEER BATTALION
248TH ENGINEER COMPANY
957TH ENGINEER COMPANY
1308TH ENGINEER DETACHMENT
1151ST ENGINEER DETACHMENT
323D ENGINEER DETACHMENT
94TH MILITARY POLICE COMPANY
DETACHMENT, 361ST PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS COMPANY
DETACHMENT B, 490TH CIVIL AFFAIRS BATTALION
DETACHMENT D, 502D PERSONNEL SERVICES BATTALION
DETACHMENT D, 4TH FINANCE BATTALION
350TH PUBLIC AFFAIRS DETACHMENT
DETACHMENT, 834TH ADJUTANT GENERAL COMPANY
761ST ORDNANCE COMPANY
2133D TRANSPORTATION COMPANY
DETACHMENT, COMPANY F, 106TH AVIATION
COMPANY G, 285TH AVIATION
571ST MEDICAL COMPANY

**HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY,
1ST BRIGADE, 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION**

15 April 2003 to 15 March 2004
(to include the following assigned or attached units)

TROOP G, 10TH CAVALRY
1ST BATTALION, 22D INFANTRY
1ST BATTALION, 66TH ARMOR
3D BATTALION, 66TH ARMOR
4TH BATTALION, 42D FIELD ARTILLERY
4TH SUPPORT BATTALION
COMPANY A, 1ST BATTALION, 4TH AVIATION
COMPANY A, 104TH MILITARY INTELLIGENCE BATTALION
COMPANY A, 124TH SIGNAL BATTALION
1ST PLATOON, 4TH MILITARY POLICE COMPANY

DETACHMENT, 418TH CIVIL AFFAIRS BATTALION
362D PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS COMPANY
DETACHMENT, 519TH MILITARY INTELLIGENCE BATTALION
DETACHMENT, 610TH ENGINEER DETACHMENT

**1ST BATTALION, 1ST AVIATION (LESS COMPANY A
FOR THE PERIOD OF 1 OCTOBER 2004 TO 1 NOVEMBER 2004)**
5 February 2004 to 15 February 2005

IV—MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15, the Meritorious Unit Commendation is awarded to the following units of the United States Army for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated:

**HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT,
744TH MILITARY POLICE BATTALION**
21 March 2003 to 4 April 2004
(to include the following assigned or attached units)

79TH MILITARY POLICE COMPANY
(14 April 2003 to 4 April 2004)
186TH MILITARY POLICE COMPANY
(15 November 2003 to 1 April 2004)

2D BATTALION, 27TH INFANTRY
1 March 2004 to 1 April 2005

22D PUBLIC AFFAIRS DETACHMENT
31 December 2004 to 22 November 2005

258TH SUPPORT CENTER
25 September 2006 to 9 September 2007

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, XVIII AIRBORNE CORPS
10 February 2005 to 19 January 2006
(to include the following assigned or attached unit)

DETACHMENT, 392D CHEMICAL COMPANY

124TH SIGNAL BATTALION
1 April 2003 to 31 October 2003
(to include the following assigned or attached units)

534TH SIGNAL COMPANY
COMPANY A, 16TH SIGNAL BATTALION
COMPANY C, 50TH SIGNAL BATTALION
COMPANY C, 234TH SIGNAL BATTALION

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**HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY,
2D BRIGADE, 10TH MOUNTAIN DIVISION**

17 June 2004 to 17 June 2005

**HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY,
AVIATION BRIGADE, 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION**

7 November 2005 to 7 November 2006

(to include the following assigned or attached units)

**HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY,
1ST BATTALION, 4TH AVIATION REGIMENT**

(7 November 2005 to 7 November 2006)

**HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY,
2D BATTALION, 4TH AVIATION REGIMENT**

(7 November 2005 to 7 November 2006)

**HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY,
404TH SUPPORT BATTALION**

(7 November 2005 to 7 November 2006)

**HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY,
3D BATTALION, 4TH AVIATION REGIMENT**

(7 December 2005 to 7 November 2006)

**HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY,
4TH BATTALION, 4TH AVIATION REGIMENT**

(7 December 2005 to 7 November 2006)

V—ARMY SUPERIOR UNIT AWARD. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-16, the Army Superior Unit Award is awarded to the following units of the Armed Forces of the United States for meritorious service in connection with difficult and challenging missions during peacetime:

1ST BATTALION, 357TH REGIMENT

11 September 2001 to 1 August 2002

UNITED STATES ARMY DIVE COMPANY (PROVISIONAL)

1 January 2005 to 31 December 2005

(to include the following assigned or attached units)

74TH ENGINEER DETACHMENT

86TH ENGINEER DETACHMENT

511TH ENGINEER DETACHMENT


544TH ENGINEER DETACHMENT

569TH ENGINEER DETACHMENT

By Order of the Secretary of the Army:

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