

THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY WASHINGTON

The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION to

I MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For exceptionally meritorious service during Operations DESERT SHIELD and DESERT STORM from 14 August 1990 to 16 April 1991. An imminent Iraqi invasion of Saudi Arabia was deterred when the 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade made the first Maritime Prepositioning Combat Deployment in history; moving 15,248 personnel, 194 aircraft, 548 tanks and heavy weapons, and more than 11,000 tons of supplies 12,000 miles in less than a week. During the next three months intensive training in the harsh desert prepared I Marine Expeditionary Force (I MEF) for combat action. On 17 January the 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing initiated Marine participation Operation DESERT STORM. Marine aircraft flew 8,910 sorties and dropped 14,864 tons of ordnance while interdicting Iraqi command, control, and communications systems, striking strategic targets, isolating the future battlefield, and destroying Iraqi fortifications, weapons, and vehicles. The 1st and 2d Marine Divisions and the Direct Support Command secretly moved 100 kilometers west to occupy forward bases and assembly areas. Amphibious demonstrations held more than 50,000 Iragis in static positions. From 18 to 23 February, Marine units entered Kuwait by stealth to prepare the battlefield. Combat engineers breached extensive minefields and barriers to allow mechanized forces, to swiftly penetrate enemy defenses. I MEF severed lines communication, destroyed or captured enemy forces, aided the liberation of Kuwait City and then assumed defensive positions. The 1st Force Service Support Group and the Direct Support Command delivered more than 75,000 tons of supplies to forward units and detained 22,308 enemy prisoners of war. In 100 hours, I MEF won a stunning victory, captured all assigned objectives, destroyed 1,040 enemy tanks, 608 armored personnel carriers, and 432 artillery pieces. By their valiant fighting spirit, professional competence, and relentless devotion to duty, I Marine Expeditionary Force reflected great credit upon themselves and upheld the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

For the President

Secretary of the Navy

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 INFO CMC WASHINGTON DC///M-RA//
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FM CMC WASHINGTON DC//M-RA//
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    ALMAR
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 INFO CNO WASHINGTON DC//D9B//
                                        MCRSC OVERLAND PARK KS
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      CDRPERSCOM ALEXANDRIA VA//TAPC-PDA//
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      NATL PERS REC CEN MIL PERS REC GSA ST LOUIS MO
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      BUPERS WASHINGTON DC//PERS313C//
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     MSGDFT :MEMB PORT AU PRINCE HA
                                                                                     4TH MAR (-)
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                                                                                          3D BN. 7TH MAR
ALMAR 282/92
                                                                                     7TH MAR (-)
MSGID/GENADMIN/CMC/MH//
                                                                                          HQ CO, 7TH MAR
SUBJ/MCBUL 1650. AWARDS UPDATE//
                                                                                          1ST BN, 5TH MAR
REF/A/DOC/CMC MHM/01APR85//
                                                                                          1ST BN. 7TH MAR
REF/B/DOC/SECNAV/OBAUG91//
                                                                                          3D TANK BN (-)
NARR/REF A IS MCO 1650.27G. UNIT AWARDS MANUAL. REF B 1S SECNAVINST
                                                                                          HO SVC CO. 3D TANK BN
1650.1F, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS AWARDS MANUAL.//
                                                                                          CO A, 3D TANK BN
POC/MR MCCUE/GS8/PRIPHN:226-2043/PRIFRQ:226-2063/MHM-3//
                                                                                          CO B, 3D TANK BN
AKNLDG/-//
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RMKS/1. THE PURPOSE OF THIS BULLETIN IS TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE OF
                                                                                          CO D, 3D TANK BN
AWARDS.
                                                                                          ANTI-TANK TOW CO. 3D TANK BN
    THE FOLLOWING UNIT AWARDS ARE AUTHORIZED AND WILL BE INCORPORATED
                                                                                     11TH MAR (-)
INTO THE NEXT REVISION OF REF A:
                                                                                         HQ BTRY, 11TH MAR
   AS PROVIDED BY REF B. NO UNIT OR PART THEREOF MAY BE AWARDED
                                                                                         1ST BN. 11TH MAR (-
MORE
                                                                                         BTRY A. 1ST BN. 11TH MAR
THAN ONE UNIT AWARD, REGARDLESS OF TYPE, FOR THE SAME ACT OR SERVICE.
                                                                                         BTRY H. 3D BN. 14TH MAR
                          JOINT MERITORIOUS UNIT AWARD
                                                                                         BTRY I, 3D BN, 14TH MAR
U.S. MILITARY GRP, EL SALVADOR
                                                                                     3D BN, 11TH MAR (-)
01JAN90-16JAN92
                                                                                         HQ BTRY, 3D BN, 11TH MAR
                             NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION
                                                                                         BTRY G, 3D BN, 11TH MAR
I MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE
                                                         14AUG90-16APR91
                                                                                         BTRY H. 3D BN. 11TH MAR
    (PARTICIPATING UNITS)
                                                                                         BTRY E, 20 BN, 12TH MAR
    I MEF, CMD ELM
                                                                                     5TH BN. 11TH MAR
        HQ SVC CO. I MEF
                                                                                         HQ BTRY, 5TH BN, 11TH MAR
BTRY Q, 5TH BN, 11TH MAR
         JOINT/COMBINED LIAISON TEAMS
    1ST SRIG
                                                                                         BTRY R. 5TH BN. 11TH MAR
        HQ CO
                                                                                         BTRY S, 5TH BN, 11TH MAR
        8TH COMM BN
                                                                                         BTRY T. 5TH BN. 11TH MAR
        9TH COMM BN
                                                                                     1ST BN. 12TH MAR (-)
        1ST RPV CO
                                                                                         HQ BTRY, 1ST BN, 12TH MAR
        2D RPV CO
                                                                                         BTRY A, 1ST BN, 12TH MAR
        1ST ANGLICO
                                                                                         BTRY C, 1ST BN, 12TH MAR
BTRY F, 2D BN, 12TH MAR
        2D ANGLICO (-)
        4TH ANGLICO (-)
                                                                                     3D BN, 12TH MAR (-)
        1ST INTEL CO
                                                                                         HQ BTRY, 3D BN, 12TH MAR
        1ST FORCE RECON CO
                                                                                         BTRY B, 1ST BN, 10TH MAR
        2D FORCE RECON CO (-)
                                                                                 BT
        4TH FORCE RECON CO (-)
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    CBT REPLACEMENT REGT
                                                                                         BTRY F. 2D BN, 10TH MAR
BTRY I, 3D BN, 14TH MAR
        24TH MAR (-)
        HQ SVC CO
                                                                                     1ST LAI BN (-)
                                                                                         HQ SVC CO, 1ST LAI BN
        2D BN, 24TH MAR
        3D BN, 24TH MAR
                                                                                         CO A, 1ST LAI BN
        3D CAG (-)
                                                                                         CO C. 1ST LAI BN
        1ST RAD BN (-)
                                                                                         DET. 3D LAI BN
        2D RAD BN (-)
                                                                                              HO SVC CO. 3D LAI BN
    1ST MARDIV
                                                                                             CO B. 3D LAI BN
        HQ BN. 1ST MARDIV
                                                                                             CO C. 3D LAI BN
                                                                                     1ST RECON BN (-)
        DET, 1ST SRIG, I MEF
        DET, MASS-3 (DASC)
                                                                                         HO SVC CO. 1ST RECON BN
        DET, 3D CAG
                                                                                         CO A, 1ST RECON BN
    1ST MAR (-)
                                                                                         CO B, 1ST RECON BN
        HO CO. 1ST MAR
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        1ST BN, 1ST MAR
                                                                                         CO A. 3D RECON BN
        3D BN. 9TH MAR
                                                                                         1ST PLT. CO C. 3D RECON BN
        1ST TANK BN
                                                                                     1ST BN. 25TH MAR
                                                                                         HQ SVC CO. 1ST BN. 25TH MAR
CMC WASH DC
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       M-RA(1)
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INFO
       MM(6) MH(4) TFK CK(1)
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BTRY M, 4TH BN, 14TH MAR
    WPNS CO, 1ST BN, 25TH MAR
3D ASLT PHIB BN
                                                                                          2D BN (-), 12TH MAR
                                                                                              HQ BTRY, 2D BN, 12TH MAR
    HO SVC CO. 3D ASLT PHIB BN
    CO A, 3D ASLT PHIB BN
                                                                                              BTRY B, 1ST BN, 12TH MAR
    CO B, 3D ASLT PHIB BN
CO C, 3D ASLT PHIB BN
                                                                                              BTRY D, 2D BN, 12TH MAR
                                                                                              BTRY L, 4TH BN, 12TH MAR
    CO D, 3D ASLT PHIB BN
                                                                                          2D ASLT PHIB BN (-)
1ST CBT ENGR BN (-)
                                                                                              HQ SVC CO, 4TH ASLT PHIB BN
    HQ SVC CO, 1ST CBT ENGR BN
                                                                                          2D CBT ENGR BN (-)
    CO A. 1ST CBT ENGR BN
                                                                                              CO C, 3D CBT ENGR BN
    CO C, 1ST CBT ENGR BN
    CO A, 3D CBT ENGR BN
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    ENGR SPT CO. 1ST CBT ENGR BN
                                                                                              CO B, 8TH ENGR SPT BN (DS)
2D MARDIV
                                                                                          2D LAI BN (-)
    HQ BN (-)
                                                                                              1ST SECT, 2D PLT, BTRY B (-), 2D LAAD (DS)
    MP CO, HQ BN. 4TH MARDIV
                                                                                          2D RECON BN (-)
                                                                                              CO D. 4TH RECON BN (TF TROY)
    TRK CO, HQ BN, 4TH MARDIV
    CO A, MARBKS, 8TH AND I
                                                                                          1ST FSSG, HQ
    NBC PLT. SVC CO, 4TH FSSG DET, 4TH CAG (DS)
                                                                                              HQ SVC BN
    2D RAD BN (-), 1ST SRIG (GS I MEF)
                                                                                              2D SUP BN (-)
    BTRY B (-), 2D LAAD BN (DS)

2D PLT (-), BTRY B (-), 2D LAAD BN (DS)

4TH SECT, 1ST PLT, BTRY B (-), 2D LAAD BN (DS)
                                                                                              2D MAINT BN (-)
                                                                                              6TH MT BN (-)
                                                                                              1ST LSB (-)
    AT (TOW) CO (-), 4TH TANK BN (GS)
DET, MASS-3 (ASE)
                                                                                              7TH ENGR SPT BN (-)
                                                                                              8TH ENGR SPT BN (-)
         DET, 8TH COMM BN
                                                                                              1ST MED BN (-)
         DET, MWSS-374
                                                                                              1ST DENTAL BN (-)
         DET. ITU, 1ST SRIG (GS I MEF)
                                                                                              2D DENTAL BN (-)
         DET, SCAMP, 1ST SRIG (GS I MEF)
                                                                                              2D MED BN (-)
         DET. CIT. 1ST SRIG (GS I MEF)
                                                                                              7TH MT BN (-)
                                                                                         HQ, GEN SPT GRP-1
    DIV TM, 2D ANGLICO, 1ST SRIG (GS I MEF)
    SF LN TM (GS)
                                                                                         HQ, GEN SPT GRP-2
    5TH SSCT, FMFLANT
                                                                                          DET. 2D LSB
6TH MAR (-)
                                                                                              CSSD-131
    CO B (-), 2D RAD BN (-), 1ST SRIG (GS I MEF)

1ST PLT, BTRY B (-), 2D LAAD BN (DS)

2D SECT, 1STPLT, BTRY B (-), 2D LAAD BN (DS)

2D SECT, 2D PLT, BTRY B (-), 2D LAAD BN (DS)
                                                                                              CSSD-132
                                                                                              CSSD-10
                                                                                              CSSD-82
         2D SECT, 2D PLT, BTRY B (-), 2D LAAD BN
                                                                                              CSSD-91
    DET. 4TH CAG
                                                                                              CSSD-133
    DET, TRK CO. HQ BN, 4TH MARDIV
                                                                                              MCSSD-11
    DET, ITU, 1ST SRIG (GS I MEF)
DET, 2D CIT PLT, 1ST SRIG (GS I MEF)
                                                                                              MCSSD-13
                                                                                              MCSSD-17
1ST BN. 8TH MAR (-)
                                                                                         BSSG-1
    CO B. 4TH TANK BN
                                                                                          2D FSSG
    DET, 8TH TANK BN
DET, AT (TOW) CO
                                                                                              HQ SVC BN (-)
                                                                                              7TH ENGR SPT BN (
8TH TANK BN (-)
                                                                                               BTH ENGR SPT BN (-)
    HQ SVC CO, 8TH TANK BN
                                                                                              8TH MT BN (-)
                                                                                               2D MED BN (-)
         DET, 2D ANGLICO, 1ST SRIG
                                                                                              DET, 2D LSB
    CO B
                                                                                              DET. 2D MAINT BN
    COC
                                                                                              DET, 2D SUP BN
    AT (TOW) CO
TASK FORCE BREACH ALPHA
                                                                                              CSSD-10
    CO D. 4TH CBT ENGR BN
                                                                                              CSSD-11
        DET, 8TH TANK BN
                                                                                               CSSD-13
8TH MAR (-)
                                                                                              CSSD-17
    2 SECT, AT (TOW) CO. 4TH TANK BN
                                                                                          DSG-2 (BSSG-6 NUCLEUS)
    CO A (-), 2D RAD BN, 1ST SRIG (GS I MEF)
3D SECT, 1ST PLT, BTRY B, 2D LAAD BN (DS)
                                                                                              MCSSD-26
                                                                                              MCSSD-28 (MSSG-22 NUCLEUS)
    DET, TRK CO, HQ BN, 4TH MARDIV
                                                                                          5TH MEB
    DET, 4TH CAG
    DET, 1TU, 1ST SRIG (GS I MEF)
DET, 2D CI PLT, 1ST SRIG (GS I MEF)
                                                                                                   HQ, 5TH MEB
                                                                                                   5TH SRIG
    3D BN, 23D MAR
                                                                                              GND CBT ELM
     CO C. 4TH TANK BN
                                                                                                   RLT-5
    CO B (-), 4TH ASLT PHIB BN
CO B, 4TH CBT ENGR BN
                                                                                                   11TH MEU
                                                                                                   13TH MEU
10TH MAR (-)
                                                                                               AIR CBT ELM
     1ST SECT, 1ST PLT, BTRY B (-), 2D LAAD BN (DS)
                                                                                                   MAG-50
     DET, HQ BTRY, 14TH MAR
                                                                                                   MALS-50
    DET, AN/TPQ-37 RADAR TM
                                                                                                   HMM-285
    BTRY D, 2D BN, 14TH MAR
                                                                                                   HMM-268
    BTRY H, 3D BN, 12TH MAR
    BTRY F, 2D BN, 14TH MAR
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    BTRY K, 4TH BN, 14TH MAR
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VMA-513 (DET B)	MWHS-3
CSSE BSSG-5	7TH MEB
3D MAW	CMD ELM
MAG-11	HQ SVC CO, 7TH MEB
MALS-11	3D RPV CO
VMFA-212	4TH FAST PLT 6TH CIT
VMFA-232	13TH CIT
VMFA-235	AIR CBT ELM
VMFA-314	MAG-70
VMFA-333	MACS-1
VMFA-451 VMFA(AW)-121	VMA(AW)-242
VMA(AW)-224	HML/A-269
VMA(AW)-533	CSSE BSSG-7
VMAQ-2	SUPPORT FORCES
VMGR-352	CMD ELM
VMGR-252, DET A	HQ SVC CO DET, I MEF (REAR)
VMGR-452 MAG-13 (FWD)	IMA DET, I MEF
MALS-14	SRIG (REAR)
VMA-231	9TH COMM BN (REAR)
VMA-311	3D ANGLICO (-) 4TH FORCE RECON CO (-)
VMA-542	DET, ITT
VMA-513, DET A	DET, CIT
VMO-1	GND CBT ELM
VMO-2 MAG-16	HQ BN, 1ST MARDIV (REAR)
MALS-16	AIR CBT ELM
HMM-161	HQ ELM
HMM-165	MWHS-3 (REAR) MAG-46
HMH-462	MAG-11 (REAR), EL TORO
HMH-463	MALS-11 (REAR)
HMH-465 HMH-466	VMFA-323
HML/A-367	VMFA(AM)-242
HML/A=359	DET, VMGR-352
7TH COMM BN. DET 1	VMAT-101 MAG-16 (REAR), TUSTIN
MAG-26	MALS-16 (REAR)
MAG-26, PERS SPT DET	HMM-166
HMM-261 HMM-266	HMM-764
HMM-774	HMH-361
HMH-362 (-)	HMT-301 HMT-302
BT	MAG-13 (REAR), YUMA
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HMH (ALAMEDA)	VMA-211
HMH-464 HML-767	VMA-214
HMA-775	MAG-39, CAMPEN
MALS-29	MALS-39 (-) HML-771
MWSG-37	HML-776
HQHQRON-37	DET C, VMO-2
MWSS-174	HMT-303
MWSS-271 MWSS-273	MWSG-37 (REIN) (REAR), EL TORO
MWSS-373	DET, HQHQRON-37
MWSS-374	MWSS-371, YUMA
MACG-38	MWSS-372, CAMPEN MWSS-373 (REAR), EL TORO
HQHQRON-38	MNSS-173, 29 PALMS
HQHQRON-28, DET	DET C, MWSS-472, EL TORO
MACS-2	MACG-38 4-) (REIN) (REAR). EL TORO
MACS-6, DET MATCS-38	DET A, HQHQRON-38, EL TORO
MASS-1, DET	MACS-1, CAMPEN
MATC-28.DET I	DET, MASS-3, CAMPEN
MATC-18, DET B	CSSE MACS-7 (-), YUMA
MWCS-38	DET, HQ SVC BN, 1ST FSSG
MWCS-28, DET B	1ST DENTAL BN (-)
MWCS-18, DET	1ST SUP BN (-)
MASS-3	1ST MAINT BN (-)
MASS-6, DET C	DET, 7TH MT BN
2D LAAM BN 3D LAAM BN	DET, 7TH ENGR SPT BN
2D LAAD BN	DET, 1ST LSB
3D LAAD BN	DET, 1ST MED BN CSSD-12
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CSSD-14
        CSSD-16
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        CSSD-41
    15TH MEU
        BLT 1/9
        MSSG-15
        HMM-163
    U.S. NAVAL UNITS
        3D NAV CONSTRUCTION REGIMENT
            NAV MOBILE CONSTRUCTION BN 1. DETAIL 46
             NAV MOBILE CONSTRUCTION BN 4
            NAV MOBILE CONSTRUCTION BN 5
             NAV MOBILE CONSTRUCTION BN 7
             NAV MOBILE CONSTRUCTION BN 24
             NAV MOBILE CONSTRUCTION BN 40
             NAV MOBILE COSNIRUCTION BN 74
             NAV MOBILE CONSTRUCTION FORCE SUPPORT UNIT 4, DET A
             UNDERWATER CONSTRUCTION TEAM 2. AIR DET B
             CMDR. NAV CONSTRUCTION BN. USPACELT FWD DEP
             NAV SUPPORT GRP 1 (7TH MEB)
             NAVAL BEACH GRP 1 (7TH MEB)
             NAV CARGO HANDLING AND PORT GRP, WILLIAMSBURG, VA
                 (7TH MEB)
             DET. AMPHIBIOUS CONSTRUCTION BN 1 (7TH MEB)
             DET, ASSAULT CRAFT UNIT 1 (7TH MEB)
DET, BEACH MASTER UNIT 1 (7TH MEB)
    U.S. ARMY UNITS
         9TH PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS GRP
             DET, 1 MEF CMD ELM
             DET, 1ST MARDIV
             DET, HQ BN, 2D MARDIV
             502D FWD SPT BN (1ST FSSG)
             1-3 FLD ARTY
             HQ BTRY
             BTRY A
             BTRY B
             BTRY C
             BTRY A. 92D FA (MLRS)
         1ST TIGER BDE, 2D ARMORED DIV (-) (2D MARDIV)
             HHC. 1ST BDE, 2D ARMORED DIV
             3/41 INF (MECH)
             1-67 ARMOR
             3-67 ARMOR
         CO A. 17TH ENGR BN (2D MARDIV)
             BTRY B (-), 4-5 ADA BN
1/2/B, 522D MI BN (GSR)
             1/502D MP CO
             2D PLT, CO B, 57TH SIG BN
             142D SIG CO
             1-3 FA
             A/920 FA (MLRS) 502D FSB
                          MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION
                                                          02AUG90-150CT91
     (PARTICIPATING UNITS)
     4TH MAW, HQ STAFF
     MWHS-4
     MAG-41
         MALS-41
         VMFA-112
         VMFA-321
         VMFA-134
         VMGR-234
     MAG-42
         MALS-42
         VMFA-142
         VMA-124
          VMA-322
          VMA-133
          VMA-131
          VMAO-4
          VMGR-452
     MAG-48
          MALS-46
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MAG-49
       MALS-49
       VMO-4
   MWSG-47
       HQHQRON-47
       MWSS-471
       MWSS-472
       MWSS-473
       MWSS-474
   MACG-48
       HQHQRON-48
       MWCS-48
       MATCS-48
        MASS-6
       MACS-23
        MACS-24
        4TH LAAM
        4TH LAAD BN (LESS DEPLOYED PERSONNEL)
   VMFT-401
   MAR RES ORGANIC PROP CNTRL TRNG UNIT, BARSTOW, CA
   NAV MED - ALL NAV MED PERS ATTACHED TO THE ABOVE UNITS DURING
THIS PERIOD
4. MARINE CORPS EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL:
OPERTION SHARP EDGE
                                                       05AUG90-21FFB91
    (ADDITIONAL PARTICIPATING UNIT)
    5TH FAST PLT, MCSF BN
   HUMANITARIAN SERVICE MEDAL (HSM): ONLY THOSE PERSONNEL WHOSE
NAMES WERE SUBMITTED ON THE HSM RECOMMENDATION ARE AUTHORIZED THE
AWARD FOR THE FOLLOWING APPROVED OPERATION:
JOINT TASK FORCE GUANTANAMO BAY (HAITIAN MIGRANTS RELIEF)
    (INCREMENT THREE)
                                                       01MAY92-30JUN92
    THIS BULLETIN IS APPLICABLE TO THE MARINE CORPS RESERVE
   THIS BULLETIN IS CANCELED WHEN INCORPORATED INTO REF A. AND FOR
RECORD PURPOSE ONLY ON 30 SEP 93.// BT
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UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

I MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, FMF CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA 92055-5400

IN REPLY REFER TO:

1650 SSEC

27 DEC 1991

From: Commanding General, I Marine Expeditionary Force To: Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific

Subj: RECOMMENDATION FOR NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION

Ref: (a) SECNAVINST 1650.1E

Encl: (1) Proposed Citation (2) Summary of Action

(3) List of Participating Units

- 1. In accordance with the provisions of the reference, I recommend that the I Marine Expeditionary Force be awarded the Navy Unit Commendation for extraordinary heroism and outstanding performance of duty in action against Iraqi Forces in Saudi Arabia and Kuwait during the period 14 August 1990 to 16 April 1991.
- 2. Enclosure (1) is the Proposed Citation. Enclosure (2) is the Summary Of Action to support the recommendation.
- 3. Enclosure (3) contains a list of units comprising I Marine Expeditionary Force during the period covered by this recommendation. Only one of the organizations comprising I Marine Expeditionary Force presently holds a unit citation or has been recommended for a unit citation for the period of this recommendation. NavCent has recommended, and the Secretary of the Navy approved, the Fifth Marine Expeditionary Brigade for a Navy Unit Commendation for its achievements prior to its participation ashore in Operation Desert Storm.
- 4. 92,990 personnel were assigned to I Marine Expeditionary Force during the period of the recommendation.
- 5. The facts in the Proposed Citation and the Summary of Action are known to me or are supported by situation reports, after action reports, command chronologies, or other official reports.
- 6. During Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, the I Marine Expeditionary Force conducted a rapid deployment halfway around the world, successfully defended Saudi Arabia from aggression, planned a brilliant offensive operation, deceived the enemy as to the location of the attack, conducted an air campaign to locate and destroy enemy forces in its area of operations, breached two extensive enemy obstacle belts, swiftly penetrated Iraqi defenses, destroyed enemy forces in its zone, liberated Kuwait, and secured it from further attack.

Subj: RECOMMENDATION FOR NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION

The Marines destroyed 1,040 enemy tanks, 608 armored personnel carriers, 432 artillery pieces, and captured in excess of 20,000 prisoners of war. Deception operations and amphibious demonstrations held more than 50,000 Iraqis in static positions along the Persian Gulf Coast.

R. B. Johnston



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

HEADQUARTERS, FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC CAMP H. M. SMITH, HI 96861 - 5001

1650 7E1 17 Jan 92

FIRST ENDORSEMENT on CG I MEF ltr 1650 SSEC of 27 Dec 91

From:

Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific

To:

Secretary of the Navy (NDBDM)

Via:

(1) Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet (0041G)

(2) Commandant of the Marine Corps (MHM-2)

(3) Department of the Army (TAPC-PDA)

(4) Chief of Naval Operations (09B33)

Subj:

RECOMMENDATION FOR NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION

1. Forwarded, highly recommending approval.

2. The members of I Marine Expeditionary Force have written a new chapter in history by their extraordinary heroism and outstanding performance of duty during this turbulent and critical surge period.

ROYAL N. MOORE, JR.

Copy to:

CG, I MEF

CG, 1st MarDiv

CG, 1st FSSG

CG, 2d MarDiv

CG, 2d FSSG

CG, 3d MAW

CG, 1st MEB

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

COMMANDER IN CHIEF UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII 96860-7000

IN REPLY REFER TO

Ser 004/ 1270 18 FE: 1950

SECOND ENDORSEMENT on CG I MEF ltr 1650 SSEC of 27 Dec 91

From: Commander in Chief U.S. Pacific Fleet

To:

Secretary of the Navy (NDBDM)

Via:

(1) Commander in Chief, U.S. Central Command

(2) Department of the Army (DAPCALA)

(3) Commandant of the Marine Corps (MHM-2)

RECOMMENDATION FOR NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION Subi:

1. Readdressed and forwarded, recommending approval of the Navy Unit Commendation for personnel attached to I Marine Expeditionary Force for extraordinary heroism and outstanding performance of duty from 14 August 1990 to 16 April 1991.

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The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION to

I MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For extraordinary heroism and outstanding performance of duty in Southwest Asia during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm from 14 August 1990 to 16 April 1991. An imminent Iraqi invasion of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia was deterred when the 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade made the first Maritime Prepositioning combat deployment in history, moving 15,248 personnel, 194 aircraft, 548 tanks and heavy weapons, and more than 11,000 tons of supplies 12,000 miles in less than one week. Marine units manned forward defensive positions to protect the Al Jubayl Vital Area. The next three months were devoted to intense training in the harsh desert environment as I Marine Expeditionary Force increased its combat power in preparation for offensive actions. Units of I MEF relocated to Manifa Bay, Safaniya, Ras Al Mishab, Kibrit, and Al Khanjar to support an impending ground offensive. During that time I MEF reorganized and frequently changed its planned scheme of maneuver. On 17 January 1991 aircraft of the 3d Marine Aircraft Wing initiated Marine participation in Operation Desert Storm. Marine aircraft flew 8,910 sorties and dropped 14,864 tons of ordnance while interdicting Iraqi command, control, and communications systems, striking strategic targets, isolating the future battlefield, and destroying Iraqi fortifications, weapons, and vehicles. In late January Marine air and ground units repelled several Iraqi attacks during the Battle of Khafji. The 1st and 2d Marine Divisions and the Direct Support Command secretly moved more than 100 kilometers west to occupy forward bases and assembly areas prior to the ground offensive. They masked these movements by elaborate deception operations conducted by psychological warfare teams and Task Force Troy. Amphibious demonstrations held more than 50,000 Iraqis in static positions. From 18-23 February 1991, Marine units entered Kuwait by stealth to prepare the battlefield. On 24 February 1991 the 1st and 2nd Marine Divisions executed a brilliant attack, defeating a numerically superior opponent in less than 100 hours. Combat engineers breached extensive minefields and barriers to allow mechanized forces, supported by artillery and aircraft, to swiftly penetrate enemy defenses. I MEF severed lines of communication, destroyed or captured enemy forces, aided the liberation of Kuwait City, and then assumed defensive positions to repel future attacks. The 3d Marine Aircraft Wing flew 2,544 sorties in support of maneuver units. The 5th Marine Expeditionary Brigade manned critical defensive positions as MEF reserve. The 1st Force Service Support Group and the Direct Support Command delivered more than 75,000 tons of supplies to forward units and detained 22,308 enemy prisoners of war. In 100 hours I MEF won a stunning victory, captured all assigned objectives, destroyed 1,040 enemy tanks, 608 armored personnel carriers, and 432 artillery pieces. The valiant fighting spirit, relentless perseverance, professional competence, and individual heroism of the Marines of I Marine Expeditionary Force were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

SUMMARY OF ACTION

On 2 August 1990 Iraqi forces invaded Kuwait. President George Bush, acting to deter further aggression, ordered American armed forces into action. On 7 August 1990 General Colin L. Powell, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, issued orders initiating Operation Desert Shield to defend the Persian Gulf. On 10 August General H. Norman Schwarzkopf, Commander in Chief, U.S. Central Command, called for the Marines. The 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade (7th MEB) deployed from its desert base at Twentynine Palms, California on 12 August. Its Marines and Sailors flew from the United States to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia where they received combat equipment from five ships of Maritime Prepositioning Squadron 2 (MPSRon-2) that sailed from Diego Garcia, an atoll in the Indian Ocean. At about the same time, the ships of MPSRon-3 departed the Capacific island of Guam to rendezvous with 1st MEB. The seaborne 4th MEB steamed from Morehead City, North Carolina at flank speed. By 25 August there were 15,248 Marines in Southwest Asia, supported by 123 tanks, 425 heavy weapons, and 124 fixed and rotary wing aircraft. The 7th MEB was comprised of a command element, Regimental Landing Team 7 (RLT-7), Marine Air Group 70 (MAG-70), and Brigade Service Support Group 7 (BSSG-7). The Marines replaced a U.S. Army airborne brigade defending the Al Jubayl Vital Area, including an international airport, a deep-water commercial seaport, and covered storage areas. The Marines established a mobile defense-in-depth to block the only highway link between Jubayl and Manifa Bay. They were the first US forces in Saudi Arabia that could establish a credible defense against the Iraqi threat. The logistics effort was devoted to moving forces into Southwest Asia, establishing bases and supply points, and securing personnel and installations from terrorist attack. The 1st Force Service Support Group (1st FSSG), formed by compositing BSSG-1 and BSSG-7, was reinforced by four naval mobile construction battalions that later united to form the 3d Naval Construction Regiment (3d NCR). Desert Shield was the first operational test of the maritime prepositioning strategy formulated in the wake of the Iranian hostage crisis. It worked very well. In threeLweeks the initial Marine Air-Ground Task Force moved a screening force into viable defensive positions, established base camps, made liaison with host nation forces, constructed hospitals and airfields, acquired a live fire training area, and flew 5,363.5 hours without an operational mishap.

On 2 September 1990 I Marine Expeditionary Force (I MEF) assumed operational control of all Marine Forces in Central Command's theater of operations. Like 1st FSSG, I MEF was formed by compositing staffs. In this case, those of the 1st and 7th MEBs. By 6 September 1990 all elements of I MEF were functioning in Saudi Arabia: I MEF Headquarters was the command element; the 1st Marine Division was the ground combat element, the 3d Marine Air Wing was the air combat element, and 1st Force Service Support Group was the combat service support element. By the end of November almost one-quarter of the active-duty Marine Corps (comprising one-fifth of the total U. S.

force) was in Saudi Arabia. More than 31,000 Marines and British 7 Armor Brigade --- the famed Desert Rats of El Alamein --- were under I MEF's operational control. Saddam Hussein's refusal to withdraw from Kuwait caused President Bush to increase American forces in Southwest On 13 November 1990 a callup of Selected Marine Corps units began. Soon, Reservists from the 4th Marine Division, the 4th Marine Air Wing, and 4th Force Service Support Group prepared to join volunteer Reservists already overseas. A large-scale combined amphibious exercise labeled "Imminent Thunder" was conducted. The 1st FSSG was reorganized to better support Marine field forces. A general support group, a direct support group, and a support group headquarters were established. The Seabees of 3d NCR spent their time improving camp habitability and supporting 3d MAW operations by constructing airstrips, ordnance supply points, and taxiways. December brought further increases in I MEF's combat power. December, the 5th MEB departed San Diego, California on board the ships of Amphibious Group Three. Thirteen ships carried the Marines of RLT-5, MAG-50, and BSSG-50. This was the largest amphibious task force since the Inchon Landing in Korea in 1950. It added 7,445 more Marines to American forces in the Persian Gulf. On 10 December 1990 a large crowd of spectators bade "Godspeed" to more than 24,000 Marines deploying to Southwest Asia. Most were from the 2d Marine Division, the 2d Marine Air Wing, and 2d Force Service Support Group. When these units arrived in Southwest Asia, I MEF became the largest single Marine combat unit in history. In January, 7 Armour Brigade rejoined its parent unit, 1 Armour Division (United Kingdom), and moved west to join the U.S. VII Corps. The Desert Rats were replaced by the U.S. Army's 1st Brigade, 2d Armored Division Brigade") with its potent array of M1A1 tanks, Bradley armored fighting vehicles, and Multiple Launch Rocket Systems (MLRS). When the 2d FSSG arrived in Saudi the two service support groups merged and were reorganized to provide more efficient support. They became the Direct Support Command (2d FSSG nucleus) and the General Support Command (1st FSSG nucleus). With offensive operations imminent the logistic effort focused on the buildup and distribution of units to support anticipated operations. As the 15 January deadline approached, maneuver units deployed near the Kuwait border, air efforts intensified, MEF Headquarters moved north to Safaniya, and support bases were established at Mishab, Kibrit, and Al Khanjar. Task Force Troy was created to conduct deception activities to confuse the Iraqis. Attack plans were frequently changed to reflect the latest enemy dispositions or upgraded Marine combat capabilities. Intense intelligence gathering pinpointed areas of weakness. A last minute influx of combat engineer equipment made it possible to conduct a simultaneous two division breach of enemy minefields. This reduced the funnel effect and eliminated the need for a complex passage of lines.

The air war opened at 0400 on 17 January 1991. The main objectives of the air campaign were to gain air superiority, knock out enemy strategic weapons (particularly SCUD missiles which were harassing Jubayl, Damman, and Riyadh), interdict lines of communication, and disrupt Iraqi command, control, and communications systems. As the air war progressed the aircraft of the 3d MAW began striking tactical targets to "shape the battlefield." During the five-week air war the 3d MAW flew 8,910 sorties, accumulated more than 18,000 hours in the

air, and dropped 14,864 short tons of ordnance. These strikes destroyed at least 300 Iraqi vehicles and blew up the Iraqi III Corps Headquarters. Post-war intelligence indicated more than 50% of Iraqi frontline troops were attrited. From 29-31 January 1991 the 3d MAW flew in support of coalition forces fighting a series of engagements that collectively became known as the Battle of Khafji. The Wing also supported numerous artillery raids along the Iraqi border.

Marines conducted raids to keep the Iraqis off balance, but the Battle of Khafji was the first major engagement of the ground war. It was not a single battle, but was actually a series of engagements to repel an Iraqi reconnaissance in force. Saddam Hussein, blinded by lack of intelligence, was desperate to discover Allied dispositions and intentions. Deprived of the sophisticated sources he enjoyed while fighting Iran, he ordered his commanders to take drastic measures. On the evening of 29 January 1991, three Iraqi mechanized forces burst across the Saudi border. Inland, in the vicinity of Umm Hajul, Marine LAV-25s, TOW-mounted HMMWVs, Cobra gunships, and close air support engaged two enemy columns. Facing a combined arms attack unlike any previously experienced, the Iraqis retreated, but the cost to them was high. The Iraqis lost at least two dozen tanks. Eleven Marines were killed in action. Along the coast, an Iragi armored brigade advanced toward the deserted town of Khafji. Remotely Piloted Vehicles spotted movement and alerted Coalition forces manning a thin line of outposts along the Saudi-Kuwaiti border. The Marines called for fire, then fell back. Reconnaissance and ANGLICO teams from the 1st Reconnaissance, Surveillance, and Intelligence Group (1st SRIG) and Task Force Taro coordinated supporting arms for the Saudi and Qatari forces that mounted a counterattack. Inside Khafji a Marine fire control team stubbornly held its rooftop positions even though Iraqi troops occupied the lower floors of the building. Highly-trained ANGLICO fire control teams accompanied Coalition forces. Their normal mission was to direct air and naval gunfire support, but at Khafji they wound up maneuvering Saudi and Qatari units because of their superior communications and detailed knowledge of the situation. Teams from Task Force Taro directed close fire, then Later fought during house-to-house clearing operations. military analysts felt the Allied victory at Khafji was accomplished more by the efforts of the Marines than due to the actions of any other Coalition force. Also at the end of January the 13th MEU (SOC) carried out Desert Sting, an amphibious raid on Maradim Island. The 4th and 5th MEBs conducted Sea Soldier IV, a landing exercise at Ras Madrakah, Oman in early February. These exercises were part of an amphibious deception.

In mid-February the 2d Marine Division secretly moved from defensive positions along the coast to staging areas more than 100 kilometers inland. This movement was masked by elaborate deception operations. The reason for the move was a new attack plan designed to strike the vulnerable "heel" area between the Al Wafrah and Umm Gadir oilfields. This bold action was possible because of phenomenal efforts to relocate forward supply bases. In what was arguably the most difficult logistic feat in Marine Corps history, the Direct Support Command left its base at Kibrit and built a new one from barren desert at Al Khanjar. The new base covered 768 acres with 24 miles of protective berms. It held the largest cellular Ammunition

Supply Point in Marine Corp's history, a water supply point of almost 800,000 gallons, fuel storage for 5.2 million gallons (the largest POL farm in Marine Corps history), and was the home of Landing Zone Lonesome Dove. To offset a lack of allied heavy motor transport, third country nationals driving privately-owned tractor-trailers were hired to move supplies. They were assisted by Reservists from 6th Motor Transport Battalion. This cooperative effort was called "Saudi Motors;" and the transport of supplies over rough, dusty roads was called the "Baghdad Express." The pinpoint accuracy and awesome destructive power of the 3d MAW's aircraft, the resilience of Marine ground forces, and round-the-clock logistics preparations paved the way for a successful Marine ground assault on 24 February 1991. part of the "battlefield shaping" efforts of I MEF reconnaissance teams were deployed inside Kuwait on 18 February 1991. Task Forces Taro (3d Marines) and Grizzly (4th Marines) and the 2d Light Armored Infantry Battalion slipped through the first minefield belts and assumed blocking positions at the edges of the proposed breach sites between 21 and 23 February. Most movements were undetected, but some resistance developed and sharp fighting broke out on the eve of the aground assault. The tactical air effort was narrowly focused in the days before the ground assault. Iraqi artillery pieces, dual-purpose antiaircraft guns, enemy tanks, and field fortifications were targeted. Intelligence sources estimated that the Iraqi forward line of troops had been reduced to less than 50% of its strength through - - casualties and desertions. However, on the opposite side of President Bush's line in the sand, the Marines were "good to go." The weather was perfect to mask an attack. A driving rainstorm inundated the area keeping the Iraqis inside their protective bunkers and heavy cloud cover shrouded the attack zone in inky-black darkness. It was time to strike.

> Just before dawn on 24 February, the 1st Marine Division moved forward under cover of an increasing crescendo of supporting arms. Combat engineers fired line charges into the minefields; then, drove armored dozers forward into the breach. Flail dozers, tank dozers, and engineer amphibian vehicles followed to widen lanes and clear remaining mines. Close behind, mechanized Task Forces Ripper (7th Marines) and Papa Bear (1st Marines) poured into the narrow openings. The first barrier was quickly breached. Task Force Shepherd (1st LAI Battalion) rushed into Al Wafrah and Al Burgan oilfields to screen the main attack. Enemy artillery and direct fire was answered by allied air and suppressive fire. After passing the last obstacle, Task Force Ripper raced toward Al Jaber Airfield. Task Force Papa Bear met stiff resistance near the Burgan oilfield, where it Marine attack slowed when the wind shifted and low hanging clouds turned day into night. The evening hours of G-Day found Task Force Ripper in overwatch positions that dominated Al Jaber Airfield, TF Papa Bear defended the Burgan oilfield, and TF Shepherd screened the right flank.

> At about 0530 the same day, the 6th Marines entered the first obstacle belt to the familiar refrain of the "Marine's Hymn" blaring from loudspeakers of the U.S. Army's 9th Psychological Warfare Group. Using similar mine clearing techniques, but very different control measures, the 2d Marine Division poured through the obstacle belts. The 8th Marines were assigned the right flank (adjoining the 1st

Marine Division), the 6th Marines had the center, and the U.S. Army's Tiger Brigade was given a free hand to maneuver along the wide-open left flank. The division's objectives were to move up a hard surface road toward Kuwait City, secure an area known as the "Ice Cube Tray," then move north to capture a key road junction in the suburban city of Al Jarah. From there, the division had a dual mission. First, to protect against an attack from Iraq; and second, to prevent the escape of enemy forces. Reports of an Iraqi armored column speeding south from Kuwait City filled the air waves, so the division consolidated in hasty defensive positions. During the ensuing fight, the Iraqis were pinned by direct fire from maneuver units, indirect fire by the 10th Marines, and aerial attack by the 3d MAW's Harriers, Hornets, and Sea Cobras. By the end of the day, an Iraqi brigade was destroyed, its commander a prisoner, and 35 enemy tanks captured.

The 3d MAW flew 671 sorties in support of I MEF on G-Day. Its aircraft struck six Iraqi divisions, destroyed more than 150 enemy fighting vehicles, neutralized antiaircraft sites, and blasted missile launch sites. Marines of the Direct and General Support Commands worked round-the-clock to keep I MEF supplied. The 5th MEB rapidly transitioned from its strategic amphibious role and began a total offload of its thirteen ships within hours after chopping to I MEF from NavCent. Initially the I MEF reserve, the 5th MEB cleared Al Wafrah forest of bypassed troop concentrations, guarded lines of communication and enemy prisoners of war, secured the southern flank, and stood ready to counterattack anywhere in theater from the air, sea, or ground. The Marine G-Day attack elated Central Command Headquarters by its speedy success. General Schwarzkopf ordered the main attack nearly 24 hours ahead of schedule. The first day of Desert Storm was a smashing success, and the audacious attack by the Marines had been the springboard.

During the night of 24-25 February 1991, it was obvious the Iraqis were planning a counterattack. The resulting battle in the vicinity of a wooded area known as the "Emir's Farm" was the largest clash of armor in Marine Corps history. A large Iraqi armored force burst-out of the Burgan oilfield to strike Task Forces Ripper and The Marines quickly knocked out several tanks and about 30 Shepherd. armored personnel carriers. The main enemy thrust was directed at Task Force Papa Bear. Sharp fighting occurred throughout the morning 5 hours with many close combat engagements. About 100 enemy armored fighting vehicles were destroyed and more than 1,500 enemy prisoners of war taken. During the fighting a Reserve artillery battery destroyed an Iraqi tank, a howitzer, and two multiple rocket launchers with direct fire. As soon as the enemy was repelled, the division transitioned to the attack. Task Force Grizzly captured Al Jaber Airfield and Task Force Shepherd defeated an Iragi mechanized battalion.

The 2d Marine Division moved north from Al Abdallya toward an industrial complex labeled the "Ice Cube Tray" and destroyed 248 tanks and captured 4,500 Iraqis. On 25 February (G+1) the 3 MAW flew 460 strikes, destroyed about 70 armored vehicles and artillery pieces, and neutralized more antiaircraft and missile sites. In a moment unique in military history, Iraqi soldiers waved white flags at circling RPVs, surrendering to unmanned aerial vehicles. An

amphibious demonstration by the 4th MEB held Iraqi forces in place near the coastal city of Ash Shuaybah. The deception was so successful that the defenders fired several Silkworm missiles. Information at that time even suggested that the Iraqi high command ordered another division moved to defend the area. Once again the Marine attack exceeded the most optimistic estimates.

On 26 February, I MEF advanced against moderate resistance. The 1st Marine Division captured Kuwait International Airport, destroying more than 300 enemy tanks (about 70 were Soviet-made T-72 main battle tanks, the best in the Iraqi inventory). The 2d Marine Division secured the vital road junction at Al Jahra by 1600 and the Tiger Brigade sat astride Mutla Ridge which dominated the six-lane expressway running from Basrah to Kuwait City. The Iraqis lost 166 tanks and 4,200 prisoners to the 2d Marine Division on G+2. The 3d MAW continued its support, concentrating on enemy armor in the vicinity of Al Jahra and Kuwait International Airport. The combat service support elements kept pushing supplies forward and moving EPWs to the rear. The 5th MEB occupied Al Jaber Airfield and assisted prisoner control efforts. The 4th MEB threatened Bubiyan and Faylaka Islands during its second amphibious feint in two days.

The heroes of G+3 (27 February 1991) were the 3d MAW and 2d Reconnaissance Battalion. The 1st Marine Division completed its capture of Kuwait International Airport and occupied defensive positions overlooking the "Ring" Roads that skirted Kuwait City. The 2d Marine Division defended Al Jahra and Mutla Ridge, trapping panic-stricken Iraqis along a stretch of road that became known as the "Highway to Hell," or "Death Valley." The 3d MAW flew more than 200 sorties as it pounded Iraqi armored columns vainly trying to flee Kuwait. A mass of vehicles burned, testimony to the effectiveness of the Marine air-ground team and the aircraft wing. The number of destroyed vehicles on Route 6 was more than 600. Inside Kuwait City a reconnaissance team established an observation post inside the American Embassy. An elaborate sand table showing the Iraqi preparations for an amphibious assault confirmed the effectiveness of the Marine threat from the sea. Although the 4th and 5th MEB never actually assaulted Kuwait's beaches, they pinned more than six Iraqi divisions to positions along the coast.

At 0800 on 28 February 1991, Marine offensive combat operations stopped. General Schwarzkopf ordered a cease fire throughout the KTO. When the conflict ended, the 1st and 2d Marine Divisions held all assigned objectives and had destroyed or captured most Iraqi forces in their respective zones. The remaining Iraqis continued a hurried retreat. The 3d MAW provided resupply and medical evacuation support. The 5th MEB was directed to clear the Al Wafrah forest of remaining enemy stragglers on its way back to the ships. logistic support commands continued resupply and prisoner of war handling, but future concerns included explosive ordnance disposal and retrograde operations. The final tally sheet showed 92,990 Marines (24 infantry battalions, 40 Marine air squadrons, and two service support groups) were committed. They completely routed at least seven divisions of the fourth largest army in the world, destroyed 1,040 tanks, 608 armored personnel carriers, 432 artillery pieces, and captured 22,308 enemy. Operation Desert Storm was one

the largest gathering of Marine combat power since World War II. It was the first use of a Maritime Prepositioning Force in combat. Desert Shield and Desert Storm showed the flexibility of Marine Air Ground Task Force organization. Two Marine Divisions, two air wings and two service support groups united to form a single effective unit. The MEF tripled in size and integrated more than 11,000 Reservists during its deployment. Desert Storm was the combat baptism of many new weapon systems: the F/A-18 Hornet, the AV-8B Harrier II, Remotely Piloted Vehicles, and the M1A1 Main Battle Tank to name but a few. It was the first combat test of Maneuver Warfare Doctrine.

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List of Participating Units

I Marine Expeditionary Force, Command Element

Headquarters and Service Company, I MEF Joint/Combined Liaison Teams

1st Surveillance, Reconnaissance, and Intelligence Group

Headquarters Company
8th Communications Battalion
9th Communications Battalion
1st Remotely Piloted Vehicle Company
2d Remotely Piloted Vehicle Company
1st Air and Naval Gunfire Liaison Company
2d Air and Naval Gunfire Liaison Company (-)
4th Air and Naval Gunfire Liaison Company (-)

1st Intelligence Company 1st Force Reconnaissance Company 2d Force Reconnaissance Company (-) 4th Force Reconnaissance Company (-)

Combat Replacement Regiment

24th Marine Regiment (-)
Headquarters and Service Company
2d Battalion, 24th Marines
3d Battalion, 24th Marines
3d Civil Affairs Group (-)
1st Radio Battalion (-)
2d Radio Battalion (-)

1st Marine Division

1st Marine Division (-)

Headquarters Battalion, 1st Marine Division
Det, 1st Surveillance, Reconnaissance, Intelligence Group, I
MEF
Det, Marine Air Support Squadron - 3 (DASC)
Det, 3d Civil Affairs Group

1st Marine Regiment (-)

Headquarters Company, 1st Marines
1st Battalion, 1st Marines
3d Battalion, 9th Marines
1st Tank Battalion
 Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Tank Battalion
 A Company, 1st Tank Battalion
 B Company, 1st Tank Battalion
 C Company, 1st Tank Battalion
 C Company, 1st Tank Battalion
 D Company, 1st Tank Battalion
 Anti-Tank TOW Company
 TOW Platoon, Headquarters Company, 5th Marines

3d Marine Regiment

Headquarters Company, 3d Marines 1st Battalion, 3d Marines 2d Battalion, 3d Marines 3d Battalion, 3d Marines

4th Marine Regiment (-)

Headquarters and Service Company, 4th Marines 2d Battalion, 7th Marines 3d Battalion, 7th Marines

7th Marine Regiment (-)

Headquarters Company, 7th Marines 1st Battalion, 5th Marines 1st Battalion, 7th Marines 3d Tank Battalion (-)

Headquarters and Service Company, 3d Tank Battalion A Company, 3d Tank Battalion

B Company, 3d Tank Battalion

C Company, 3d Tank Battalion

D Company, 2d Tank Battalion

Anti-Tank TOW Company, 3d Tank Battalion

11th Marine Regiment (-)

Headquarters Battery, 11th Marines 1st Battalion, 11th Marines (-)

A Battery, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines

H Battery, 3d Battalion, 14th Marines

I Battery, 3d Battalion, 14th Marines

3d Battalion, 11th Marines (-)

Headquarters Battery, 3d Battalion, 11th Marines

G Battery, 3d Battalion, 11th Marines

H Battery, 3d Battalion, 11th Marines

E Battery, 2d Battalion, 12th Marines

5th Battalion, 11th Marines

Headquarters Battery, 5th Battalion, 11th Marines

Q Battery, 5th Battalion, 11th Marines

R Battery, 5th Battalion, 11th Marines S Battery, 5th Battalion, 11th Marines

T Battery, 5th Battalion, 11th Marines

1st Battalion, 12th Marines (-)

Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marines

A Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marines

C Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marines

F Battery, 2d Battalion, 12th Marines

3d Battalion, 12th Marines (-)

Headquarters Battery, 3d Battalion, 11th Marines

B Battery, 1st Battalion, 10th Marines

F Battery, 2d Battalion, 10th Marines

I Battery, 3d Battalion, 14th Marines

1st Light Armored Infantry Battalion (-)

Headquarters and Service Company, 1st LAI Battalion

A Company, 1st LAI Battalion

C Company, 1st LAI Battalion

Det, 3d Light Armored Infantry Battalion

Headquarters and Service Company, 3d LAI Battalion

B Company, 3d LAI Battalion

C Company, 3d LAI Battalion

1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)

Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion

A Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion

B Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion C Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion

A Company, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion

1st Platoon, C Company, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion

1st Battalion, 25th Marines

Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Battalion, 25th Marines

- A Company, 1st Battalion, 25th Marines
- B Company, 1st Battalion, 25th Marines C Company, 1st Battalion, 25th Marines
- Weapons Company, 1st Battalion, 25th Marines

3d Assault Amphibian Battalion

Headquarters and Service Company, 3d Assault Amphibian Battalion

- A Company, 3d Assault Amphibian Battalion
- B Company, 3d Assault Amphibian Battalion
- C Company, 3d Assault Amphibian Battalion
- D Company, 3d Assault Amphibian Battalion

1st Combat Engineer Battalion (-)

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Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Combat Engineer Battalion

- A Company, 1st Combat Engineer Battalion
- C Company, 1st Combat Engineer Battalion
- A Company, 3d Combat Engineer Battalion
- Engineer Support Company, 1st Combat Engineer Battalion

2d Marine Division

Headquarters Battalion (-)

MP CO, HqBn, 4th MarDiv
Trk CO, HqBn, 4th MarDiv
CO A, Marine Barracks, 8th and I
NBC Plt, Svc Co, 4th FSSG Det, 4th CAG (DS)
2d Radio Bn (-) 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)
Btry B (-) 2d LAAD Bn (DS)
2d Plt (-) Btry B (-), 2d LAAD Bn (DS)
4th Sect, 1st Plt, Btry B (-), 2d LAAD Bn
(DS)

AT (TOW) CO (-), 4th Tank Bn (GS)

Det, MASS-3 (ASE)

Det, 8th CommBn

Det, MWSS-374

Det, ITU, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)

Det, SCAMP, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)

Det, CIT, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)

Div Tm, 2d ANGLICO, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)

SF Ln Tm (GS)

5th SSCT, FMFLant

6th Marines (-)

CO B (-), 2d Radio Bn (-) 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)

1st Plt, Btry B (-) 2d LAAD Bn (DS)

2d SECT, 1st Plt, Btry B (-), 2d LAAD Bn (DS)

2d SECT, 2d Plt, Btry B (-), 2d LAAD Bn

Det, 4th CAG

Det, Trk CO, HqBn, 4th MarDiv

Det, ITU, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)

Det, 2d CIT Plt, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)

1st Battalion, 8th Marines (-)

CO B, 4th Tank Bn Det, 8th Tank Bn Det, AT (TOW) CO

8th Tank Battalion (-)

HQSVCCO, 8th Tank Bn
Det, 2d ANGLICO, 1st SRIG
CO A
CO B

CO C

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AT (TOW) CO

Task Force Breach Alpha

CO D, 4th Combat Engineer Battalion Det, 8th Tank Bn

8th Marines (-)

2 SECT, AT (TOW) CO, 4th Tank Bn
CO A (-), 2d Radio Bn, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)
3d SECT, 1st Plt, Btry B, 2d LAAD Bn (DS)
Det, Trk CO, HqBn, 4th MarDiv
Det, 4th CAG
Det, ITU, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)
Det, 2d CI Plt, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)
3d Bn, 23d Marines
CO B, (-), 4th AA Bn
CO B, 4th Combat Engineer Battalion

10th Marines (-)

1st SECT, 1st Plt, Btry B (-), 2d LAAD Bn (DS)
Det, HqBtry, 14th Marines
Det, AN/TPQ-37 Radar Tm
Btry D, 2/14
Btry H, 3/12
Btry F, 2/14
Btry K, 4/14
Btry M, 4/14
2d Bn (-) 12th Marines
HqBtry, 2/12
Btry B, 1/12
Btry D, 2/12

2d Assault Amphibian Battalion (-)

Btry L, 4/12

HqSvcCo, 4th AA Bn

2d Combat Engineer Battalion (-)

CO C, 3d CEB CO B, 8th Engr Spt Bn (DS)

2d Light Armored Infantry Battalion (-)

1st SECT, 2d Plt, Btry B (-), 2d LAAD (DS)

2d Reconnaissance Battalion (-)

CO D, 4th Recon Bn (TF TROY)

1st Force Service Support Group

1st Force Service Support Group Headquarters

Headquarters and Service Battalion 2d Supply Battalion (-) 2d Maintenance Battalion (-) 6th Motor Transport Battalion (-) 1st Landing Support Battalion (-) 7th Engineer Support Battalion (-) 8th Engineer Support Battalion (-) 1st Medical Battalion (-) 1st Dental Battalion (-) 2d Dental Battalion (-) 2d Medical Battalion (-) 7th Motor Transport Battalion (-)

Headquarters, General Support Group 1

Headquarters, General Support Group 2

Detachment, 2d Landing Support Battalion

CSSD-131

CSSD-132

CSSD-10

CSSD-82

CSSD-91

CSSD-133

MCSSD-11

MCSSD-13

MCSSD-17

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Brigade Service Support Group 1

2d Forcé Service Support Group

Headquarters and Service Battalion (-)

7th Engineer Support Battalion (-)
8th Engineer Support Battalion (-)
2d Medical Battalion (-)
Detachment, 2d Landing Support Battalion
Detachment, 2d Maintenance Battalion
Detachment, 2d Supply Battalion

Direct Support Group - 1

Combat Service Support Detachment - 10 Combat Service Support Detachment - 11 Combat Service Support Detachment - 13 Combat Service Support Detachment - 17

Direct Support Group - 2 (BSSG - 6 Nucleus)

Mobile Combat Service Support Detachment - 26 Mobile Combat Service Support Detachment - 28 (MSSG -22 Nucleus)

5th Marine Expeditionary Brigade

Command Element

Headquarters, 5th Marine Expeditionary Brigade 5th Surveillance, Reconnaissance, and Intelligence Group

Ground Combat Element

Regimental Landing Team - 5 11th Marine Expeditionary unit 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit

Air Combat Element

MAG - 50 MALS - 50 HMM - 265 HMM - 268 HMA - 773 HMLA - 169 Det, MAG - 39 VMA - 513 (Det B)

Combat Service Support Element

Brigade Service Support Group - 5

3d Marine Aircraft Wing

MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 11

Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 11
Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 212
Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 232
Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 235
Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 314
Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 333
Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 451
Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 121 (All Weather)
Marine Attack Squadron (All Weather) 224
Marine Attack Squadron (All Weather) 533
Marine Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron 2
Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 352
Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 252 Det A
Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 452

MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 13 (FORWARD)

Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 14
Marine Attack Squadron 231
Marine Attack Squadron 311
Marine Attack Squadron 542
Marine Attack Squadron 513 Det A
Marine Observation Squadron 1
Marine Observation Squadron 2

MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 16

Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 16
Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 161
Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 165
Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462
Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463
Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 465
Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 466
Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 367
Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 369
7th Communication Battalion Det 1

MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 26

MAG - 26 Personnel Support Detachment
Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 261
Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 266
Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 774
Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 362 (-)
Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron (Alameda)
Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 464
Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 767
Marine Attack Helicopter Squadron 775
Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 29

MARINE WING SUPPORT GROUP 37

Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron 37
Marine Wing Support Squadron 174
Marine Wing Support Squadron 271
Marine Wing Support Squadron 273
Marine Wing Support Squadron 373
Marine Wing Support Squadron 374

MARINE AIR CONTROL GROUP 38

Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron 38 Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron 28 Det Marine Air Control Squadron 2 Marine Air Control Squadron 6 Det Marine Air Traffic Control Squadron 38 Marine Air Support Squadron 1 Det Marine Air Traffic Control Squadron 28 Det I Marine Air Traffic Control Squadron 18 Det B Marine Wing Communications Squadron 38 Marine Wing Communications Squadron 28 Det B Marine Wing Communications Squadron 18 Det Marine Air Support Squadron 3 Marine Air Support Squadron 6 Det C 2d Light Anti-Aircraft Missile Battalion 3d Light Anti-Aircraft Missile Battalion 2d Low Altitude Anti-Air Defense Battalion 3d Low Altitude Anti-Air Defense Battalion

7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade

Command Element

HQSvc Co, 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade 3rd Remotely Piloted Vehicle Company 4th Fleet Antiterrorism Security Team Platoon

Air Combat Element

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Marine Aircraft Group - 70 Marine All Weather Attack Squadron - 242

Combat Service Support Element

Brigade Service Support Group - 7

U.S. Naval Units

3d Naval Construction Regiment

Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 1
Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 4
Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 5
Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 7
Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 24
Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 40
Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 74
Detail 46, Naval Construction Force Support Unit 4
Det A Underwater Construction Team 2
Air Det B Commander, Naval Construction Battalions, U. S.
Pacific Fleet Forward Deployed

U.S. Army Units

9th Psychological Operations Group

Det, I Marine Expeditionary Force Command Element Det, 1st Marine Division Det, Headquarters Battalion, 2d Marine Division

502D Forward Support Battalion (1st FSSG)

1-3 Field Artillery
Hq Btry
Btry A
Btry B
Btry C
Btry A, 92D FA (MLRS)

1st Tiger Brigade, 2d Armored Division (-) (2d MarDiv)

HHC, 1st Bde, 2d Armored Division
3/41 Inf (Mech)
1-67 Armor
3-67 Armor

CO A, 17th Engr Bn (2d MarDiv)

Btry B (-), 4-5 ADA Bn 1/2/B, 522D MI Bn (GSR) 1/502D MP CO 2D Plt, CO B, 57th Signal Bn 142D Signal CO 1-3 FA A/92D FA (MLRS) 502D FSB

List of Participating Units

I Marine Expeditionary Force, Command Element

Headquarters and Service Company, I MEF Joint/Combined Liaison Teams

1st Surveillance, Reconnaissance, and Intelligence Group

Headquarters Company
8th Communications Battalion
9th Communications Battalion
1st Remotely Piloted Vehicle Company
2d Remotely Piloted Vehicle Company
1st Air and Naval Gunfire Liaison Company
2d Air and Naval Gunfire Liaison Company (-)
4th Air and Naval Gunfire Liaison Company (-)

1st Intelligence Company 1st Force Reconnaissance Company 2d Force Reconnaissance Company (-) 4th Force Reconnaissance Company (-)

Combat Replacement Regiment

24th Marine Regiment (-)
Headquarters and Service Company
2d Battalion, 24th Marines
3d Battalion, 24th Marines
3d Civil Affairs Group (-)
1st Radio Battalion (-)
2d Radio Battalion (-)

1st Marine Division

1st Marine Division (-)

Headquarters Battalion, 1st Marine Division Det, 1st Surveillance, Reconnaissance, Intelligence Group, I MEF Det, Marine Air Support Squadron - 3 (DASC) Det, 3d Civil Affairs Group

1st Marine Regiment (-)

Headquarters Company, 1st Marines 1st Battalion, 1st Marines 3d Battalion, 9th Marines 1st Tank Battalion Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Tank Battalion A Company, 1st Tank Battalion B Company, 1st Tank Battalion C Company, 1st Tank Battalion D Company, 1st Tank Battalion Anti-Tank TOW Company TOW Platoon, Headquarters Company, 5th Marines

3d Marine Regiment

Headquarters Company, 3d Marines 1st Battalion, 3d Marines 2d Battalion, 3d Marines 3d Battalion, 3d Marines

4th Marine Regiment (-)

Headquarters and Service Company, 4th Marines 2d Battalion, 7th Marines 3d Battalion, 7th Marines

7th Marine Regiment (-)

Headquarters Company, 7th Marines 1st Battalion, 5th Marines 1st Battalion, 7th Marines 3d Tank Battalion (-)

Headquarters and Service Company, 3d Tank Battalion

A Company, 3d Tank Battalion

B Company, 3d Tank Battalion

C Company, 3d Tank Battalion

D Company, 2d Tank Battalion Anti-Tank TOW Company, 3d Tank Battalion

11th Marine Regiment (-).

Headquarters Battery, 11th Marines 1st Battalion, 11th Marines (-)

A Battery, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines

H Battery, 3d Battalion, 14th Marines

I Battery, 3d Battalion, 14th Marines

3d Battalion, 11th Marines (-)

Headquarters Battery, 3d Battalion, 11th Marines

G Battery, 3d Battalion, 11th Marines

H Battery, 3d Battalion, 11th Marines

E Battery, 2d Battalion, 12th Marines

5th Battalion, 11th Marines

Headquarters Battery, 5th Battalion, 11th Marines

Q Battery, 5th Battalion, 11th Marines

R Battery, 5th Battalion, 11th Marines

S Battery, 5th Battalion, 11th Marines

T Battery, 5th Battalion, 11th Marines

1st Battalion, 12th Marines (-)

Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marines

A Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marines

C Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marines

F Battery, 2d Battalion, 12th Marines

3d Battalion, 12th Marines (-)

Headquarters Battery, 3d Battalion, 11th Marines

B Battery, 1st Battalion, 10th Marines

F Battery, 2d Battalion, 10th Marines

I Battery, 3d Battalion, 14th Marines

1st Light Armored Infantry Battalion (-)

Headquarters and Service Company, 1st LAI Battalion

A Company, 1st LAI Battalion

C Company, 1st LAI Battalion

Det, 3d Light Armored Infantry Battalion

Headquarters and Service Company, 3d LAI Battalion

B Company, 3d LAI Battalion C Company, 3d LAI Battalion

1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)

Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion

A Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion

B Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion

C Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion

A Company, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion

1st Platoon, C Company, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion

1st Battalion, 25th Marines

Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Battalion, 25th Marines A Company, 1st Battalion, 25th Marines B Company, 1st Battalion, 25th Marines C Company, 1st Battalion, 25th Marines

Weapons Company, 1st Battalion, 25th Marines

3d Assault Amphibian Battalion

Headquarters and Service Company, 3d Assault Amphibian Battalion

- A Company, 3d Assault Amphibian Battalion
- B Company, 3d Assault Amphibian Battalion
- C Company, 3d Assault Amphibian Battalion
- D Company, 3d Assault Amphibian Battalion

1st Combat Engineer Battalion (-)

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Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Combat Engineer Battalion

- A Company, 1st Combat Engineer Battalion
- C Company, 1st Combat Engineer Battalion
- A Company, 3d Combat Engineer Battalion
- Engineer Support Company, 1st Combat Engineer Battalion

2d Marine Division

Headquarters Battalion (-)

MP CO, HqBn, 4th MarDiv
Trk CO, HqBn, 4th MarDiv
CO A, Marine Barracks, 8th and I
NBC Plt, Svc Co, 4th FSSG Det, 4th CAG (DS)
2d Radio Bn (-) 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)
Btry B (-) 2d LAAD Bn (DS)
2d Plt (-) Btry B (-), 2d LAAD Bn (DS)
4th Sect, 1st Plt, Btry B (-), 2d LAAD Bn (DS)

AT (TOW) CO (-), 4th Tank Bn (GS)

Det, MASS-3 (ASE) Det, 8th CommBn Det, MWSS-374

Det, ITU, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)
Det, SCAMP, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)
Det, CIT, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)

Div Tm, 2d ANGLICO, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF) SF Ln Tm (GS) 5th SSCT, FMFLant

6th Marines (-)

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CO B (-), 2d Radio Bn (-) 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)

1st Plt, Btry B (-) 2d LAAD Bn (DS)

2d SECT, 1st Plt, Btry B (-), 2d LAAD Bn (DS)

2d SECT, 2d Plt, Btry B (-), 2d LAAD Bn

Det, 4th CAG

Det, Trk CO, HqBn, 4th MarDiv

Det, ITU, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)

Det, 2d CIT Plt, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)

1st Battalion, 8th Marines (-)

CO B, 4th Tank Bn Det, 8th Tank Bn Det, AT (TOW) CO

8th Tank Battalion (-)

HQSVCCO, 8th Tank Bn
Det, 2d ANGLICO, 1st SRIG
CO A
CO B
CO C
AT (TOW) CO

Task Force Breach Alpha

CO D, 4th Combat Engineer Battalion Det, 8th Tank Bn

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2 SECT, AT (TOW) CO, 4th Tank Bn
CO A (-), 2d Radio Bn, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)
3d SECT, 1st Plt, Btry B, 2d LAAD Bn (DS)
Det, Trk CO, HqBn, 4th MarDiv
Det, 4th CAG
Det, ITU, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)
Det, 2d CI Plt, 1st SRIG (GS I MEF)
3d Bn, 23d Marines
CO B, (-), 4th AA Bn
CO B, 4th Combat Engineer Battalion

10th Marines (-)

1st SECT, 1st Plt, Btry B (-), 2d LAAD Bn (DS)
Det, HqBtry, 14th Marines
Det, AN/TPQ-37 Radar Tm
Btry D, 2/14
Btry H, 3/12
Btry F, 2/14
Btry K, 4/14
Btry K, 4/14
Btry M, 4/14
2d Bn (-) 12th Marines
HqBtry, 2/12
Btry B, 1/12
Btry D, 2/12
Btry L, 4/12

2d Assault Amphibian Battalion (-)

HqSvcCo, 4th AA Bn

2d Combat Engineer Battalion (-)

CO C, 3d CEB CO B, 8th Engr Spt Bn (DS)

2d Light Armored Infantry Battalion (-)

1st SECT, 2d Plt, Btry B (-), 2d LAAD (DS)

2d Reconnaissance Battalion (-)

CO D, 4th Recon Bn (TF TROY)

1st Force Service Support Group

1st Force Service Support Group Headquarters

Headquarters and Service Battalion
2d Supply Battalion (-)
2d Maintenance Battalion (-)
6th Motor Transport Battalion (-)
1st Landing Support Battalion (-)
7th Engineer Support Battalion (-)
8th Engineer Support Battalion (-)
1st Medical Battalion (-)
1st Dental Battalion (-)
2d Dental Battalion (-)
2d Medical Battalion (-)
7th Motor Transport Battalion (-)

Headquarters, General Support Group 1
Headquarters, General Support Group 2
Detachment, 2d Landing Support Battalion

CSSD-131 CSSD-132 CSSD-10 CSSD-82 CSSD-91 CSSD-133 MCSSD-11 MCSSD-13 MCSSD-17

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Brigade Service Support Group 1

2d Force Service Support Group

Headquarters and Service Battalion (-)

7th Engineer Support Battalion (-)
8th Engineer Support Battalion (-)
2d Medical Battalion (-)
Detachment, 2d Landing Support Battalion
Detachment, 2d Maintenance Battalion
Detachment, 2d Supply Battalion

Direct Support Group - 1

Combat Service Support Detachment - 10 Combat Service Support Detachment - 11 Combat Service Support Detachment - 13 Combat Service Support Detachment - 17

Direct Support Group - 2 (BSSG - 6 Nucleus)

Mobile Combat Service Support Detachment - 26
Mobile Combat Service Support Detachment - 28 (MSSG -22
Nucleus)

5th Marine Expeditionary Brigade

Command Element

Headquarters, 5th Marine Expeditionary Brigade 5th Surveillance, Reconnaissance, and Intelligence Group

Ground Combat Element

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7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade

Command Element

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Air Combat Element

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Marine Aircraft Group - 70 Marine All Weather Attack Squadron - 242

Combat Service Support Element

Brigade Service Support Group - 7



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Commanding General, 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade Commanding General, I Marine Expeditionary Force From: To:

RECOMMENDATION FOR NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION Subj:

(a) CG I MEF ltr 1650 over SSEC of 27 Dec 91 Ref:

1. Review by this headquarters of enclosure (3) to the reference found the following participating units omitted from the recommendation for the I MEF Navy Unit Commendation:

, Command Element, 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade Headquarters and Service Company, 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade

Command Element, Marine Aircraft Group-70 Marine Air Control Squadron-1

Command Element, Brigade Service Support Group-7

ADD Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron-269

3d Remotely Piloted Vehicle Company

ADD 13th Counterintelligence Team

ADD 6th Counterintelligence Team

ADD (Naval Support Group-1 Naval Beach Group - 1 Navy Cargo Handling and Port Group, Williamsburg, VA Det, Amphibious Construction Battalion - 1 Det, Assualt Craft Unit = 1

Det, Beach Master Unit - 1

4th Platoon, Fleet Anti-Terrorism Security Team Company, Marine Corps Security Forces, Pacific

2. Recommend that the reference be amended to reflect the above listed omissions.

Chief of Staff



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

2d Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force Camp Lejeune. North Carolina 28542-5500

IN REPLY REFER TO

1650 G-1 25 FEB 1992

From:

Commanding General, 2d Marine Division, FMF

To:

Commanding General, I MEF, Camp Pendleton, CA (Adjutant)

Subj: CORRECTION TO PROPOSED SUMMARY OF ACTION

1. Add Company C, 4th Tank Battalion to the task organization under 8th Marines (-) (Rein). Company C, 4th Tanks served under 8th Marines and due to administrative error was not included in the list of units eligible for a unit citation.

> J. BALLAS By/direction

Copy to: CMC (MHM)