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Subject: Announcement of the Award of the Joint Meritorious Unit Award

1. Under the provisions of DOD Manual 1348.33-V1, 23 November 2010, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff has awarded the Joint Meritorious Unit Award for exceptionally meritorious service to **Headquarters, United States Pacific Command**, during the period 20 October 2009 to 9 March 2012. The following joint organizations/activities are also included in this award: **Asia Pacific Center for Security Studies; Center of Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance; Standing Joint Forces Headquarters; Joint Interagency Task Force West; Joint Intelligence Operations Center; Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command; Special Operations Command Pacific; Headquarters, U.S. Forces Japan; Headquarters, Alaskan Command; Joint Typhoon Warning Center; Joint Special Operations Task Force-Philippines; Joint Task Force-505; and Joint Task Force-519**. Service units and individuals assigned to Service units in support of this organization are not eligible for this award.

2. The Unit Streamer (FSN 8345-01-169-5944), Service Ribbons (FSN 8455-01-170-5143 for Army) and (FSN 8455-01-170-5144 for USAF, USN, USMC), and civilian lapel buttons (FSN 8455-01-348-0488) may be obtained from normal supply channels.

FOR THE DIRECTOR FOR MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL:

  
J. D. MAHAR  
Chief, Staff Management  
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to accompany the award of the

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to

Headquarters, United States Pacific Command

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Given under my hand this 1st day of March 2012

*Mark S. DeLong*  
Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff



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