KCI - BOARD INSTRUCTIONS

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CPT Horkay/430-6315
3 August 2005

ISSUE: Establishment of Processing Procedures for the Combat Action Badge (CAB)

POINTS: The CFLCC C1 will review each CAB request upon receipt. Requests that clearly meet the intent and spirit of the 3 June 2005 DMS message (i.e., CAB request for SGT Smith, 42A, while engaging the enemy at Camp Victory, Iraq, was shot and wounded during an enemy gun fight with insurgents trying to enter the perimeter) will be forwarded to Command Group (CofS/DCG) for comments, recommendations, and CG approval/disapproval. Requests not clearly meeting the intent of this message will be boarded by a panel of senior officers/NCOs.

CAB AWARDS BOARD: Board members will consist of four voting members comprised of two Colonels or Lieutenant Colonels, and two Command Sergeants Major or Sergeants Major who work in different staff sections. The board can recommend one of three choices: Approval, Disapproval or Returned for more information.

- **Responsibilities of Board Members.** Board members will determine the following eligibility criteria:

  - Verify that the individual was performing assigned duties in an area where hostile fire pay or imminent danger pay is authorized.

  - Verify that the individual was personally present and actively engaged or being engaged by the enemy, and performing satisfactorily in accordance with the prescribed Rules of Engagement (ROE).

  - Determine (if possible) whether the Soldier could have reasonably been injured by the blast, detonation or explosion if applicable to this CAB request.

  - Screen eligibility ensuring that the Soldier is not assigned/attached to a unit that would qualify him or her for the Combat Infantry Badge (CIB) or Combat Medical Badge (CMB). (Example: An 11B assigned to a Corps staff is eligible for award of the CAB. An 11B assigned to an Infantry Battalion is not eligible for award of the CAB.)

  - Review the narrative for the following information (if applicable):

    1. Source of attack – Mortars, rockets, rocket-propelled grenades, improvised explosive devices (IED), suicide bombers or other projectiles.

    2. Proximity of the soldier to the impacted area (in meters).

  - Make a recommendation based on the information provided.

- **Responsibilities of the Awards Section.** The awards section will consolidate the board's responses and send the CAB request to Command Group (CofS/DCG) for their recommendation prior to forwarding to the CG for approval.

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KENNETH H. CLARK, JR.
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CFLCC C1 (Forward)

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Board Sheets

R.Sa 8/8/05 **Approved**

_____ **Disapproved**

_____ **See me**

Rank	Last	First	Unit	Original Recommend	Board Recommend	CSM Recommend	COS Recommend	DCG Recommend	CG Approved
SGT	SMITH	TIMOTHY	CFLCC C7	CAB	3-APPROVE 1-DISAPPROVE				

R. STEVEN WHITCOMB, LTG, USA, COMMANDING GENERAL

COMBAT ACTION BADGE

29 July 2005

RANK/NAME: SGT Smith, Timothy **Packet, # 290705-001**

SECTION/UNIT: Camp Victory, Iraq

AWARD: CAB

	Recommend Approval	Recommend Disapproval	Returned for more information
O6			
Remarks			
O6			
Remarks			
E-9			
Remarks			
E-9			
Remarks			

The point of contact is the undersigned at 318-430-6315.

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COMBAT ACTION BADGE
CFLCC AWARDS BOARD (CAB) MEMBER VOTE SHEET

PART 1 – GENERAL DATA

«NAME»

UNIT: «NAME»

PERIOD RECOMMENDED: «DATE»

PART 2 – CRITERIA

YES	NO	UNCLEAR	**Award of the CAB is warranted if you answer YES to the following questions:**
☐	☐	☐	Was the Soldier personally present and/or actively engaged by the enemy and performing satisfactorily in accordance with the prescribed rules of engagement?
☐	☐	☐	Is the Soldier assigned/attached to a unit that would qualify the Soldier for the Combat Infantry Badge or the Combat Medic Badge?
☐	☐	☐	Was the Soldier performing assigned duties in an area where Hostile Fire Pay or Imminent Danger Pay is authorized?
☐	☐	☐	Were circumstances under which the Soldier performed his/her mission considered normal day-to-day circumstances, which they would normally perform or were reasonably expected to perform?
☐	☐	☐	Was the proximity to the blast, projectile, IEM such that it could have caused harm or injury?

ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE: **Attacks by mortars, rockets, rocket-propelled grenades, improved explosive devices, suicide bombers, or other projectiles qualify for the badge. An example of being assigned or attached to a unit qualifying them for the CIB/CMB would be an 11B assigned to a Corps staff. This Soldier IS eligible for award of the CAB. However, an 11B assigned to an infantry battalion IS NOT eligible for the CAB because it would be considered normal day-to-day activity.**

PART 3 – BOARD MEMBER'S RECOMMENDATION

☐ **APPROVE** award of the CAB

☐ **DISAPPROVE** award of the CAB (provide comments/reason for disapproval):

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PRINTED NAME SIGNATURE DATE

RECORD OF CFLCC CAB AWARDS BOARD
CAMBAT ACTION BADGE

DATE:_____

1. The CFLCC Awards Board met to consider the following individual for award of the Combat Action Badge:

«NAME»

PERIOD RECOMMENDED: «DATE»

2. By ☐ **Majority** ☐ **Unanimous** vote, the Board:

☐ **APPROVED THE CAB**

☐ **DISAPPROVED THE CAB**

3. Reason for **DISAPPROVAL** of the Combat Action Badge:

☐ Soldier was not personally present and/or actively engaged by the enemy and performing satisfactorily in accordance with the prescribed rules of engagement to perform a difficult and challenging mission under extraordinary circumstances.

☐ Circumstances under which the Soldier performed his/her mission were considered normal day-to-day circumstances, which they normally performed or were reasonably expected to perform.

☐ The Soldier was assigned/attached to a unit that would qualify the Soldier for the Combat Infantry Badge or the Combat Medic Badge.

☐ The Soldier was not performing assigned duties in an area where Hostile Fire Pay or Imminent Danger Pay is authorized.

☐ The proximity to the blast, projectile, IED was not such that it could have caused harm or injury.

☐ Other (Please be specific):_____

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4. Comments:_____

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Clement Laniewski, LTC, USA_____
(SIGNATURE)