

### RECOMMENDATION FOR AWARD

For use of this form, see AR 600-8-22; the proponent agency is DCS, G-1.

For valor/heroism/wartime and all awards higher than MSM, refer to special instructions in Chapter 3, AR 600-8-22.

1. TO CDR, 411TH EN BDE, JTF EMPIRE BAF, APO AE 09354	2. FROM CDR, 1039TH EN CO FOB TARIN KOWT, APO AE 09380	3. DATE (YYYYMMDD)  20130102
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#### PART I - SOLDIER DATA

4. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) LYONS, MICHAEL S.	5. RANK 1LT	6. SSN  430-75-4794
7. ORGANIZATION 1039TH EN CO FOB TARIN KOWT, APO AE 09380	8. PREVIOUS AWARDS AAM-1, ARCOM-2	
9. BRANCH OF SERVICE	10. RECOMMENDED AWARD  BSM	11. PERIOD OF AWARD a. FROM 20120823 b. TO 20130420

12. REASON FOR AWARD			
12a. INDICATE REASON  SVC	12b. INTERIM AWARD IF YES, STATE AWARD GIVEN	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	12c. POSTHUMOUS YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			13. PROPOSED PRESENTATION DATE (YYYYMMDD)  20130421

#### PART II - RECOMMENDER DATA

14. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) JACOBS, SETH E.	15. ADDRESS 1039TH EN CO FOB TARIN KOWT, APO AE 09380		
16. TITLE/POSITION COMPANY COMMANDER	17. RANK CPT		
18. RELATIONSHIP TO AWARDEE COMPANY COMMANDER	19. SIGNATURE <div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">                     JACOBS.SETH.ELDO.1257015889                 </div>		

#### PART III - JUSTIFICATION AND CITATION DATA (Use specific bullet examples of meritorious acts or service)

20. ACHIEVEMENTS

ACHIEVEMENT #1  
 1LT Lyons, Chief Mentor of Afghan National Army(ANA) Route Clearance Company, 4/205 Kandak, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service to the 1039th Sapper Company and its mentorship mission to the Route Clearance Company in Tarin Kowt, Afghanistan. The 4/205 consists of eighty Afghan National Army Soldiers who initially had only basic knowledge of route clearance. Through countless hours of hard work and his devotion to duty, he led them to become a successful route clearance company.

ACHIEVEMENT #2  
 1LT Lyons worked diligently with higher echelons to develop and mentor ANA RCC. Upon arrival at MNB Tarin Kowt, the ANA RCC were ill-equipped with FMC vehicles and no working ECMs. Expeditiously, 1LT Lyons built a good relationship with our ANA partners, coordinated support to resolve maintenance and ECM issues, and enhanced the overall training to meet Afghan Army standards. 1LT Lyons' efforts have enhanced the current posture of the ANA RCC and established the framework for a sustainable approach.

ACHIEVEMENT #3  
 1LT Lyons was selected over peers to perform the duties to lead the Afghan National Army (ANA) Mentorship for the ANA Route Clearance Company (RCC). He worked diligently to learn and teach his mentor team Afghan customs and courtesies. With his high standards, leadership, communication, and people skills, 1LT Lyons turned an unorganized ANA RCC of 80 Soldiers into an effective team, enhancing their partnership with the 1039th RCC, by performing combined RCP missions and initiating independent operations.

ACHIEVEMENT #4  
 1LT Lyons' efforts to enhance the ANA RCC has resulted in them successfully executing independent missions ahead of schedule. This effort was apparent with the 4/205 ANA RCC success during Operation Kalak Hode VI and the success continued into additional independent missions of the ANA RCC. 1LT Lyons key efforts to ensure successful ANA RCC independence include, EOD team validation, logistic processes and training, and resolving ECM issues. Without his effort ANA RCC independence would not be possible.

21. PROPOSED CITATION

EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS SERVICE AS THE AFGHANISTAN NATIONAL ARMY MENTOR PLATOON LEADER IN THE 1039TH ENGINEER COMPANY, WHILE DEPLOYED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM. FIRST LIEUTENANT LYON'S LEADERSHIP AND DEDICATION TO DUTY WERE INSTRUMENTAL TO THE UNIT'S MISSION DURING COMBAT OPERATIONS. 1LT LYONS' ACTIONS REFLECT DISTINCT CREDIT UPON HIMSELF, THE 1039TH ENGINEER COMPANY, THE 120TH ENGINEER BATTALION, TASK FORCE OUTLAW, THE 411TH ENGINEER BRIGADE, JOINT TASK FORCE EMPIRE, AND THE UNITED STATES ARMY.

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) LYONS, MICHAEL S. SSN 430-75-4794

**PART IV - RECOMMENDATIONS/APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL**

22. I certify that this individual is eligible for an award in accordance with AR 600-8-22; and that the information contained in Part I is correct. 22a. SIGNATURE DALE JEREMIAH EDWIN, 11168242 22b. DATE (YYYYMMDD) 20130102

23. INTERMEDIATE AUTHORITY a. TO CDR, 411TH EN BDE, JTF EMPIRE BAF, APO AE 09354 b. FROM CDR, 120TH EN BN, TF OUTLAW KAF, APO AE 09355 c. DATE (YYYYMMDD) 20130104

d. RECOMMEND:  APPROVAL  DISAPPROVAL  UPGRADE TO:  DOWNGRADE TO:

e. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) RITTER, JACKIE R. f. RANK LTC

g. TITLE/POSITION BATTALION COMMANDER h. SIGNATURE RITTER, JACKIE, RAY, 1124681231

i. COMMENTS  
 LT Lyons is the reason why the 1039th's ANA RCC partnership was a success. Everything that ANA Company learned and did was because of his efforts and "can do" attitude. A must award.

24. INTERMEDIATE AUTHORITY a. TO b. FROM c. DATE (YYYYMMDD)

d. RECOMMEND:  APPROVAL  DISAPPROVAL  UPGRADE TO:  DOWNGRADE TO:

e. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) f. RANK LTC

g. TITLE/POSITION h. SIGNATURE

i. COMMENTS

25. INTERMEDIATE AUTHORITY a. TO b. FROM c. DATE (YYYYMMDD)

d. RECOMMEND:  APPROVAL  DISAPPROVAL  UPGRADE TO:  DOWNGRADE TO:

e. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) f. RANK

g. TITLE/POSITION h. SIGNATURE

i. COMMENTS

26. APPROVAL AUTHORITY a. TO ORDER ISSUING AUTHORITY b. FROM CDR, 411TH EN BDE, JTF EMPIRE BAF, APO AE 09354 c. DATE (YYYYMMDD) 20130114

d.  APPROVED  DISAPPROVED  RECOMMEND UPGRADE TO:  DOWNGRADE TO:

e. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) WEEKS, DAVID L. f. RANK BG

g. TITLE/POSITION BRIGADE COMMANDER h. SIGNATURE [Signature]

i. COMMENTS  
 Outstanding Officer and Leader. Very strong BC recommendation.

**PART V - ORDERS DATA**

27a. ORDERS ISSUING HQ HQ, 411TH EN BDE, JTF EMPIRE BAF, APO AE 09354 27b. PERMANENT ORDER NO. 411-016-010 31. DISTRIBUTION 1-File 1-OMPF 1-Unit 3-Individual

28a. NAME OF ORDERS APPROVAL AUTHORITY O'DAY, DAREN J. 28b. RANK MAJ

28c. TITLE/POSITION BDE ADJUTANT 29. APPROVED AWARD BSM

28d. SIGNATURE [Signature] 30. DATE (YYYYMMDD) 20130114