

CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

BENJAMIN J. ZISKAL

Staff Sergeant Benjamin J. Ziskal, United States Air Force, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement while serving as Movements Non-Commissioned Officer, Operations Division, Logistics Directorate, Combined Forces Special Operations Component Command, Camp As Sayliyah, Qatar in support of Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM from 24 May 2008 to 28 September 2008. During this period, Sergeant Ziskal coordinated airlift for Special Operation missions, moving over 950 personnel and 3,640 short tons of cargo in direct support of the command's Regional War on Terrorism. Passionate about the mission he expertly validated more than 200 short notice contingency re-supply missions air dropping more than 300 short tons of mission essential cargo to entrenched special operations forces engaged in enemy combat. An intrepid visionary Sergeant Ziskal leveraged his civilian expertise as a City Planner and was instrumental in developing the design, staffing, and vetting of a comprehensive Special Operations Command Central Base Master Plan for the AOR expediting the new concept into a workable and long term strategic asset that will be benchmarked for years to come. The distinctive accomplishments of Sergeant Ziskal reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, Special Operations Command Central, and the Department of Defense.

