



Citation

to accompany the award of the

Joint Meritorious Unit Award

to the

*United States Military Entrance
Processing Command*

The United States Military Entrance Processing Command distinguished itself by exceptionally meritorious service from 160416 to 190524. During this period of unprecedented growth, the command through its two Sector Headquarters, 12 Battalion Headquarters, and 65 Military Entrance Processing Stations, provided the Services' 9 Initial Military Training Centers with nearly 700,000 qualified and able-bodied recruits desiring to serve in the Armed Forces, while ongoing its most significant transformation in decades. Overcoming substantial challenges as the result of antiquated equipment and processes, the Command made significant progress in its efforts to achieve its strategic goal of all-digital accession. These efforts resulted in a rapid progression to a packetless, paperless, and all digital enlistment process, providing exponentially improved service to all Recruiting Services and Accessions Partners. United States Military Entrance Processing Commands contributions to maintaining the sustainability of the All-Volunteer Force during a period of significant global instability, while keeping up with current advances in technology significantly added to the effectiveness, readiness, and outstanding quality of our Nation's Armed Forces. By their exemplary performance of duty, the members of the United States Military Entrance Processing Command have brought great credit to themselves and to the Department of Defense.

Given under my hand this 24 day of October, 2019

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark T. Esper".

Secretary of Defense



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MILITARY PERSONNEL AWARDS ORDER NUMBER 19-265

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1. Under the provisions of Department of Defense Manual 1348.33-V4, the Secretary of Defense has awarded the Joint Meritorious Unit Award to the United States Military Entrance Processing Command, from 16 April 2016 to 24 May 2018, for exceptionally meritorious service.
2. The Unit Streamer, Service Ribbons, and Civilian lapel buttons may be obtained from normal supply channels.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patricia L. George".

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