



**Citation**  
to accompany the award of the  
**Joint Meritorious Unit Award**  
to the  
**Joint United States Military Mission  
For Aid To Turkey**

The Joint United States Military Mission for Aid to Turkey distinguished itself by exceptionally meritorious service from 18 December 1980 through 30 June 1986. During this period, the Joint United States Military Mission for Aid to Turkey made significant and lasting contributions to United States Military programs in Turkey. While operating in the post-embargo environment, the personnel of the Joint United States Military Mission for Aid to Turkey entered into a close relationship with the Ministry of National Defense, the Turkish General Staff, and the Turkish Armed Forces to expand United States-Turkish military cooperation and to initiate programs to modernize the Turkish military at a rate not thought possible. The professionalism, imagination, persistence, and positive attitude of the Joint United States Military Mission for Aid to Turkey personnel have earned them the unqualified respect of the Turkish Armed Forces. By their exemplary performance of duty, the members of the Joint United States Military Mission for Aid to Turkey have brought great credit upon themselves, the Department of Defense, and the United States of America.

Given under my hand this 10th day of December 1986.

*William J. Crowe, Jr.*  
Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff