

# Postcards from Iraq

## Unit Members Receive Combat Patch

My name is Sgt. Angel Storm and I am currently serving in Baghdad, Iraq. My unit, the 432nd Civil Affairs Battalion Bravo Company, is working with the Department of State at the Baghdad Provincial Reconstruction Team.

Like many of the members in my unit, it is also my first deployment to Iraq. In the Army, your uniform will let others know a little bit about your military career. A

patch worn on the right shoulder is called a combat patch and is only given to those who have served a certain amount of time in a combat zone.

March 11, 2008 there was a small ceremony where combat patches were given to those who had never received them before. After the combat patches were issued, three members of Bravo Company reenlisted.



Above: Members of 432nd Civil Affairs Battalion Bravo Company receive combat patches. Inset: Sgt. Storm's combat patch.



The Department of State civilians we work with also attended the ceremony. Their support and the camaraderie of our unit made it a memorable night for everyone. Being here and earning this patch really means a lot to me.

Reconstruction Team, or PRT, is a multi-agency unit run by the Department of State that includes Soldiers from the 432nd Civil Affairs Battalion Bravo Co, Bi-Lingual Bi-Cultural Advisors and local national employees.

*Sgt Angel Storm  
Baghdad Provincial  
Reconstruction Team*