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Utah Guard's 1993rd Contingency Contracting Team Deploys

DRAPER, Utah – The four Soldiers of the Utah National Guard's newest unit, the 1993rd Contingency Contracting Team, will depart Utah Saturday, Aug. 29, en route to a yearlong deployment to Kosovo.

The 1993rd, based in Draper, was created last fall along with National Guard counterpart units in 54 states and territories to meet the growing need to manage tactical- and operational-level U.S. Military contracts for goods and services in combat theaters of operations.

"The experience we gain on this deployment will help us be a resource for providing goods and services in a military setting," said Maj. Chris Patterson, commander of the 1993rd, "but it will also give us critical skills to be a resource for first responders in the state in the event of a natural disaster or civil emergency."

Members of the 1993rd will depart at 7 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 29, from Terminal 2 at Salt Lake International Airport. Soldiers will spend time training at Fort Benning, Ga., and Hohenfels, Germany, before arriving in Kosovo late this fall.

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