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Utah National Guard's 141st Military Intelligence Battalion Deploys

DRAPER, Utah – Approximately 275 Soldiers of the Utah National Guard's 141st Military Intelligence Battalion will depart Utah en route to a 12-month deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom Friday, June 25, from the Utah Air National Guard Base.

The departure ceremony will begin at approximately 8:30 p.m. Friday with remarks from Maj. Gen. Brian L. Tarbet, adjutant general of the Utah National Guard, and Lt. Col. Matt Price, commander of the 141st.

After the brief ceremony, families will be given time to spend with their Soldiers before members of the 141st board two charter aircraft scheduled to depart at 11 p.m. and 11:30 p.m., respectively.

Soldiers will arrive in Fort Lewis, Wash., where they will receive several weeks of training for their assigned mission to provide intelligence support to Coalition forces in Iraq.

Soldiers of the 141st reside in the following cities:

Alpine, American Fork, Bluffdale, Bountiful, Brigham City, Cedar City, Cedar Hills, Clearfield, Clinton, Draper, Dugway, Eagle Mountain, Farr West, Harrisville, Herriman, Highland, Holladay, Hurricane, Kanab, Kaysville, La Verkin, Layton, Lehi, Lindon, Logan, Magna, Midvale, Monroe, Morgan, Murray, North Logan, North Salt Lake, Ogden, Orem, Panguitch, Payson, Plain City, Pleasant Grove, Providence, Provo, Riverton, Roy, St. Charles, St. George, Salem, Salt Lake City, Sandy, Santaquin, Saratoga Springs, Seaside, Smithfield, South Jordan, Springville, Syracuse, Taylorsville, Tooele, Toquerville, Tremonton, West Haven, West Jordan, West Valley City and Woods Cross.

Media Notes: The Utah Air National Guard Base is located at 765 N. 2200 W. (just east of Salt Lake International Airport). Please contact 1st Lt. Ryan Sutherland at (801) 390-4921.