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144th Area Support Medical Company Returns from Afghanistan

DRAPER, Utah – The approximately 75 Soldiers of the Utah National Guard's 144th Area Support Medical Company will return to Utah from their 12-month deployment to Afghanistan via charter aircraft Sunday, March 20, at 2:45 p.m. at the Utah Air National Guard Base in Salt Lake City.

The mission of the 144th in Afghanistan was to treat patients in a hospital/clinic setting and provide medevac and ambulance support in a combat environment.

Soldiers arrived from overseas at Fort Lewis, Wash., earlier this week and have been undergoing demobilization processing.

Charter flights typically run ahead of schedule, so media planning to cover the return of the 144th should plan to be on site one hour before the announced arrival time.

Returning Soldiers are from the following cities:

American Fork, Aurora, Brigham City, Cedar Valley, Clearfield, Cottonwood Heights, Draper, Eagle Mountain, Farmington, Highland, Holladay, Hooper, Ivins, Kearns, Layton, Lehi, Logan, Magna, Mexican Hat, Myton, Ogden, Orem, Plain City, Pleasant Grove, Provo, Riverton, Roy, Salt Lake City, Sandy, Santaquin, Smithfield, Spanish Fork, Springville, St. George, Taylorsville, 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). For more information, please contact Lt. Col. Hank McIntire at (801) 420-4778.