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Media Advisory Ohio Air National Guard to break ground on new facility

Columbus—The 121st Air Refueling Wing (ARW) will host an official groundbreaking ceremony at noon Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2008. The ceremony will serve as the official kickoff for the construction of a new Security Forces facility.

The new \$5.9 million facility, designed by Prime Engineering of Columbus, will encompass nearly 21,000 square feet and be used by the 121st ARW Security Forces and the 164th Weather Flight. The Security Forces area will have nearly 18,000 square feet, including administrative offices, training rooms, storage and a firearms training simulator space. The Weather Flight area will have 3,000 square feet that will be utilized for administrative offices and storage space.

The current building the Security Forces occupy will be renovated and updated for use by 121st ARW recruiters. After all construction is done, the two old facilities used by the Weather Flight will be demolished.

The entire project has been awarded to Lusk Mechanical Contractors, of Vine Grove, Ky., with the anticipated completion date of the new building in September 2009 and the overall renovation project complete by March 2010.

WHO: The Ohio National Guard

WHAT: Official groundbreaking ceremony

WHEN: Noon - 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2008

WHERE: Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base, 7370 Minuteman Way, Columbus, Ohio 43217.

HOW: If you plan to attend, please contact the Ohio National Guard Public Affairs Office at (614) 336-7000.

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