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Ohio National Guard Soldiers to return from deployment

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The Ohio National Guard will welcome home 6 Soldiers from Detachment 21 during a 3 p.m. ceremony Saturday, July 27, at the Obetz Conference Center, 1650 Obetz Avenue, Obetz, Ohio 43207.

While deployed to Bagram, Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, the Soldiers of DET 21 were responsible for providing VIP transport to Senior Staff and dignitaries in Southwest Asia.

During the deployment, the Soldiers flew in excess of 1,200 combat hours, transported over 1,800 passengers and airlifted more than 87,000 pounds of cargo all in the course of completing almost 400 combat missions. Most notable was a month in which the unit flew nearly 200 combat hours. All pilots logged more than 300 combat hours.

Soldiers were awarded The NATO Medal and The Afghanistan Campaign Medal. All mission crews received Air Medals, and those in Operations were recognized with an Army Commendation Medal.

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NEWSROOM NOTE: News media are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes in advance of the scheduled start time.

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