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Springfield-based Ohio Army National Guard sustainment brigade headquarters to return from deployment

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The Ohio National Guard will welcome home about 260 Soldiers from the 371st Sustainment Brigade during a 4:30 p.m. ceremony Saturday, March 1 at Springfield High School, 701 E. Home Road, Springfield, Ohio.

Headquarters and Special Troops Battalion, 371st Sustainment Brigade was deployed to Camp Arifjan, Kuwait from June 2013 to February 2014, conducting logistical support in eight countries including Afghanistan and the Kyrgyz Republic.

The 371st Sustainment Brigade provided mission command to three battalions, consisting of 29 geographically and logistically diverse elements and a provisional Army watercraft company. The 371st exercised mission command of postal, finance, supply, transport, ammunition, fuel, contract management, theater human resources, maintenance and warehouse operations while increasing efficiency and reducing costs in the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility.

In addition, the 371st Sustainment Brigade was responsible for a total contractual cost savings of more than \$48 million during the unit's deployment. Subordinate units operated seven Army post offices in four countries and managed the Joint Military Mail Terminal at Camp Arifjan, as well as finance offices in Kuwait, Qatar, Jordan and the United Arab Emirates.

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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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