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Ohio National Guard armored regiment returning from deployment

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Members of the Ohio National Guard's 1st Battalion, 145th Armored Regiment, headquartered in Stow, Ohio, are coming home after more than a yearlong deployment to the Middle East in support of Operation Spartan Shield.

About 580 Citizen-Soldiers of the 1-145th have completed their mission that began in August 2019. During the deployment, the Soldiers were part of the 30th Armored Brigade Combat Team, comprising 4,200 National Guard members from four states: Ohio, West Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina.

The regiment is returning in multiple small groups at different times, and there currently is no public welcome home ceremony planned. The next group, which consists of about 125 Guard members, is expected to arrive at about 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, 2020, at the International Exposition Center, 1 I-X Center Dr., Cleveland, Ohio 44135.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Media outlets interested in covering the regiment's arrival Friday, Sept. 25, 2020, are asked to RSVP before noon Friday to Stephanie Beougher, public information officer, at 614-506-3490 or stephanie.k.beougher.nfg@mail.mil. Please plan to arrive no later than 3 p.m. Face masks must be worn and social distancing observed.

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