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Youngstown-based Ohio Army National Guard unit to deploy

COLUMBUS – About 50 Soldiers from the Ohio Army National Guard's 583rd Military Police Detachment are scheduled to mobilize for active duty this month in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The public is invited to the unit's 11 a.m. deployment ceremony Jan. 25, 2008, at Crossroads Church, 554 South Meridian Rd., Youngstown, Ohio, 44509.

The Soldiers depart for Fort Dix, N.J., where they will receive specialized training to prepare them for a yearlong mission conducting operations in support of the Global War on Terrorism.

Although this is the first deployment for the 583rd Military Police Detachment, many of the unit's Soldiers have deployed previously in support of the Global War on Terrorism.

"My Soldiers are extremely professional, have been training hard and will continue to prepare for this upcoming mission," said Capt. Eric Luca, the detachment commander.

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EDITORS NOTE: News media are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes in advance.

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