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## **Ohio Army National Guard advisor team to return from deployment**

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The Ohio National Guard will welcome home 12 Soldiers from the 174th Air Defense Artillery Brigade during a noon public ceremony Friday, June 14, at the Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy, 4687 Wyoga Lake Road, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44224.

The Police Advisor Team program is a key NATO contribution toward the development of the Afghan Border Police and the Afghan National Civil Order Police, with the mission to provide training and mentoring to the ABP and ANCOP forces.

For the PAT 1 mission, a joint Ohio National Guard-Hungarian Defense Forces training team mentored the ABP/ANCOP for the execution of security operations in the Regional Command North (RC-N) Area of Operations.

The Soldiers of PAT 1 mobilized in July 2012, and trained at Fort Polk, La., as well as in Germany and Hungary, before deploying to Afghanistan to support Operation Enduring Freedom.

The PAT missions are a continuation of a relationship formed in 1993 between the Ohio National Guard and Hungary as part of the National Guard Bureau's State Partnership Program. Today, 50 U.S. states, two territories, and the District of Columbia are partnered with 65 countries around the world.

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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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