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Ohio National Guard aviation unit to deploy overseas

COLUMBUS, Ohio — About 5 Soldiers from the Ohio National Guard's Detachment 2, Company A, 2nd Battalion, 641st Aviation Regiment (Theater Aviation Brigade), located in Columbus, Ohio, are deploying in support of Operation Freedom's Sentinel and Operation Resolute Support.

The public is invited to the Soldiers' call to duty ceremony at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 7, 2016, at the 121st Air Refueling Wing Auditorium, Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base, Columbus, Ohio 44720. A military identification card is required to gain entry on to the installation without prior coordination to be put on the guest list.

The detachment will provide fixed-wing VIP and passenger transport support and will be operating throughout the U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM) area of responsibility.

Previous deployments for the unit include Djibouti (2006-2007), Colombia (2010) and Afghanistan (2012).

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NEWSROOM NOTE: News media must submit their name, last four digits of their Social Security number and place of employment/media outlet by noon Wednesday, July 6, 2016, per the host installation's security guidelines. Media are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes in advance of the event's scheduled start time.

TO SUBMIT NAMES OF MEDIA MEMBERS PLANNING TO ATTEND OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Capt. Samuel Atkins, public affairs officer, at 614-336-7449 or samuel.d.atkins.mil@mail.mil.

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