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Media Advisory

New date announced for assumption of command ceremony at 179th Airlift Wing

- WHAT:** Assumption of command ceremony for Col. Allison Miller, new commander of the Ohio Air National Guard's 179th Airlift Wing
- WHEN:** The ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, with a media availability at 1 p.m.
- WHERE:** 179th Airlift Wing, Mansfield Lahm Air National Guard Base, 1947 Harrington Memorial Road, Hangar 2, Mansfield, Ohio 44903
- BACKGROUND:** Miller is a decorated pilot and 20-year veteran of the National Guard. She becomes the first woman to lead an Ohio Air National Guard wing.

She began her military career in 1996 when she joined the Alabama Air National Guard. In her most recent job as the director of safety for the Air National Guard, Miller was responsible for managing all ground, flight, weapons and space safety programs for 90 flying and mission support units encompassing more than 105,700 Air National Guard members nationwide.

The 179 AW is one of four Ohio Air National Guard wings. The Ohio National Guard has more than 16,000 Airmen and Soldiers and is the nation's fourth-largest National Guard. The Ohio National Guard responds with ready units and personnel when called for federal, state and community missions, and is an operational reserve of the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force.

A bio and high-resolution official photo of Miller are available to download at http://ong.ohio.gov/TAG_ATAG/179-commander.html.

NEWSROOM NOTE: Please submit names of media members planning to attend and their contact information by 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 2 to Tech. Sgt. Joseph Harwood, 179th Airlift Wing Public Affairs, at joseph.d.harwood2.mil@mail.mil.

On the day of the event, media should plan to arrive at 1 p.m. to conduct interviews.

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