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## **Ohio National Guard 16<sup>th</sup> Eng. Brigade returns**

COLUMBUS, Ohio – The Ohio National Guard and the local community will welcome home the 16<sup>th</sup> Engineer Brigade Headquarters Nov. 9 during a 2 p.m. ceremony at The Vineyard Community Church, 6000 Cooper Road, Westerville, OH 43081.

About 120 soldiers from the 16<sup>th</sup> Engineer Brigade have been deployed to Iraq since September 2005 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The brigade, commanded by Brig. Gen. Robin Timmons, was charged with providing command and control of active Army units to include the 5th Engineer Battalion (Combat) (Mechanized), 67th Special Search Dog Detachment (Mine), 62nd Engineer Battalion (Combat) (Heavy), 68th Construction Support Equipment Company and the 951st Maintenance Company (Direct Support) (-). The brigade's mission was to provide mobility, counter-mobility, survivability, and sustainment engineering operations for the Multi-National Division – Baghdad. This deployment was the first General Officer headquarters mobilization in the Ohio National Guard since World War II.

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***FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: The Ohio National Guard Public Affairs Office at 614-336-7000 or Capt. Marshall Jackson at 614-496-3813. Capt Jackson will be the point of contact for media personnel at the ceremony. Please visit the public website at [www.ohionationalguard.com](http://www.ohionationalguard.com)***