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Ohio Army National Guard military police unit returns home

COLUMBUS, Ohio – Maj. Gen. Gregory L. Wayt, Ohio's adjutant general, will greet 50 Soldiers from the Ohio Army National Guard's 583rd Military Police Detachment, as they return from their yearlong deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The public is invited to the unit's welcome home ceremony at 5 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 10, at Crossroads Church, 554 S. Meridian Rd., Youngstown, Ohio, 44509.

The Soldiers mobilized out of Ft. Dix, N.J., where the unit trained to prepare them for their mission in Iraq. The 583rd provided law and order support at Victory Base, the largest military installation in Iraq.

The unit is based in Youngstown, Ohio, but includes Soldiers from throughout the state.

"My Soldiers are extremely professional and have served their country and Iraq well," said Detachment Commander Capt. Eric Luca. "I could not be more proud."

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EDITORS NOTE: News media are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes in advance. Capt. Michelle Smith will be on site to provide any assistance you may need.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: The Ohio National Guard Public Affairs Office at 614-336-7000 or Capt. Michelle Smith at 614-365-0362.