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Ohio Air National Guard unit to deploy

COLUMBUS, Ohio — About 87 Airmen from the Ohio Air National Guard's 123rd Air Control Squadron were mobilized earlier this month for active duty and will deploy next month in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

The public is invited to the unit's call to duty ceremony at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 31, 2011, at the University of Cincinnati Blue Ash, Muntz Hall, 9555 Plainfield Road, Blue Ash, Ohio, 45236.

On Sunday, Oct. 2 the Airmen began mobilization training at their home station in Blue Ash. Upon completion of mobilization training, the unit will deploy to Qatar to provide air defense of the Arabian Gulf, as well as command and control functions for Afghanistan.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: News media are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes in advance.

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