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Ohio Army National Guard aviation unit to deploy

COLUMBUS, Ohio — About 20 Soldiers from the Ohio Army National Guard's Company B, 3rd Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment, located in North Canton, Ohio, are deploying in support of Operation Freedom's Sentinel.

The public is invited to the Soldiers' call to duty ceremony at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 2, 2015, at the MAPS Air Museum, 2260 International Parkway, North Canton, Ohio 44720.

The unit operates the CH-47F Chinook, a twin-engine, tandem rotor heavy lift helicopter. Its primary roles are troop movement, equipment transport and battlefield resupply. It has a wide loading ramp at the rear of the fuselage and three external ventral cargo hooks.

The Soldiers will train at Fort Hood, Texas, before deploying to their designated assignment location in Afghanistan. The unit previously deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2005 and Operation Enduring Freedom in 2012.

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NEWSROOM NOTE: News media are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes in advance of the scheduled start time.

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