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Ohio National Guard's 1st Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment to return home from deployment

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The Ohio National Guard will welcome home about 190 Soldiers from the 1st Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment, headquartered in Cincinnati, as they return from a nearly yearlong deployment to the National Capital Region (NCR) as part of the Integrated Air Defense System.

The public is invited to the unit's welcome home ceremony at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10 at The Landmark Church, 1600 Glendale-Milford Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45246.

Soldiers of the 1-174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment provided personnel support to the homeland defense mission, which included the use of radar, ground-based air defense systems and communications equipment.

The Integrated Air Defense System in the NCR, consisting of sensors, alert fighters, and ground based air defense weapons systems, was established shortly after Sept. 11, 2001, at the direction of the Secretary of Defense. Originally manned by active-duty forces, the NCR has been manned by Air and Army National Guard members since 2003. The mission stands today as a prime example of the National Guard fulfilling its "Defense of the Homeland" mission.

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NEWSROOM NOTE: On the day of the event, news media are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes in advance of the scheduled start time.

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