



# Ohio Adjutant General's Department

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## Ohio Army National Guard engineer brigade headquarters to deploy

COLUMBUS, Ohio — About 100 Soldiers from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 16th Engineer Brigade, located in Columbus, are deploying for approximately one year in support of U.S. Central Command.

**The unit's call to duty ceremony will take place at 4 p.m. Thursday, June 25, 2020, in Columbus.** The ceremony will be held with strict social distancing and personal protective equipment (PPE) requirements. Due to current safety and health considerations, the event will not be open to the public, however, weather permitting, immediate family members may attend if the ceremony is held outdoors.

The ceremony will be streamed live on the Ohio National Guard's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/TheOhioNationalGuard>.

The unit is a brigade headquarters company and will be providing supervisory oversight for subordinate engineer units in its area of operations. The unit's previous deployments were in 2005-06 and 2009-10, both to Iraq.

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**NEWSROOM NOTE:** Media outlets interested in interviewing deploying Soldiers via Skype after the ceremony must contact Stephanie Beougher, public information officer, before **10 a.m. Thursday, June 25** at 614-506-3490 or [stephanie.k.beougher.nfg@mail.mil](mailto:stephanie.k.beougher.nfg@mail.mil).

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