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USAREUR unit tapped for deployment to Iraq

HEIDELBERG, Germany – The Department of Defense announced today that the 172nd (Blackhawk) Infantry Brigade, headquartered in Schweinfurt, and based in Schweinfurt and Grafenwoehr, will deploy in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The deployments will take place this fall.

Units deploying with the 172nd include:

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 172nd Infantry Brigade
1st Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment
2nd Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment
3rd Battalion, 66th Armor Regiment
E Troop, 5th Cavalry Regiment
1st Battalion, 77th Field Artillery Regiment
9th Engineer Battalion
57th Signal Company
C Company, 504th Military Intelligence Battalion
172nd Forward Support Battalion

The leadership of the mentioned units will train and prepare its Soldiers for any mission that they may be given. This announcement provides the unit with a timeline for a future deployment and a focus for training. Future decisions about this deployment will be based on requirements as directed by the Combatant Commander.

As part of its non-negotiable commitment to take care of Families, the U.S. Army in Europe will ensure that the military community infrastructure will continue to support the needs of all members of the community while the unit is deployed.