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14th Trans. Soldiers change unit insignia patches at ceremony

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VICENZA, Italy – Soldiers from the 14th Transportation Battalion gathered at the Caserma Ederle Post Gym here Jan. 19 to officially change their unit insignia patch from the 21st Theater Sustainment Command to the 16th Sustainment Brigade.

The 14th Trans. Bn. previously fell directly under the 21st TSC as one of only two separate battalions, but effective immediately the unit will have a sustainment brigade between itself and its higher command.

“Today’s ceremony is a result of our ever changing Army,” said Maj. Joseph Gallaher, the 14th Trans. Bn.’s executive officer and acting commander.

The 14th Trans. Bn.’s history has been intertwined with that of the Army. Having served in every major combat operation since World War II, the battalion has proudly earned the distinction of being the most decorated transportation battalion in the Army.

In his closing remarks Gallaher said, “We welcome the transition to the 16th Sustainment Brigade and the support they will provide to our units remaining in Italy as the headquarters prepares to deploy.”

Several dozen Soldiers from the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment of 14th Trans. Bn. will deploy to Joint Base Balad, Iraq, in the near future to help facilitate

the movement of personnel and equipment as the Army continues to withdraw its forces from Iraq. Staying behind will be about 200 Soldiers from the battalion who will continue their respective missions in Italy.

As the ceremony proceeded, Soldiers pulled their 21st TSC patches from the left shoulder sleeves in unison, replacing them with 16th Sust. Bde. patches.