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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### ***Hohenfels Training Area training advisory for Mar. 28 – Apr. 27, 2016***

HOHENFELS, Germany (March. 17, 2016) – From Mar. 28 – Apr. 27, 2016, the Joint Multinational Readiness Center will host exercise Saber Junction 16. More than 5,000 participants from 18 nations are participating in the exercise at the U.S. Army's Hohenfels Training Areas in southeastern Germany.

In addition to the 173<sup>rd</sup> Airborne Brigade from Vicenza, Italy, Saber Junction 16 will feature units from Albania, Armenia, Belgium, Bosnia, Bulgaria, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, Romania, Serbia, Slovenia, Sweden, Turkey, and the United Kingdom. The exercise will also include a variety of enabling units from the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force stationed in Europe.

During the morning hours of March 28 – 01 April, and again on 07 April military vehicles and transport vehicles will move from the Parsberg Bahnhof to the Hohenfels Training Area. Due to their size and weight, these vehicles may move slowly. Drivers between the Parsberg Bahnhof and the Hohenfels Training Area main gate are advised to use caution when driving near military convoys. Polizei will escort these convoys through the entire convoy route.

From March 28 – 07 April, commuters and residents near Hohenfels Training Area will see increased military traffic on the major civilian routes between Grafenwoehr and the Hohenfels Training Area.

The Schmidmuhlen road on the Hohenfels Training Area will be closed to civilian traffic from April 10 - 22. During the rest of the month of April, the Schmidmuhlen road will be open, but drivers must be vigilant for increased military traffic and additional stop signs at many intersections.

Saber Junction 16 will feature a multi-battalion, multi-national airborne operation near Hohenfels April 12 – 15. The airborne operations will be followed by several days of air-

land operations on the Hohenfels Training Area's Short Take-off and Landing (STOL) air strip. During this time, communities near Hohenfels may experience increased training noise due to low-flying aircraft.

Between April 9-12, communities in the designated Maneuver Rights Area for the airborne operation will see an increased presence of Soldiers and light vehicles in the area in preparation for the operation. On April 12, approximately 1100 soldiers will parachute into the area and move directly onto the Hohenfels Training Area.

Members of the press are invited to observe portions of the airborne operations during the Saber Junction 16 Media Day on Apr. 12 in Hohenfels. Interested media may contact the 7<sup>th</sup> Army Joint Multinational Training Command's public affairs office for more information on attending the event.

This is an informational advisory for the communities around the Hohenfels Training Area. This release only applies to the specified time period. Times and locations of activities in this announcement may change due to weather conditions or as determined necessary by JMRC. This release is not all inclusive, it is meant to provide information about training events for the local population.

The Joint Multinational Readiness Center is conscious of the impact that training activities have on the local community. We strive to be good members of the community and provide information about what we do. Whenever possible, we avoid training that will inconvenience the local community. We schedule the majority of our training events during weekdays and normal work day hours. Some military training requires training during hours of darkness, and sometimes scheduling requires training on the weekends. The Hohenfels Training Area serves a wide variety of customers, Bundeswehr, Luftwaffe, U.S. military, other NATO Allies, and more. For more information, go to [www.eur.army.mil/jmtc](http://www.eur.army.mil/jmtc).

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