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### 1<sup>ST</sup> ARMORED DIVISION ACCEPTS MULTI-NATIONAL DIVISION – NORTH MISSION IN TIKRIT

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**TIKRIT, Iraq** -- U.S. Army Europe's 1st Armored Division officially assumed control of Multi-National Division – North in a transfer of authority ceremony at Contingency Operating Base Speicher here Oct. 28.



SPC ALFREDO JIMENEZ JR

Maj. Gen. Mark P. Hertling, commander of U.S. Army Europe's 1st Armored Division (at podium, right), speaks to a crowd of U.S., coalition and Iraqi military, political and diplomatic leaders during the division's transfer of authority ceremony at Contingency Operating Base Speicher in Tikrit, Iraq Oct. 28. The division, as "Task Force Iron," is assuming the Multi-National Division - North mission that was the responsibility of the 25th Infantry Division.

Maj. Gen. Mark Hertling, the division's commanding general, accepted responsibility for the MND-N mission from Maj. Gen. Benjamin R. Mixon, commander of the outgoing 25th Infantry Division.

The mission the 1st Armored Division has accepted centers on providing command and control capabilities to Multi-National Division - North. The division brings approximately 1,200 Soldiers to perform their mission in northern Iraq.



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