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Army Announces Next Steps in USAREUR Transformation

HEIDELBERG, Germany — The Department of the Army announced today status changes representing the next steps in USAREUR's transformation for two Germany-based units.

USAREUR will transfer the unit designations, lineage, flags and other heraldic items belonging to 2nd Brigade, 1st Infantry Division and its subordinate units in Schweinfurt to U.S. Army Forces Command no later than March 15. The unit's Soldiers and equipment will remain in place and activate as the 172nd Infantry Brigade effective March 16.

The 172nd Brigade will include the following subordinate units:

- Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 172nd Infantry Brigade (formed from HHC, 2-1 ID)
- 2nd Battalion, 28th Infantry (formed from 1-26 Infantry)
- 1st Battalion, 2nd Infantry (formed from 1-18 Infantry)
- 3rd Battalion, 66th Armor (formed from 1-77 Armor)
- Troop E, 5th Cavalry (formed from Troop E, 4th Cavalry)
- 1st Battalion, 77th Field Artillery (formed from 1-7 Field Artillery)
- 172nd Support Battalion (formed from 299th Support Battalion)

The 57th Signal Company, 9th Engineer Battalion and 504th Military Intelligence Company are not affected by this action.

The relocation of the brigade to Grafenwoehr also remains unchanged and is on schedule as previously announced.

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2nd Brigade, 1st Armored Division and its subordinate units are scheduled to undergo the same transfer process in September 2010. The Soldiers and equipment will remain in place and are scheduled to activate as the 170th Infantry Brigade.

The 170th Brigade will include the following subordinate units:

- HHC, 170th Infantry Brigade (formed from HHC, 2-1 AD)
- 3rd Battalion, 4th Infantry (formed from 1-6 Infantry)
- 2nd Battalion, 18th Infantry (formed from 2-6 Infantry)
- 4th Battalion, 70th Armor (formed from 1-35 Armor)
- Troop D, 5th Cavalry (formed from Troop G, 1st Cavalry)
- 24th Support Battalion (formed from 47th Support Battalion)
- 1st Battalion, 84th Field Artillery (formed from 4th Battalion, 27th Field Artillery)

The 589th Signal Company, 40th Engineer Battalion and 501st Military Intelligence Company are not affected by this action.

These actions were contained in the Dec. 19 Army stationing announcement, but specific timelines and new unit designations were not available. There is no change in the plan that returns both brigades to locations in the United States in 2012 and 2013, respectively.

USAREUR remains grateful for the outstanding support our Soldiers and family members continue to receive in both communities.

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