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Tennessee National Guard military police return from deployment

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Tennessee Army National Guard Soldiers from the 251st Military Police Company, based in Bolivar and Lexington, are scheduled to return Saturday, Feb. 1, after a nearly yearlong deployment to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Roughly 107 members of the unit will return by a chartered flight to the Volunteer Training Site in Smyrna at approximately 12:45 p.m., and complete out-processing from their deployment. The Soldiers will depart by bus at approximately 5 p.m., and travel to the Lexington Armory located on 690 Airways Drive to reunite with family and friends.

The Soldiers will have an escort to Lexington provided by law enforcement and citizen-volunteers beginning at Parkers Crossroads. Arrival at the armory is tentatively planned for 7:30 p.m. All Soldiers will be released after a short ceremony at the Lexington site. No events or transportation are planned for the Bolivar Armory.

More than 28,000 Tennessee Army and Air National Guardsmen have deployed since Sept. 11, 2001.

Family, friends and media are encouraged to attend the event.

NOTE: Arrival and departure times are subject to last-minute changes. In the event of any changes, there will be a media advisory.

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