



News Release

Maryland National Guard



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MARYLAND NATIONAL GUARD UNIT DEPLOYS

BALTIMORE – More than 50 citizen-soldiers from the Maryland National Guard will deploy for up to 18 months from Towson, Md. on Thursday, at 8:00 a.m. in support of Operation Iraq Freedom.

Selected members of the 129th Signal Battalion are being mobilized and will report to Fort Bliss and Fort Hood, Texas for inprocessing into the 116th and 256th Brigade Combat Teams before going to Iraq.

“I am proud of the 129th Signal Battalion, they are skilled citizen-soldiers that have a long history of service to our country and their communities and now they have a major role in America’s war on terror,” said, Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr., governor of Maryland.

Headquartered and Headquarters Company of the 129th Signal Battalion is in Towson, Md. The Battalion’s Alpha Company is in Cheltenham and Bravo Company is in Pikesville and Charlie Company is located in Cumberland, Md.

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Members of the media are welcomed to attend the deployment, Maryland National Guard members will be available for interviews.

**Armory Location: MG (MD) Harry C. Ruhl Armory
1035 York Road
Towson, Md. 21204**