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BATTALION HEADQUARTERS UNIT TO MOBILIZE
IN MID-JUNE FOR OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM

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LINCOLN, Neb. –An Omaha-based Nebraska Army National Guard unit has received word that it will mobilize for Operation Iraqi Freedom in mid-June, according to Maj. Gen. Roger Lempke, adjutant general for Nebraska.

The mobilization order affects approximately 65 Soldiers assigned to Headquarters, 867th Quartermaster Petroleum Supply Battalion, based in Omaha. Normally, the unit would be responsible for running fuel farms and fuel truck operations, however, unit officials say that they have been informed that they will instead be responsible for providing a higher headquarters for approximately 10 companies ranging in missions from ammunition and transportation to petroleum supply.

After mobilizing in mid-June, the unit will undergo several months of post-mobilization training at Camp Shelby, Miss., before finally deploying overseas into the Central Command area of operations. The unit's final destination is not being released at this time.

Currently approximately 800 Nebraska Army National Guard Soldiers are mobilized in support of Operations Enduring Freedom or Iraqi Freedom, which is approximately 23 percent of the entire Army National Guard force in the state of Nebraska. More than 75 percent of the force remains available for homeland defense or other emergency response missions.

A sendoff ceremony for the unit will be held prior to its departure. Details will be released at a later date.