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NEBRASKA ARMY GUARD SOLDIERS TO RETURN TO NEBRASKA ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, AFTER ONE-YEAR MISSION TO IRAQ

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LINCOLN, Neb. – Approximately 125 Nebraska Army National Guard Soldiers will be welcomed back to Nebraska by their families and state officials Friday, September 8, at approximately 5 p.m. at the Lancaster Event Center, 4100 N. 84th St., Lincoln.

The Soldiers – members of the Lincoln based 67th Area Support Group - have been serving in Iraq since mid-September 2005. The Soldiers are commanded by Col. Kenneth Hassler of Lincoln.

While in Iraq, the Soldiers provided the command and control required to run all logistics and operations for numerous units located in or passing through the support group's area of operations at Al Asad, Iraq.

The Soldiers are currently at Fort Riley, KS., where they are undergoing demobilization and administrative processing. They will travel back to Lincoln for the welcome home ceremony located at the Lancaster Event Center.

Among those expected to welcome the Soldiers back to Nebraska are Lt. Governor Rick Sheehy, Maj. Gen. Roger Lempke, adjutant general for Nebraska, and other state and local leaders.

Due to space constraints, the ceremony is not open to the general public.

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Note: The media is invited to cover the welcome home ceremony of the 67th Area Support Group Soldiers. Public Affairs officials will be on hand to assist.