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<u>Media Opportunity</u> **3rd ABCT hosts Uncasing of the Colors ceremony**

FORT CARSON, Colo. — An Uncasing of the Colors ceremony will be hosted by the 3rd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, Dec. 13 at the William Reed Special Events Center.

The uncasing of the colors is a traditional ceremony held by the U.S. Army, which is conducted to officially signify the return of units from forward operations.

The 3rd ABCT, 4th Inf. Div., deployed to Europe earlier this year as part of a regular rotation of forces to support the U.S.'s commitment to NATO allies and partners. The 3rd ABCT will be replaced by the 3rd ABCT, 1st Armored Division, from Fort Bliss, Texas.

"After nine months supporting U.S. European Command and our European allies and partners, our Soldiers are eager to reunite with their friends and Families," said Col. Brian Gilbert, 3rd ABCT commander. "We are truly grateful for their resilience and commitment to excellence these past few months."

The 4th Inf. Div. and Fort Carson deploys forces throughout the world in support of contingency operations that enable U.S. national security.

Media interested in covering this event should RSVP to the Fort Carson Public Affairs Office at (719) 526-7525 no later than 4 p.m. Thursday. Gate call will be provided upon RSVP.

For more information contact the Fort Carson Public Affairs Office at (719) 526-7525. After hours, please contact the 24-hour Fort Carson Operations Center at 526-5500 and ask for the On-Call Public Affairs Officer.