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Media Opportunity **4ID Soldiers “Keep up the Fire,” conduct Manchu Mile**

FORT CARSON, Colo. – Soldiers from 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, will conduct the grueling Manchu Mile May 15-16 on post.

The Manchu Mile is a 25-mile foot march that commemorates the 85-mile forced march undertaken by Soldiers from 9th Infantry Regiment during the Chinese “Boxer Rebellion” in 1900.

This year, over 700 Soldiers from across the installation, as well as six Guardians and two Airmen, will participate in the event.

Beginning at 9 p.m. Thursday, have 12 hours to complete the march through Fort Carson’s winding and steep terrain, all while carrying a 35-pound ruck sack and an M4 carbine.

Soldiers from 9th Regimental organizations across the Army conduct a semi-annual Manchu Mile to instill pride in regimental heritage, build Esprit de Corps and develop physical endurance.

Media are invited to attend the march’s finish-line portion of the event Friday at 7 a.m. Those interested in covering this event should RSVP by 4 p.m. Thursday to the Fort Carson Public Affairs Office at (719) 526-4143.

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.