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Media Opportunity **4ID hosts Battle of Suoi Tre PT event**

FORT CARSON, Colo. – The 4th Infantry Division will host a physical training event honoring the 3rd Brigade, 4th Inf. Div., Soldiers and the attached and assigned units who fought in the Battle of Suoi Tre June 17 on post.

In the early hours of March 21, 1967, less than 450 Soldiers assigned to establish and defend Fire Support Base Gold in Suoi Tre, Vietnam, were heavily attacked by 2,500 Viet Cong fighters.

Although initially overwhelmed by mortar strikes and advancing enemy forces, 4th Inf. Div. troops engaged in a combined arms defense, ultimately smashing though enemy lines and resulting in the largest defeat of Viet Cong forces inflicted by the U.S. during the Vietnam War.

Friday's PT event commemorates the bravery and resilience of those who defended FSB Gold while simulating many aspects of the terrain, engagements and maneuvers found in Suoi Tre.

Divided into teams of approximately 30 members, Soldier from across Fort Carson, as well as service members from Peterson Space Force Base, will complete a two-mile obstacle course, testing participants' grit, strength and endurance.

Media are invited to attend Friday's event beginning at 6:00 a.m. Media interested in attending should RSVP no later than 4 p.m. Thursday to the Fort Carson Public Affairs Office by calling (719) 526-4143/7525 or by responding directly to this email.

For more information contact the Fort Carson Public Affairs Office at (719) 526-4143/7525. After hours please contact the 24-hour Fort Carson Operations Center at (719) 526-5500 and ask for the On-Call Public Affairs Officer.