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Media Opportunity 4ID conducts Ivy Sting exercise, tests new capabilities

FORT CARSON, **Colo**. – The 4th Infantry Division will conduct the first of a series of incremental training exercises to test new warfighting capabilities during a training event Sept. 15-17 on Fort Carson.

The multi-phased event, called Ivy Sting, will incorporate different warfighting functions from the Army's Next Generation Command and Control prototype in order to provide commanders with data necessary to make more, better and faster decisions.

The three-day exercise will focus on familiarizing Soldiers with the new technology while working to expand NGC2 to the division level. The event will also feature Paige Lanier, who served with the 2-77th Field Artillery Regiment, 4th Inf. Div., in 1966, as he fires the 4th Inf. Div.'s final round using the Advanced Field Artillery Tactical Data System (AFATDS).

The final firing symbolizes the Army's transfer to the new Artillery Execution Suite (AXS), which will enable rapid sensor-to-shooter pairing and precision targeting workflows while supporting a data-driven architecture.

Media are invited to attend Wednesday morning's portion of the training where they will observe the final AFATDS firing and speak with subject-matter experts close to the NGC2 initiative. Media interested in attending should RSVP by 4 p.m. Tuesday to the Fort Carson Public Affairs Office by calling (719) 526-4143 or by responding directly to this email.

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.



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