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**MEDIA ADVISORY:** 26th Anniversary of the Battle of Mogadishu

**WHAT:** Fort Drum, NY - The 2nd Battalion 14th Infantry Regiment will hold the 26th Anniversary of the Battle of Mogadishu on Fort Drum, New York, October 3, 2019.

**WHEN:**

October 3, 2019

6:00 a.m. – Opening remarks and Mogadishu Mile history part 1

6:30 a.m. - Mogadishu Mile Run

7:45 a.m. - Wreath Ceremony

1:00 p.m. - Documentary viewing, “Black Hawk Down: the Untold Story”

**WHERE:** Fort Drum, New York

**BACKGROUND:** - These scheduled events will honor the veterans who served in 2-14 IN, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division, during the Battle of Mogadishu, Somalia. The Battle of Mogadishu was part of Operation Gothic Serpent. It was fought on 3-4 October 1993, in Mogadishu, Somalia. Fort Drum commemorates their participation in this battle every year with an annual Mogadishu Mile Run. The events include the memorial run and a documentary screening of "Blackhawk Down: The Untold Story."

Soldiers will present the Mogadishu Mile history in three parts before the run and at stops along the route. Following the annual Mogadishu Mile run the current 2-14 IN leadership will lay a wreath at the memorial for PFC James H. Martin, a 2-14 Soldier who was killed in action. There will be a panel discussion with veterans of the battle after the screening of the documentary.

Media interested in covering the run should be at the Media Ops location on NYS RTE 26 no later than 5:30 a.m. on October 3.

Media interested in covering the documentary viewing should be at the Media Ops location on NYS RTE 26 no later than 12:15 p.m. on October 3.

**Note:** Media interested in attending should RSVP to SSG Paige Behringer at

Paige.l.behringer.mil@mail.mil. An RSVP is required no later than 4:00p.m. Wednesday, October 2.

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