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2017 Fort Meade Community Covenant Signing

EVENT: Fort Meade Community Covenant SigningWHEN: Monday, Nov. 20 at 1:30 p.m.WHERE: Odenton Regional Library, 1325 Annapolis Road, Odenton MD, 21113

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Installation Commander Col. Thomas S. Rickard will join state and federal dignitaries as well as business, community and government organizations to sign this year's Community Covenant. Those signing the covenant have an interest in addressing the needs, issues and concerns of service members, veterans, civilians and their families in the Fort Meade region.

Guests signing the Community Covenant include Congressman Dutch Ruppersberger, Congressman John Sarbanes and Maryland's Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army Turhan Robinson and State Comptroller Peter V. R. Franchot.

The mission of the Fort Meade Community Covenant Council is to provide the Fort Meade Military Community with the support and resources reflective of the commitment they have made to our Nation. The Fort Meade Military Community is an integral component of our region and our Council pledges to make every effort to identify needs, fill those needs and gaps, and mobilize resources.

DIRECTIONS: Just off 175 at Winmeyer Avenue, close to the intersection of 170 and 175. For more information go to www.aacpl.net/location/odenton.

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BACKGROUND: Fort George G. Meade, established in 1917, is the largest employer in the state of Maryland and with more than 54,000 employees, is the third largest Army installation in the continental United States in terms of personnel. We are the home to all branches of military service; Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine and Coast Guard and serve as the home for 119 partner organizations including U. S. Cyber Command, the National

Security Agency, the Defense Information Systems Agency, the Defense Information School as well as federal agencies like the Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Science Center.

EDITOR'S NOTE: For more information, or if you are interested in covering this event, please contact Mary Doyle in the Fort Meade Public Affairs Office at (301) 677-5592 or mary.l.doyle14.civ@mail.mil

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