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MEDIA ADVISORY

Media wishing to cover the force protection exercise are welcome to do so on Thursday, March 3, 2016 and must pre-coordinate media activities.

Members of the media are required to coordinate coverage and RSVP no later than Wednesday, March 2, 2016 by 5 p.m., with the state Public Affairs Office at 512-782-5620; email: ng.tx.txarng.mbx.pao@mail.mil.

All media must arrive no later than 12 p.m. on March 3rd at the Camp Mabry Maintenance Drive gate off of 35th Street and will be required to show credentials at the gate.

FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLIC RELEASE:

Texas National Guard to host coordinated force protection exercise with local first responders

AUSTIN, Texas (Feb. 29, 2016) – The Texas Military Department, along with the Austin Police Department, Austin Fire Department and Austin/Travis County Emergency Medical Services will conduct a coordinated force protection training exercise at Camp Mabry, in Austin, on Thursday afternoon.

The readiness and safety of Camp Mabry personnel and the camp's civilian neighbors is a top priority of the Texas National Guard leadership. This scenario-driven training exercise will test the policies and procedures in place, enhance security, improve communication between agencies and provide valuable hands-on training necessary for Camp Mabry security and local responders to better prepare, respond and protect the camp and its surrounding areas.

Again, this is an interagency training exercise and there are no immediate threats to Camp Mabry. During this time, the post will remain open to the public, however it is possible visitors will experience service delays.

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The mission of the Texas Military Department (TMD) is to provide the Governor and the President with ready and trained forces in support of the citizens of Texas and State and Federal civil/military authorities at home and abroad.

The Texas Military Department is commanded by the Adjutant General of Texas, the state's senior military official appointed by the governor, and is comprised of the Texas Military Department (formerly the Adjutant General's Department), the Texas Army National Guard (TXARNG), the Texas Air National Guard (TXANG), the Texas State Guard (TXSG) and the Domestic Operations Command (DOMOPS).

For more information about the Texas Military Department visit our Website at <https://tmd.texas.gov>.

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