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MEDIA ADVISORY

Media is invited to cover the airborne training exercise at the North Texas Regional Airport in Denison, Texas on Friday, April 20, 2018, at 9:30 p.m. and must arrive no later than 8:30 p.m. (this is a firm time) to allow for parking and coordination. Leadership and Soldiers from the unit will be available for interviews following the exercise.

Members of the media are required to RSVP no later than Friday, April 20, by 12:00 p.m. with the 36th Infantry Division public affairs Maj. Randall Stillinger at 817-714-3258 or randall.m.stillinger.mil@mail.mil.

The North Texas Regional Airport is located at 4700 Airport Dr., Denison, Texas 75020. Media will be required to show credentials. Media will be escorted to the observation area.

FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLIC RELEASE:

Texas Airborne Battalion Conduct Air Assault Training Exercise

AUSTIN, Texas (April 18, 2018) – On Friday, April 20, 2018 at 9:30 p.m., the 1st Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment (Airborne), 71st Expeditionary Military Intelligence Brigade, 36th Infantry Division will conduct and airborne training exercise at the North Texas Regional Airport in Denison, Texas.

The exercise will include an airborne jump from eight C-130 aircraft and a seizure of the airfield utilizing blank small arms munitions and pyrotechnic armaments. This training allows Soldiers the ability to receive a more realistic opportunity to use their skill sets in a safe environment.

Citizens in and around the area of the airport and/or training will hear loud noises, but should not be alarmed as it part of the exercise. The Texas Department of Emergency Management is aware of the exercise and will be on site.

The 1-143rd Airborne Battalion is an Associated Unit Pilot program partner with the 173rd Airborne Brigade based out of Vicenza, Italy. The partnership allows the Active and reserve components to train together and share experiences in line with the Army's Total Force Policy.

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The 1-143rd Airborne Battalion will conduct training in Poland later this year.

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