



U.S. Congressman
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HUNTINGTON 254TH TRANSPORTATION CO. TAKEN OFF ALERT STATUS

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- U.S. Rep. Nick Rahall (D-WV) today announced that the 254th Transportation Co., a unit of the National Guard, has been called off of alert status for deployment to the Persian Gulf.

"These proud men and women are willing to make any sacrifice asked of them for our country," said Rahall. "And I know that the families and friends of those who were on alert will be relieved to know this latest development."

Rahall added that this action does not rule out the possibility of a subsequent requirement for alert status and call-up of this unit,

"But we know that these men and women, like the generations of proud West Virginians before them, will be equally up to the task if called upon again."

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INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

The Secretary of the Army, in response to the Commander in Chief's decision and with the guidance of the Secretary of Defense, alerted specific units of the Army National Guard and the Army Reserve for activation. Units alerted for possible call-up were based on planned theater requirements to support deployed combat forces. The list of units reflected the existing situation and was valid at the time of development. Since that time there have been many changes in theater operational requirements, host nation support agreements, and coalition support arrangements. These changes have resulted in an evolutionary force structure and have obviated the need at this time for certain units that were previously alerted. This action does not preclude the possibility of a subsequent requirement for alert and call-up of these units. A listing of units removed from alert status is attached.

Information concerning this action can be obtained through normal Army legislative liaison channels or through special information lines by calling:

Office of the Chief of the National Guard Bureau (703) 695-6998

Office of the Chief of the Army Reserve (703) 697-2437/9741/7420

Office of the Chief of Legislative Liaison (703) 697-4418

WEST VIRGINIA

<u>Unit (Elements of)</u>	<u>Mission</u>	<u>City</u>
254th Transportation Co *	Light Truck	Huntington

* National Guard

** Army Reserve