

# **Missouri National Guard 2009 Command Information Brief (Notes)**

## **Slide 1 - Presentation Front**

### **Slide 2 - Our Mission Statement**

"The National Guard is the only branch of the military that supports the President of the United States and the Governor of their state. This unique aspect is called our dual mission."

### **Slide 3 - Our Dual Mission**

"The National Guard is the only Armed Service that has two missions.  
-to provide Federal support when called -to provide support to State authorities when needed."

### **Slide 4 - Our State Mission**

"Before the terrorist attacks on America, when people thought of the Missouri National Guard, they typically pictured Guard members filling sandbags and helping transport people during the floods of 1993. Our role has expanded since Sept. 11, with Guard members continually serving around the world and around our country."

### **Slide 5 - Our Federal Mission**

"In addition to being prepared for anything the Governor might need from us, the Missouri National Guard must be ready for any mission from the President, including peacekeeping missions across the globe or the war against terrorism."

### **Slide 6 - Serving around the world**

"Our Guard members are accomplishing missions around the world."

### **Slide 7 - The Global War on Terror**

"From Afghanistan to Iraq, here at home to Germany, the Global War on Terror is being fought all around the world and Missouri National Guard members are there."

### **Slide 8 - The Global War on Terror Continued**

Missouri Army Strength

### **Slide 9 - The Global War on Terror Continued**

Missouri Air Strength

### **Slide 10 - Kosovo Force**

"The Missouri Army National Guard continues to fulfill worldwide missions in addition to the Global War on Terrorism and homeland security to include the largest unit mobilization of forces since World War I. The Missouri Guard welcomed the Citizen-Soldiers home in Spring 2009.

### **Slide 11 - Agribusiness Development Team**

The Missouri National Guard was the pilot team for the nation. Our second ADT is currently working in Nangarhar Province and our third team is preparing to deploy in Fall 2009/ The objective of the Missouri Guard's Agribusiness Development Team is to provide farmers in Afghanistan, specifically Nangarhar Province, with innovative ways to improve their crop yields through the use of agriculture experts. Our team works with partners, Missouri Farm Bureau, University of Missouri-Columbia and Lincoln University to help with a variety of programs there.

### **Slide 12 - Force Structure**

#### **Slide 13 - Army Guard Units: Military Police**

"Our four military police companies and two battalion headquarters have always been busy, but since Sept. 11, every unit has been mobilized overseas. In 2009 and 2010 most of our Military Police units have a planned mobilization for Iraq or Afghanistan."

#### **Slide 14 - Army Guard Units: Maintenance, Signal, Supply and Transportation**

"Our support units have been increasingly busy with skills essential to sustaining the large number of mobilized Soldiers around the world. Support units provide essential services such as: maintenance, supply and transportation functions to support war-fighters."

#### **Slide 15 - Army Guard Units: Engineers**

"Engineers enjoy a diverse range of activities, from Innovative Readiness Training exercises right in their hometowns to helping build schools in Iraq. Engineer are an important asset in the Global War on Terrorism, and also for local state emergency duties.

#### **Slide 16 - Army Guard Units: Field Artillery**

"Our Field Artillery units have transformed since the terrorist attacks on our nation. Probably the most famous Field Artillery unit in the Missouri Guard is Battery D located in Independence. This unit is known as "Truman's Own" unit because it was the unit President Harry S. Truman commanded during World War I."

#### **Slide 17 - Army Guard Units: Aviation**

"Our Blackhawk and Apache helicopters have served worldwide in support of wartime actions, humanitarian missions as well as in the support of law enforcement support missions. In 2008 and 2009 our Blackhawks have been deployed to Iraq"

#### **Slide 18 - Army Guard Units: Infantry**

"Because of overwhelming successes in recruiting and retention, the Missouri National Guard gained an 800-Soldier Infantry Battalion in 2007, stationed strategically across the state. The unit was announced in September 2007 and recruiting began immediately. We are currently enlisting new Soldiers into the unit. Later in 2008, we will allow current Missouri Guard Soldiers to transfer into the battalion."

#### **Slide 19 - Missouri Air National Guard Locations**

“The Missouri Air National Guard comprises about one quarter of the entire Missouri National Guard and they are stationed at six locations across the state. The Air Guard also operates the Cannon Range Training Site South of Fort Leonard Wood.”

**Slide 20 - Missouri Air Guard: 131st Bomb Wing**

“In 2006, the Missouri Guard’s 131st Bomb Wing, in St. Louis and Whiteman AFB, was selected as the first-even Guard unit selected to support the B-2 Stealth Bomber fleet based at Whiteman Air Force Base. The unit previously flew F-15 Eagle aircraft.”

**Slide 21 - Missouri Air Guard: 139th Airlift Wing**

“The C-130 cargo and personnel transport aircraft with the 139<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing in St. Joseph also support various efforts in southwest Asia. Rosecrans Air National Guard Base is also the home to the Advanced Airlift Tactics Training Center, which trains air crews from all over the world in current tactics.”

**Slide 22 - Missouri Air Guard: 157<sup>th</sup> Air Operations Group**

“The 157<sup>th</sup> Air Operations Group, based at Jefferson Barracks, responds to operational requirements for the Air Force’s Pacific region.

**Slide 23 - Serving throughout the community**

“While our priority is our deployed Soldiers and Airmen, we remain very involved in communities around the state, as we are a vital role in connecting the military to the civilian communities. We take our role as the ‘Hometown Guard’ very seriously and have several programs that help us in our efforts.”

**Slide 24 - Veterans Award Program**

“As of April 2009, the State of Missouri has honored 44,730 World War II Veterans, 15,543 Korean War Veterans and 23,865 Vietnam War Veterans.

**Slide 25 - Military Funeral Honors Program**

“Our Military Funeral Honors program was the first in the nation to provide funeral honors to every honorably discharge veteran of the U.S. military. Before the program was established, only veterans who had served in wartime or had retired from the military were eligible for the honors. This program would not be possible without the support of various Veterans Service Organizations around the state.”

**Slide 26 - Weapons of Mass Destruction Team**

“The Missouri National Guard's 7<sup>th</sup> Civil Support Team meets with hundreds of first responders from Missouri every year, training personnel and coordinating response. The team is designed to provide Nuclear, Biological, Chemical and Radiological detection, assessment, advice to the Incident Commander, and facilitate military support to local first responders, in situations involving Weapons of Mass Destruction.”

**Slide 27 - Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear And High-Yield Explosive (CBRNE) Enhanced Response Force Package (CERFP)**

The CERFP, on order, will respond to a Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, or

high yield Explosive (CBRNE) incident and support local, state, and federal agencies managing the consequences of the event by providing capabilities to conduct casualty/patient decontamination, medical support, and casualty search and extraction. Your Missouri National Guard team was certified in 2009.

**Slide 28 - On the Home front: Earthquake readiness**

“The Missouri National Guard is prepared to serve the state in the event of a serious seismic event. National Guard leaders have coordinated with federal, state and local agencies to prepare to respond quickly in the event of this type of natural disaster.”

**Slide 29 - On the Home front: State Emergency Duty**

“The Missouri Guard has served the citizens when called upon by the governor for State Emergency Duty. Since 2005, Citizen-Soldiers and Airmen provided essential support to Missouri communities and other states in need more than a dozen times. Services provided to local communities included: health checks, power generation, water distribution, route clearance and assistance to local law enforcement.”

**Slide 30 - Follow you Missouri National Guard**

Online Resources

**Slide 31 - Preparing for the future**

“With the conclusion of many missions to protect and serve our citizens, the Missouri National Guard is continually training and planning to prepare for future missions.”

**Slide 32 - Conclusion**