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## BIG RED ONE TO PERSIAN GULF

## FT. RILEY FORCES HEAD TO THE MIDDLE EAST

KANSANS ARE PROUD OF THE BIG RED ONE AND I KNOW THE ENTIRE STATE JOINS ME IN WISHING OUR TROOPS ALL THE BEST AS THEY HEAD TO THE MIDDLE EAST. WE WILL CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION TO THE GULF CRISIS AND HOPE THAT THE FIRST INFANTRY'S PRESENCE IN THE GULF WILL HELP CONVINCE SADDAM HUSSEIN IT IS TIME FOR HIM TO GIVE UP HIS DANGEROUS GAME.

NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, IT'S A TON OF FORCE COMING AT HIM FROM AMERICA'S HEARTLAND -- HUNDREDS OF ADVANCED TANKS, ARTILLERY PIECES, HELICOPTERS, AIR DEFENSE FORCES AND THOUSANDS OF THE WORLD'S FINEST SOLDIERS. LET'S HOPE SADDAM FINALLY GETS THE MESSAGE.

MEANWHILE, TODAY'S DEPLOYMENT PROVES ONCE AGAIN JUST HOW VALUABLE FT. RILEY IS TO OUR NATION'S DEFENSE FORCE AND HOW PROUD WE ARE TO HAVE IT IN OUR STATE.