

MEMORANDUM

March 14, 2002

TO: Governor

FROM: John

RE: Farewell ceremony for 20 Army Reserve soldiers (3rd Personnel Command)

This is a farewell ceremony for 20 soldiers from the 3rd Personnel Command (3rd PERSCOM), Army Reserve. They were mobilized March 13. They will be leaving for southwest Asia, where they will support personnel / human resource operations. According to Lt. Col. Tim Powell, they are responsible for knowing where every individual soldier is at any given time, so their work – while not necessarily dangerous or glamorous – is very important.

The ceremony is scheduled to begin at 11:30 am, with a potluck luncheon afterwards.

FYI: 150 personnel from the 172nd Air Wing are deploying back to Ramstein AFB in Germany to support an Air Guard wing out of Memphis. Lt. Col. Powell said they do this on a fairly regular basis, so this will not receive much (if any) media attention.