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Governor Ronnie Musgrove:

"Safety has always been a priority. Certainly, some of our scope of efforts changed after September 11. We began looking at our mission differently, as did the rest of the nation. We are significantly more prepared and we continue to make the safety of our people a priority. Mississippi has some of the best National Guard members in America protecting us today. Whether it be overseas on the battlefield in Iraq, or on the ground right here in Mississippi, our guard and other law enforcement officials are ensuring our safety at home."