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General Court Martial Conveying Authority Refers Charges Against Pfc. Bradley E. Manning

FORT LESLEY J. MCNAIR, D.C. – After reviewing the investigating officer's report of charges under Article 32, Uniformed Code of Military Justice, the recommendations from the chain of command, and the case file, the general court martial convening authority, Maj. Gen. Michael S. Linnington, referred all charges and specifications to a general court martial today in the case of U.S. vs. Pfc. Bradley E. Manning.

A military judge will be detailed by the U.S. Army Trial Judiciary and that military judge will set the date for Manning's arraignment, motion hearings and trial.

Pfc. Manning is charged with aiding the enemy; wrongfully causing intelligence to be published on the internet knowing that it is accessible to the enemy; theft of public property or records; transmitting defense information; fraud and related activity in connection with computers; and for violating Army Regulations 25-2 "Information Assurance" and 380-5 "Department of the Army Information Security Program."

If convicted of all charges, Manning would face a maximum punishment of reduction to the lowest enlisted pay grade, E-1; total forfeiture of all pay and allowances; confinement for life; and a dishonorable discharge.

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