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Army transfers Soldier to U.S. base for pre-trial confinement

WASHINGTON, D.C. (July 29, 2009) – Pfc. Bradley E. Manning arrived last night at the pre-trial confinement facility on Quantico Marine Base, Va. as part of the transfer of court-martial jurisdiction in this case to the U. S. Army Military District of Washington.

Manning had been confined at Camp Arifjan, Kuwait, since May 29. He was charged on July 5 with four specifications under Article 92 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice for violating Army Regulation 25-2 (Information Assurance Policy), and eight specifications under Article 134 for violating federal statutes related to the receipt of classified information (18 U.S.C. 793) and wrongful access of a government computer (18 U.S.C. 1030).

With this transfer to Quantico, Manning is now under the General Court-Martial Convening Authority of Maj. Gen. Karl R. Horst, commanding general, MDW. Manning will remain in pre-trial confinement as the Army continues its investigation.

Maj. Gen. Terry Wolff, the General Court-Martial Convening Authority and commanding general of the 1st Armored Division/US Division - Center, currently deployed to Iraq, requested the transfer to MDW due to a potentially lengthy pre-trial confinement because of the complexity of charges and an ongoing investigation. The field confinement facility in Kuwait is designed for short-term confinement. Manning's unit in Iraq, the 2nd Brigade of the 10th Mountain Division, is also in the process of redeploying to its home station at Fort Drum, N.Y.

The criminal investigation remains open. Preferral of charges represents an accusation only; Pfc. Manning is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

Manning, of Potomac, Md., entered the Army in Oct. 2007 as an intelligence analyst (Military Occupational Specialty 35F). He was assigned to the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division. His awards and decorations include the National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal and the Army Service Ribbon.