

# Media Advisory

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## Armed Forces Day 2017

### Non-commissioned officers to Lay Wreath at Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

**WHO & WHAT:** Command Sgt. Maj. John W. Troxell, senior enlisted advisor to the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and Command Sgt. Maj. Paul E. Biggs, command sergeant major, Joint Force Headquarters-National Capital Region and the U.S. Army Military District of Washington will conduct an Armed Forces Full Honor wreath-laying ceremony to commemorate the 68th Armed Forces Day.

**WHEN:** Saturday, May 20 at 10 a.m.

**WHEN & WHERE:** Tomb of the Unknown Soldier,  
Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia.

**REGISTRATION:** Media interested in covering these ceremonies must register by **3 p.m., Friday, May 19**. To be placed on the credentialed list, send an email to [usarmy.mcnaair.mdw.mbx.mediadesk-omb@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.mcnaair.mdw.mbx.mediadesk-omb@mail.mil) with the following information:

- **Full Name (first, middle initial and last)**
- **Media Organization and Assignment (e.g. camera, still photographer)**
- **Contact Phone Number**
- **Email Address**

#### EDITOR'S NOTES:

- In the United States, Armed Forces Day is celebrated on the third Saturday in May. Armed Forces Week, which begins on the second Saturday of May and ends on the third Sunday of May.
- First observed, 20 May 1950, to honor Americans serving in the five U.S. military branches – Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Coast Guard – following the consolidation of the military services in the U.S. Department of Defense.
- Because of their unique training schedules, National Guard and Reserve units may celebrate Armed Forces Day/Week over any period in the month of May.
- The U.S. Army Military District of Washington Public Affairs Office will contact media outlets with their credential status no later than **5 p.m., Friday, May 19**.
- Media interested in covering the events live are permitted to bring mobile broadcasting equipment capable of live feeds. Please provide this information when registering.

For additional details, send an email to the U.S. Army Military District of Washington Public Affairs Office at [usarmy.mcnaair.mdw.mbx.mediadesk-omb@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.mcnaair.mdw.mbx.mediadesk-omb@mail.mil) or call 202-685-4645.

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