

# News Release

Joint Task Force – National Capital Region

*Guardians of the Nation's Capital*



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## **Military training flights in the nation's capital to enhance military response capability**

**FORT LESLEY J. McNAIR, D.C.** – The Joint Task Force - National Capital Region, in coordination with the Federal Aviation Administration and multiple interagency partners, will conduct an emergency preparedness training exercise, Thursday, July 30 in the Washington, D.C. area.

As part of this military training exercise, the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force will conduct multiple flights with UH-60L “Black Hawk” and UH-1 “Huey” aircraft operating between 200 - 1,000 feet above ground level throughout the day.

The exercise is intended to continue the collaboration efforts between DOD and interagency partners, promote emergency preparedness and will refine and improve the military's ability to respond to natural and manmade disasters.

For more information on this training exercise, please send an email to the U.S. Army Military District of Washington Communication Office at [usarmy.mcnair.mdw.mbx.mediadesk-omb@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.mcnair.mdw.mbx.mediadesk-omb@mail.mil) or call (202) 497-2011.

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### **EDITOR'S NOTES:**

On March 16, the Joint Force Headquarters-National Capital Region (JFHQ-NCR) was designated as Joint Task Force-National Capital Region (JTF-NCR) in support of COVID-19 pandemic. JFHQ-NCR, based at Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C. plans, partners, maintains situational awareness, and as directed, employs forces as a Joint Task Force conducting homeland defense and civil support operations to defend and secure the National Capital Region. The command is subordinate to the United States Northern Command at Peterson Air Force Base in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

- The military training flights have been carefully planned and will be closely controlled.
- No ordinance of any kind will be employed during this exercise.
- Military training flights are subjected to being cancelled due to inclement weather.