



# USAREUR Release

**HQ U.S. ARMY EUROPE**  
Office of the Chief of Public Affairs  
Unit 29351 APO AE 09014  
Postfach 10 43 21 69033 Heidelberg  
Tel.: 06221-57-8694/5816/6647  
Email: [ocpa.pi@EUR.ARMY.MIL](mailto:ocpa.pi@EUR.ARMY.MIL)

---

**December 04, 2009**  
**Release No. 20091204-01**

## **U.S. and Romanian Troops Prepare for Afghanistan Deployment**

HEIDELBERG, Germany— Soldiers from the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment and the Romanian Land Forces 33<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Battalion are participating in a mission rehearsal exercise at the U.S Army Europe's Joint Multinational Readiness Center from Dec. 1-16, in preparation for their pending deployment to Afghanistan together.

1st Bn., 4<sup>th</sup> Inf. Regt., has supported the International Security Assistance Force since 2005 and is currently on their ninth rotation serving with their Romanian counterparts. This is one of the few U.S. military units that have served under the command and control of a foreign military.

To date, more than 1,200 Soldiers from the unit have deployed alongside their Romanian partners to Afghanistan. Approximately 170 U.S. Soldiers deploy for six to eight months during each ISAF rotation. When not deployed, 1st Bn., 4<sup>th</sup> Inf. Regt., serves as opposing force at the JMRC in Hohenfels, Germany, providing realistic training for U.S. and allied troops preparing for deployments to anywhere in the world.

As one of U.S. Army Europe's Joint Multinational Training Command's supporting directorates, the JMRC develops and executes training for units preparing for deployment to combat operations. The JMTC's central European location is designed for forward-based training, while also building and strengthening ties with our current and emerging partners in Europe. The JMTC is the only U.S. Army Command that routinely trains joint, multinational, and allied partners.

For more information, contact the JMTC public affairs office at (49) 09641-83-7776/6617.

-30-

About us: The U.S. Army in Europe, with NATO and other coalition partners from throughout its 51-country area of responsibility, trains for, conducts, and supports contingency operations. Headquartered in Heidelberg, Germany, USAREUR has forces throughout Germany as well as in Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands, Bulgaria, and Romania, and in Afghanistan and Iraq.