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MEDIA ADVISORY: 88 Ranger students graduate Friday, Oct. 16

FORT BENNING, Georgia – 87 men and one woman met the standards of the Ranger Course and will graduate Friday in a ceremony at 10 a.m. at Fort Benning, Georgia.

The Ranger Course is the Army's premier combat leadership course, teaching Ranger students how to overcome fatigue, hunger and stress to lead Soldiers during small unit combat operations. Male and female Ranger students have proven their determination, physical stamina and mental toughness to succeed, and have earned the right to wear the Ranger Tab.

The Ranger Course is a 62-day course on leadership and small unit tactics that pushes Ranger students to their mental and physical limits by forcing them to operate on minimal food and sleep. During the course, students learn how to operate in three different environments: woodlands in Fort Benning, mountainous terrain in Dahlonega, Georgia, and coastal swamp in Eglin Air Force Base, Florida.

A media panel interview with select Ranger graduates will be available at 8:15 a.m. Camp Rogers prior to the graduation. The media pick up time will be 7:45 a.m. Friday at the Harmony Church access control point. Media interested in covering these events should contact the MCoE Public Affairs Office to coordinate a media escort.

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