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MEDIA ADVISORY: Fort Benning to commemorate ANZAC Day with a sunrise service

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FORT BENNING, Ga. – The Maneuver Center of Excellence and Fort Benning, with the Australian Army Liaison Office, will commemorate ANZAC Day April 25 with a sunrise service at the 173rd Airborne Brigade Sky Soldier Memorial at the National Infantry Museum.

This service observes the anniversary of the 1915 landing of Australia and New Zealand Army Corps soldiers at Gallipoli in what was then the Ottoman Empire and is now Turkey. More than 8,000 ANZAC soldiers died during the Gallipoli campaign of World War I. The commemorative service, like the ones observed in Australia, took place at dawn because that was when the amphibious landing of the 1915 campaign took place.

Members of the media who wish to cover this event should call the Public Affairs Office at 706-905-2737 or email <u>lori.a.egan.civ@mail.mil</u>. Media planning on attending to cover the ceremony should arrive at the National Infantry Museum no later than 5:30 a.m. April 25.

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