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MEDIA ADVISORY

Wright-Patt Reserve unit begins training on C-17s

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio – Members of the 445th Airlift Wing will begin C-17 training Thursday on an aircraft on loan from Joint Base Charleston, S.C.

In an effort to prepare aircrews and maintenance personnel for its upcoming C-17 mission, a 445th Airlift aircrew will fly a C-17 from Joint Base Charleston to Wright-Patterson AFB. The aircraft is scheduled to be reassigned to the 445th at a date to be determined.

Currently, 10 pilots and six load masters, equating to three aircrews, have completed C-17 training at Altus Air Force Base, Okla. In addition, 32 maintainers were trained on the new air frame at Joint Base Charleston.

This aircraft is scheduled to be a maintenance trainer. A maintenance field training team from Air Education and Training Command will be on hand to train 445th maintenance personnel on this airplane.

An additional aircraft is anticipated to arrive in February to provide aircrews with a training platform.

NOTE: MEDIA INTERESTED IN COVERING THE ARRIVAL ARE REQUESTED TO R.S.V.P. NOT LATER THAN 10 A.M. THURSDAY. Contact: Lt. Col. Cynthia Harris, 445 AW/PA, (937) 257-5784, (937) 671-0481 or cynthia.harris@wpafb.af.mil. Please plan to arrive at 3:15 p.m. at Gate 26A off State Route 235 in Fairborn.