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ATF TO CERTIFY BOMB-SNIFFING DOGS FROM SOUTHEAST TO IDENTIFY PEROXIDE-BASED AND HOMEMADE EXPLOSIVES

CHARLOTTE – Members of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) mobile canine explosives training team will certify explosives detection canines, or bomb-sniffing dogs, from local police departments, as well as federal agencies at the National Guard Armory in Fayetteville, North Carolina, on the National Odor Recognition Test (NORT) developed by explosives experts and chemists. Specialized “imprinting” for K-9s to recognize peroxide-based explosives will be conducted.

News media can film a demonstration of the canine/handler teams training and interview ATF trainers and attendees **THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.**

WHO: ATF explosives detection canine trainers, ATF forensic chemists, Explosives detection canines/handlers.

WHAT: National Odor Recognition Testing (NORT) and homemade explosives training of U.S. southeastern region explosives canine teams (OPEN MEDIA EVENT)

WHEN: Thursday, May 17, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.
(Media should arrive by 9:30 a.m. for set up and pre-briefing.)

WHERE: National Guard Armory
3555 Owen Drive
Fayetteville, NC 28306

NOTE: Media should arrive no later than 9:30 a.m. and will be greeted by ATF PIO Team Leader Earl Woodham at the main entrance of the armory for escort into the facility.

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