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## MEDIA ALERT

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### 8 Guardsmen to support ADC in COVID-19 fight

*~ Medical personnel from 188<sup>th</sup> Air Wing and 189<sup>th</sup> Air Wing to assist with medical screening*

**WHO:** Governor Asa Hutchinson

**WHAT:** approved the state active duty call-up of an additional 8 Guardsmen to support the Arkansas Department of Corrections

**WHEN:** August 6, 2020,

**WHERE:** the Arkansas Department of Corrections, 6814 Princeton Pike, Pine Bluff, Ark.

**WHY:** Arkansas Air National Guardsmen will assist the Arkansas Department of Corrections with COVID-19 screening under the direction of Wellpath, the contracted medical provider. The Guardsmen will report to the Department of Corrections on August 10.

In addition to the 8 called to duty today, 40 Guardsmen are still providing the following support to state agencies:

- Four Guardsmen are providing logistics support to distribute personal protective equipment and medical supplies at a warehouse in North Little Rock, Ark.
- Nine Guardsmen are providing case management and call center support at Washington Regional Medical Center in Fayetteville, Ark.
- Fourteen Guardsmen are providing facility support and patient transport at a COVID-19 positive isolation facility in Little Rock, Ark.
- Thirteen Guardsmen are providing case management support at the Arkansas Department of Health in Little Rock, Ark.

The Arkansas National Guard assumes support roles to augment civil authorities, where needed and directed by the Governor, to help in a crisis.