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Family of Soldier killed in Somalia Scheduled to Speak

PHOENIX (June 13, 2018) – Family members of a local Soldier killed in Somalia last week are scheduled to hold a press conference tomorrow at the Arizona National Guard’s Papago Park Military Reservation.

Family members will talk about Staff Sgt. Alexander W. Conrad, 26, of Chandler, Arizona, who died June 8 from injuries sustained from enemy indirect fire. The family is providing this opportunity to discuss Staff Sgt. Conrad, not the incident itself which is currently under investigation.

Conrad was assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

For more information regarding Conrad, media may contact U.S. Army Special Operations Command Public Affairs Office, Lt. Col. Robert Bockholt at 910-494-1589, or via email at matthew.bockholt@socom.mil.

Additional queries may also be directed to U.S. Africa Command (Stuttgart, Germany) Public Affairs Office at +49-(0)151-4217-6009 or +49-(0)9641-70-591-0229 or via email to africom-pao-media@mail.mil.

Admin note: date of incident/death given is local time for Somalia.

Who: Family of Staff Sgt. Alexander W. Conrad

What: Press Conference

When: Thursday, June 14, 2018
1100-1200

Where: G1 “One Stop” Class Room
5636 E. McDowell Road M5710
Phoenix, Ariz. 85008

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NOTES TO MEDIA:

Directions to 5636 E. McDowell Rd., Bldg. M5710, Phoenix:

Take I-10 to SR 143 North. Exit on SR 143 North. SR 143 Ends on McDowell Road. Turn right onto McDowell. Proceed east on McDowell to Bushmaster Drive (56th St.) and turn RIGHT (south) to enter the facility. Take a right after entering the gate. Drive to the bottom of the hill. The venue is in the last building on the right. Designated parking is available.

MEDIA WILL BE GUIDED TO RESERVED PARKING.

**Media interested in attending this event should plan on arriving on location
NO EARLIER THAN 10:15 a.m. / NO LATER THAN 10:45 a.m. AND RSVP to:**

Sgt. 1st Class Monette Wesolek at 602-267-7659 monette.a.wesolek.mil@mail.mil. or
Pvt. 1st Class An Vuong at 602-267-2550 or 602-267-2318 / an.l.vuong.mil@mail.mil

Live shots and interviews will be available, but we ask that you call ahead so we may assist in planning your visit.

