

INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

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File 3-EXE

To Lieutenant Colonel M. K. Gaskill Attention District Commanders

From Major Joshua M. Swindell, Commander, Office of Field Operations

Subject Texas Deployment Detail

Overview and Scope

The Ohio State Highway Patrol has been requested to assist Texas Department of Public Safety with an influx of immigrants crossing the southern United States border. The Division will be sending a total of 14 sworn officers to assist with this detail. Units will depart on July 20th and return on August 4th, 2021. The units assigned to the detail will be assisting Texas DPS July 22nd through August 2nd, with the remainder of the days dedicated to travel both to and from the detail. All units assigned to the detail should report to the Academy at 0700 hours for a detail briefing with intent to depart for Texas by 0800 hours. Unit should be prepared to travel in plain clothes.

Schedules

Units assigned to the detail will need their schedules set prior to departure. All payroll entries will be taken care of by the logistics team assigned to the detail, no TMS entries should be made by the units or their local supervision. All units should have the following days as time off days: July 18th, 19th, 25th, 26th, August 5th and 6th. They should have 0800 start time and 1600 end time for days assigned to the detail. The exact schedule units will be working is unknown at this time and will possibly remain fluid during the detail. Schedule adjustments will be made by detail supervision.

Arrival

When units arrive at the Academy, they should park their vehicles in the rear lot. Academy Staff will have a designated place for units to park. Units should bring their keys into the Academy and keys will be kept in a secured location for the units. All units should report to the gymnasium. An equipment inspection will take place prior to departure. Units that drive to the Academy in a marked patrol car will change to plain clothes in the locker rooms attached to the gym. We will conduct a detail briefing prior to departure.

Per Diem

The units assigned to the detail will receive a per diem check once they arrive at the Academy. The Ohio State Highway Patrol Federal Credit Union will convert the signed per diem checks to a pre-paid Visa card for \$500 and the remaining balance will be issues in cash.

Transportation

The detail will be using four unmarked Division vehicles for transportation to Texas. One mobile field force van, two Dodge caravans and one Dodge Durango will be used for transporting the units to Texas. Units will be traveling in plain clothes and are projected to stop near a halfway point with overnight accommodations.

Uniforms

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Units will be in plain clothes for travel days. All other assignment days, units will be wearing grey TDU's with short sleeve grey TDU shirts. Gun belts and rocky boots or athletic chukkas will be worn with the TDU's. Units will be wearing ball caps as head cover. No Class C uniforms or Stetsons will be needed for the detail.

Equipment

The following is a list of equipment that units will need for the detail:

- 3 Grey TDU short sleeve shirts – Being provided by Tailor Shop
- 3 Grey TDU Pants – Being provided by Tailor Shop
- Ball Cap – Being provided by Tailor Shop
- Badge
- Badge holder – Being provided by Tailor Shop
- Rocky Boots
- Athletic Chukkas
- Duty belt with Taser and belt keepers
- Radio holder for duty belt with shoulder microphone
- Radio earpiece
- White t-shirts for under uniform
- [REDACTED]
- Trouser belt
- Sunglasses – no mirrored glasses / conservative colors
- Black socks
- Sunscreen
- Bug spray
- [REDACTED]
- Rain gear
- Soft shell jacket
- Issued gloves
- Reflective vest
- Recommended that units have a portable cell phone charger
- Laundry bag with unit's name printed on it

Logistics

Captain Them and Lieutenant Aller will be providing logistical support as needed on the detail. The logistics team will handle arranging for hotels while traveling and also while deployed on the detail. Once at the detail, logistics will try to secure a dry cleaning service to launder clothes as needed.

Command Post

Major Swindell and Captain Savidge will be working alternating shifts in the Command Post. The address of the Command Post is 32 Foster Maldonado Blvd., Eagle Pass, Texas 78852.

Communications

Units will not need their radios and should not be taken on the detail. Units will be provided radios by Texas DPS to be used while on the detail.

Intel Unit/Report

The Intel unit is providing reports on a regular basis. Those reports are being stored in the Texas Deployment Teams file. All commanders on the detail are being provided the Intel reports for distribution.

Public Information Office / Media

The Public Information Office will be the point of contact for any media requests regarding the detail. Any questions received should be directed to Lieutenant Tiffany Meeks.

Payroll

Supervisors on the detail will communicate the start and end times of all hours worked for units into a Teams document. That data will be entered into TMS by the support team remaining in Ohio. The data will be audited to ensure accuracy. All hours worked on the detail will have a funding code of **DPS 060160 – OSPEMAC – Detail 5TM0**.

Social Media

Units are discouraged from posting anything regarding the detail on social media for security concerns and officer safety, specifically dates of deployment or details involving the mission. Units should not be posting anything to social media during work hours. Units going to the detail should review DPS Policy 501.08 – Social Media for guidance.

Response-to-Resistance

Supervisors assigned to the detail will handle any response to resistance incidents that occur while units are deployed. All supervisors on the detail will have laptop computers loaded with OTIS. Any RTRs that occur while deployed should be carried as incidents and not offenses. One case will be done to document the units going and cover any miscellaneous events that occur. Any RTR that happens will have its own case number and supervisor handling will call the OSP Hub to get a CAD number. Approval of RTRs on the detail will be handled by the Office of Field Operations.