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### **Drivers Cautioned to Be Aware of Military Convoys**

**LITTLE ROCK (6-14)** – The Arkansas National Guard’s annual training season has arrived, and motorists may notice more military vehicles on Arkansas’ highways.

Annual training is an organized event, usually conducted at a military installation that Service Members of the Arkansas National Guard complete each year. Convoys, a group of military vehicles traveling together, are utilized to transport necessary personnel and equipment to the training site.

Seeing a military convoy during annual training season is to be expected and no cause for alarm. Drivers are encouraged to be cautious around military convoys. Convoys travel up to 55 miles per hour on the interstate, significantly less than most vehicles. Military trucks accelerate slower than commercial vehicles and are built for combat, not comfort. It is discouraged for civilian vehicles to travel in between military vehicles involved in a convoy.

Arkansans can expect increased convoy traffic through the end of June. Routes are coordinated with the Arkansas State Police prior to movements.