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“Given the short amount of time to pull together preparing for the mission overseas these Soldiers achieved a great amount the ‘Army-way,’” said Torres of the Soldiers’ hard work. “For that, I congratulate all of you.”

This mission is also a beneficial experience for the unit’s young officers.

“It’s my first deployment,” said 1st Lt. Noslan Hernandez, 389th PMT Commanding Officer, a native of San Jose, Cuba, but who resides in Metairie, La.

Hernandez helped his two young boys take seeds from watermelon slices while his wife and parents looked on.

“I feel like the training our organic unit provided prior to our training here really prepared us well for our mobilization efforts,” said Hernandez. “This final process allows for fine tuning. The challenge for me is taking care of my Soldiers when they are located in several different areas.”

Nearing the last phase of the mobilization process involves technical training from the 1192nd DDSB. Soldiers will be instructed to use military computer systems for the primary mission in theater of in transit visibility of military equipment during shipment.

“About half of the Sol-

diers hail from other states and have cross-leveled with our organic personnel,” said Lt. Col. Earl D. Terry III, 370th TST commander, from Killeen, Texas. “All Soldiers have done an excellent job of creating unit cohesion in a small amount of time.”

“We have great confidence in the quality of training our Soldiers receive from First Army Division East,” said Terry. “Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center, the 158th Infantry Brigade and the 177th Armored Brigade do a tremendous job organizing and assisting the mobilization process.”

“I was impressed with the Liaison Officer staff,” commented Terry. “They do a great job of tracking what the units are doing; they are an integral part of getting our Soldiers where they need to be while commanders and officers are involved in the planning phases of this deployment.”

Unit pride filled the room as leadership dedicated a video montage of the unit’s participation in various training events in the mobilization process.

Families seemed happy to meet one another with the common ground that a loved one will soon be far away.

“The unit developed a strong Family Readiness Group to assist with the adjustments all Families will endure during deployment,” said Hernandez.



U.S. Army photos by Spc. Karen Sampson, 177th Armored Brigade Public Affairs
1st Lt. Noslan Hernandez, native of San Jose, Cuba, residing in Metairie, La., and Commanding Officer of the 389th PMT sits with his two sons at a Predeployment Family Event for the 370th TST and 389th PMT June 13. Both units will soon deploy to Kuwait in support of the 595th Transportation Brigade.



Staff Sgt. Michael A. Jones, native of Long Beach, Calif., and 389th PMT Documents Noncommissioned Officer in Charge and other Soldiers receive certificates of appreciation for their performance during mobilization. Soldiers of the 370th Terminal Supervision Team of Sinton, Texas and 389th Transportation Detachment Port Management Team of Houston, Texas.

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