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More than 30 Guardsmen from the Alaska Air National Guard's 168th Air Refueling Wing, based out of Eielson Air Force Base, provided security near Baghdad International Airport from October to December. The Guard members from the 168th Security Forces joined with 25 other security forces squadrons to provide security, law and order and ensure a successful transition during the U.S. military drawdown, according to Lieutenant Colonel Jeff Elliot, 168th Security

Forces commander who also assumed command of the 447th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron upon deployment to Iraq. "This is no small feat, given the scope and scale of all the things that must be done to make the transfer of ownership not just successful, but safe," Elliot said. "And these defenders have risen to the challenge by going above and beyond what has been asked of them." While deployed, members from the 168th Security Forces also participated in a monthly "Good Neighbor Program," which takes donated food and clothing from the air base and distributes them to local Iraqi children and families. "They put their lives on the line every day," Elliot said. "We are safe and sleep well because these defenders are willing to give of themselves to protect other

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