

(S.D.)-National Guardsmen Helping Out On Nation's Southern Border

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RAPID CITY, S.D. (ASSOCIATED PRESS) - Soldiers with the South Dakota National Guard's Army Aviation Support Facility in Rapid City have departed for the southern U.S. border to help combat drug smuggling, human trafficking and illegal immigration.

The military isn't releasing details of the mission, including its length and the number of soldiers taking part. The Guard cites security concerns.

It is the second time the South Dakota Guard has helped out on the border, but the first time that it's using its own helicopter.