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TWO SCHOFIELD BARRACKS SOLDIERS KILLED IN AFGHANISTAN

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, HI – The Department of Defense announced today the death of two 25th Infantry Division (Light) Soldiers while serving in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Spec. Kyle K. Fernandez, 26, of Pearl City, Hawaii died October 14, in Miam Do, Afghanistan.

Fernandez was assigned to the Charlie Company, 2nd Battalion, 5th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division (Light). He was an infantryman and entered the Army in March, 2001, and was assigned to Schofield Barracks in August 2001.

Staff Sgt. Brian S. Hobbs, 31, of Mesa, Ariz. died October 14, in Miam Do, Afghanistan.

Hobbs was assigned to the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 5th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division (Light). He was an infantryman and entered the Army in September, 1994, and was assigned to Schofield Barracks in October 2001.

Both Soldiers died from wounds received while conducting combat operations.

The incident is under investigation.

A private prayer service will be conducted in the Schofield Barracks Main Post Chapel on Tuesday, Oct. 19, 10:30 a.m.

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MEDIA NOTE:

As soon as we receive a photo of Spec. Fernandez, it will be made available via e-mail. We are currently trying to obtain a photo of Staff Sgt. Hobbs from the Soldier's family who reside in Mesa, Ariz. Please contact SGT Washington, WashingtonK@schofield.army.mil, Office: #655-4815 / Cell: #497-7336 or Mr. Jay Liu, Jay.Liu@us.army.mil, Office: #655-8728 for more information.