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NEWS RELEASE/PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT JDF TROOPS IN HAITI RETURNS HOME

The Jamaica Defence Force (JDF) Contingent of soldiers who have been providing assistance to the people of Haiti, by conducting Humanitarian and Disaster relief operations, under Operation Restore Comfort, will return home on **Wednesday 17** and **Thursday 18 March 2010** at approximately 12:30 pm and 11:00 am, respectively. They will arrive at the Jamaica Military Aviation School, Alpha 1 Base, NMIA.

The JDF first deployed one hundred and ninety-four (194) troops to Haiti on Friday 15 January 2010 after the category seven earthquake devastated the island. The first contingent was relieved by another one hundred and sixty-two (162) troops between 11 - 16 February 2010.

The second JDF Contingent, headed by Lieutenant Coloned Desmond Edwards, comprised doctors, medics, engineers, infantry soldiers and logistics personnel.

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