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Huntsville Center contractor suffers fatality in Iraq

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. — A U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center Huntsville contractor employee died Jan. 19 and another was injured when the vehicle they were riding in was struck by an Improvised Explosive Device.

The name of the deceased is being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

The incident is under investigation.

Huntsville Center is a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Center of Expertise for Ordnance and Explosives. Huntsville Center's Coalition Munitions Clearance Program is responsible for receiving, transporting, segregating and destroying captured or any other munitions posing a danger in Iraq. Storage and disposal of the ammunition is performed at several locations throughout Iraq. To date, more than 293,000 tons of ammunition has been destroyed by the Huntsville Center program, significantly reducing risks to Iraqi citizens and U.S. personnel serving in Iraq.

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