

During NTC Rotation 14-10 A/1-285th ARB from AZ ARNG support 1/1 Armor Brigade Combat Team (ABCT). A/1-285th ARB flew over 350 hours in direct support of COL Daniels (1/1 ABCT Commander). Deputy Commander of 1st Army visited this rotation during a CCA lane while A/1-285th ARB and C/1-501st ARB (active duty unit, also supporting the rotation) were rotating days. The Deputy Commander of 1st Army visited during C/1-501st ARB, the Deputy Commander landed to talk to the Ground Force Commander (GFC) who expressed his appreciation for the AZ ARNG the day prior. The Deputy Commander of First Army asked the GFC if he knew what Apache unit that was supporting him that day. The GFC then said he knew it was not the AZ guard, because the guard was out there yesterday and they were hitting all the targets, the active duty unit was having difficulties engaging targets that day. Later that day 1st Army Deputy Commander contacted AZ TAG and expressed his appreciation for the performance of A/1-285th ARB which was relayed down the chain of command. Two days later COL Daniels approached the A/1-285th ARB commander and expressed his want for the units support as the main effort during the last several force on force missions for the rotation. During the rotation A/1-285th ARB flew over 350 hours and supported all force on force battle periods as the main effort while maintaining over a 80% OR rate.