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Gunner SPC Wilson Jackson and loader SPC George Morris, 4th Battalion, 320th Field Artillery, await further fire missions after firing more than 40 rounds of 105 mm ammunition in response to a Taliban mortar-and-rocket attack.



Armed with an M14-based sniper rifle, platoon-designated marksman PFC Slawson scans the landscape.



SGT Brad Forbus, 1-61 Cavalry, serves as his company's sniper.



SPC Nicholas Warden takes cover behind a Humvee with his M249 squad automatic weapon in hand.

Montana National Guard 1LT Aaron Flint mentors Afghan national police working with 4th BCT's 1-61 Cavalry.



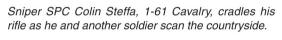


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Platoon leader 1LT Jonathan Bate, Company B, 2-506 Infantry

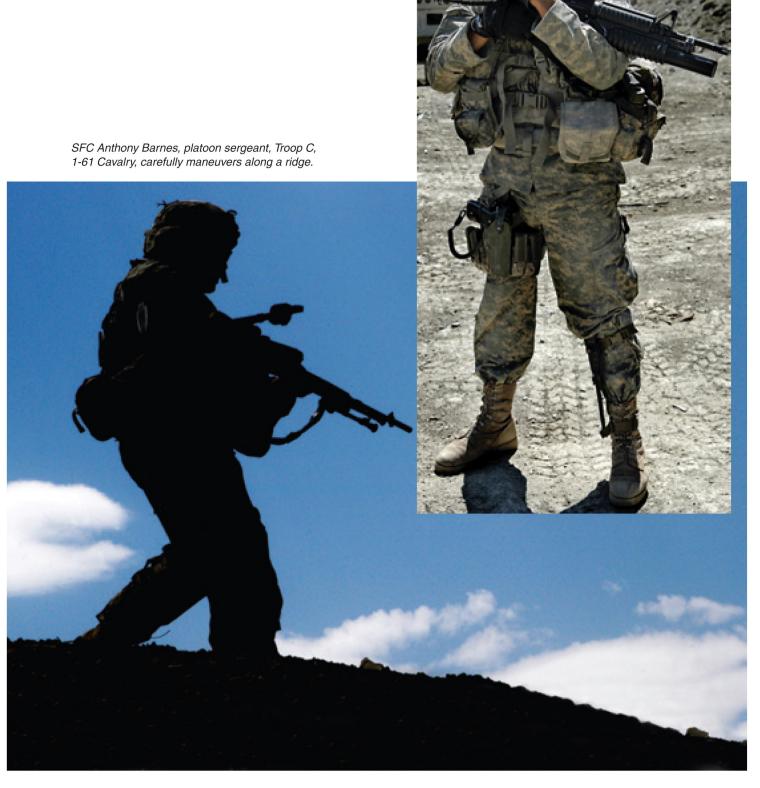
Platoon medic PFC "Doc" Murphy takes a break next to some Afghani children during a village search.







SPC Colin Steffa in full combat gear



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