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**News Advisory**

**CALIFORNIA'S ANNUAL STATEWIDE EMERGENCY EXERCISE**  
**GOLDEN GUARDIAN 2008**

WHO: SHERIFF LEE BACA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT; GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR SECRETARY DIRK KEMPTHORNE; CALIFORNIA STATE SENATOR ALEX PADILLA; MAYOR ANTONIO VILLARAIGOSA; LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERVISORS DON KNABE AND ZEV YAROSLAVSKY; LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS RICHARD ALARCON AND GREIG SMITH; CHIEF P. MICHAEL FREEMAN, LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT; AND CHIEF DOUGLAS BARRY, LOS ANGELES CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WHAT: SHERIFF BACA AND OTHER HIGH-RANKING FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL OFFICIALS WILL DISCUSS OPERATION "GOLDEN GUARDIAN." THIS MULTI-AGENCY TRAINING EXERCISE SIMULATES A 7.8 EARTHQUAKE THAT DESTROYS INFRASTRUCTURE, INJURES RESIDENTS, FORCES PEOPLE TO FIND SHELTER AT LARGE VENUES, AND RESULTS IN THE ACTIVATION OF MILITARY SUPPORT. THE HEART OF THE OPERATION WILL BE CONDUCTED FROM THE COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER LOCATED AT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS BUREAU.

WHEN: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2008, AT 3:00 P.M.

WHERE: PROVIDENCE HOLY CROSS MEDICAL CENTER  
15031 RINALDI STREET  
MISSION HILLS, CALIFORNIA 91345  
(THOMAS GUIDE PAGE 501, H-1)

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT SHERIFF'S HEADQUARTERS BUREAU AT  
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