

# News Release

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## **Coast Guard participates in Military Outload operation**

NEW ORLEANS – The Coast Guard worked with partners as part of the Port Readiness Committee, to ensure the safe and secure loading off military equipment in the Port of Gulfport, Mississippi.

Along with partners from the Port Readiness Committee, Coast Guard Sector Mobile, oversaw the loading of approximately 156 pieces of military equipment.

Agencies and partners that support these operations and the Port Readiness Committee include the U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Transportation Command, U.S. Army 842nd Transportation Battalion, U.S. Maritime Administration, Transportation Security Administration, Mississippi State Port Authority, Gulfport Police Department, City of Gulfport, Mississippi Department of Marine Resources, Gulfport Fire Department, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Harrison County EMA, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Southern Technical Aquatic Resource and Rescue, Maritime Defense Strategy and the Mississippi State Pilots Association.

The Port Readiness Committee's goal is to ensure safe and secure vessel, harbor and pier side operations – cargo transportation, staging, loading, stowage, vessel transits, and shipboard safety systems efficiently as possible with little disruption to other port operations.

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