Pentagon Declares Its Worldwide Alert Of Military Is Over

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31 (AP)

—The Pentagon today ended its worldwide military alert called last week and 350,000 servicemen returned to normal duties.

Nearly all of the 2.2-millionmember American military force was placed on some degree of increased combat read-iness last Thursday because of fears that the Soviet Union was sending troops to Egypt.

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The Defense Department spokesman, Jerry W. Friedheim, said today that troops of the United States European command and sailors of the Atlantic Fleet returned to "normal status" at midnight Tuesday.

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Some 30,000 enlisted men and officers of the Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean, however, remain on a heightened alert status because of continuing tensions in the Middle East.

Meanwhile, Mr. Friedheim said it appeared that 50,000 Russian paratroopers in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe were also resuming their normal duties. normal duties.

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Reports that some of those troops had been about to board Soviet transports for Cairo were one of the principal reasons for the American military alert.

"We do think that probably they have begun a resumption of normal activities," Mr. Friedheim said of the Soviet forces today.