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## LOCAL DOCTORS AND U.S. KFOR PROVIDE HEALTH CARE TO MORE THAN 300 RESIDENTS IN ZITINJE

**CAMP BONDSTEEL, Kosovo** — U.S. KFOR medical personnel and local doctors provided free medical care to more than 300 residents during a daylong clinic in Zitinje on Feb. 24.

Medical personnel from Task Force Med Falcon at Camp Bondsteel and the 2-63 Armor Battalion Medical Platoon at Camp Magrath cooperated with Dr. Fadil Zuka, Dr. Gazmend Halili, and Dr. Gjylsime Qamilia from the Vitina Health House.

Dr. Srender Gajhi, an ophthalmologist from Jerli Sadovina, and Dr. Jelica Krcmartic, who has a practice in Klokot, also volunteered their time to provide dental care and eye exams.

In all, 258 patients underwent medical screenings, 20 patients received dental care, and 35 patients were given eye exams over the course of the day.

2nd Lt. Tyler Gence, medical platoon leader, said 2-63 soldiers from Camp Magrath specifically requested the clinic in Zitinje to thank residents for their cooperation with KFOR missions during the past few weeks.

For the local doctors, it was a chance to help their communities and show residents that they are taking a proactive approach to multiethnic health care.

“People should know a doctor is a doctor. Medical ethics say we should treat without regard to ethnicity,” said Krcmartic.

Patients participating in the clinics see that their doctors are all professionals who treat everyone without regard to their ethnicity, Gence said.

“They are all members of our team,” Gence added.