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### **NIGHT OPERATIONS TRAINING: JANUARY 8-17**

SOUTH BURLINGTON, Vt. – The Vermont Air National Guard will conduct night flight operations from Tuesday, Jan. 8 through Thursday, Jan. 17, 2019.

Area residents may see and hear F-16C aircraft taking off and landing from Burlington International Airport during this time. All operations will be completed before 8:00 p.m.

“We are ready to fly 24/7,” said Lt. Col. Nathaniel Smith, 134<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron Director of Operations, “Night flying operations provide crucial training for pilots and aircraft maintainers.”

158<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing pilots and maintenance personnel are required to conduct night operations and utilize times in the year when hours of darkness are earlier.

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