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BREAKING NEWS: URGENT -- Shooting reported at Fort Hood military base in Texas

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USPA News - A gunman opened fire at the Fort Hood military base in Texas on late Wednesday afternoon, injuring a number of people, according to local television reports. Military officials confirmed an incident had taken place but few details were available.

The incident began at around 4:30 p.m. local time on Wednesday when gunfire erupted at the base, leading Fort Hood officials to issue a lockdown. "All personnel on post are asked to shelter in place," the base said in an update on Facebook and Twitter, giving no additional information. Local television channel KCEN-TV reported that a number of people had been injured in the shooting, adding that multiple victims were believed to be in the Battle Simulation Center. It said there were conflicting reports on whether the gunman had fled the scene or was still on the base. Central Texas College (CTC) said its Central Campus near Fort Hood was being evacuated due to the shooting incident. "An ongoing Active Shooter Emergency at Ft Hood requires all CTC personnel and students to immediately evacuate CTC Central Campus," the college said in a statement, adding that all classes for Central and Ft Hood campuses were canceled. In November 2009, gunman Nidal Malik Hasan opened fire at Fort Hood, killing 13 people and injuring about 30 others in the worst mass shooting to ever take place on an American military base.

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