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in the Last Frontier**

Alaska Joint Armed Services Committee Briefing

**Lt Gen Stephen L. Hoog
Feb. 14, 2013**



We Honor Our Fallen

Army Combat Deaths

SSG THOMAS K. FOGARTY
SSG CARL E. HAMMER
SGT BRIAN L. WALKER
SPC NATHAN T. DAVIS
SPC ETHAN J. MARTIN
SPC RICHARD L. MCNULTY
SPC JEFFREY L. WHITE
PFC VINCENT J. ELLIS
PFC DUSTIN P. NAPIER



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U.S. Military in Alaska



Over 23,000 Active Duty Service Members, 36,000 Dependents and 5,000 DoD Civilians



- ★ Joint Base
- ★ Air Force Base
- ★ Army Base
- ☆ Coast Guard Station
- Radar/Radio Site
- Marine Safety Unit/Det



11th Air Force in Alaska

3rd Wing

- Total Force Integration
- 3.1 software upgrade to F-22s and safety enhancements
- PACAF Safety Special Achievement Award
- Daedalian Weapon System Maintenance Trophy



673rd Air Base Wing

- First Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
- Fisher House Grand Opening and Traumatic Brain Injury unit
- Arctic Thunder 2012
- New Landfill Gas Power Plant is operational as of Sept 2012



354th Fighter Wing

- 18 AGRS MTT: Cope North, HIANG support, Ex Valiant Shield
- Three RED FLAG-Alaska exercises in 2012
- Ted Stevens Joint Mobility Complex





11th Air Force Restructuring

11th Air Force

Absorbed the 15th Wing at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and 36th Wing at Joint Region Marianas





11th Air Force Restructuring

537th Airlift Squadron at JBER



- Retiring four C-130Hs
- Closing active association

PACAF Band of the Pacific

- JBER band is deactivating Sep 2013





U.S. Army Alaska

1/25 Stryker Brigade

- Redeployed from OEF; conducting RESET operations
- Focusing on follow on deployments and other mission sets

4/25 IBCT (Airborne)

- Redeployed from OEF; conducting RESET operations
- Refocusing on core capabilities and Joint Forcible Entry Ops

2d Engineer Brigade

- Troops deployed around the world; continuous focus on deploying
- Completed major exercises in India and Korea

16 Combat Aviation Brigade

- Continuously supporting Global Aviation mission requirements
- Supported Unified Command mission for Kulluk salvage operations

Fort Wainwright

- Installation Management Command, Family and MWR, 2012 Exemplary Workforce Development Award
- Dedication of the Sgt. Joel Clarkson Training Support Center





U.S. Army Alaska

Focus on Asia-Pacific Region

- Training and exercise opportunities with partner nations
- Arctic expertise with the U.S. Army Northern Warfare Training Center
- Rapid deployment readiness





Deployments

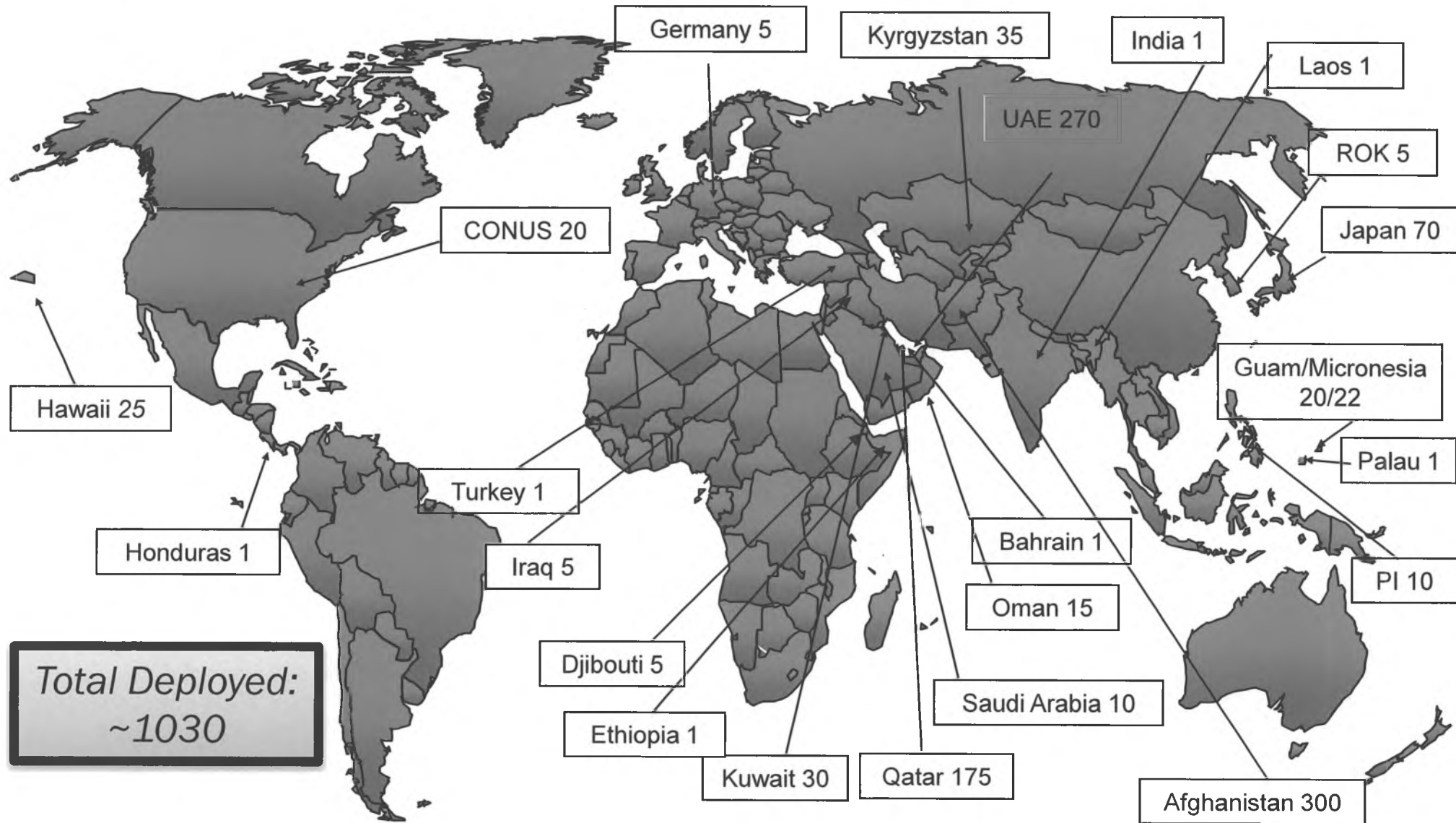
2012 Deployments

- 3 WG & 673 ABW deployed 883 personnel
 - 66 deployed locations
 - Over 40% deployed to the Middle East
- Eielson AFB deployed 312 personnel
 - Mostly individual deployers to USCENTCOM
- 1/25 Stryker Brigade
 - Deployed 4,400 soldiers in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM
- 4/25 IBCT (ABN)
 - Deployed 3,700 soldiers in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM





Alaska-Based Forces Currently Deployed





Exercises

2012 Exercises

- Three RED FLAG-Alaska Exercises
 - Canada, Australia, UK, Germany, Japan, Poland, ROK, Singapore, Thailand



- ARCTIC EDGE 2012
 - U.S. Northern Command sponsored exercise
 - ARDEN SENTRY: DSCA
 - ALASKA SHIELD: Support to DHS and EM
 - ARCTIC CARE: Support to Alaska National Guard
 - ARCTIC SHIELD: Oil spill exercise, partnering with USCG
- VIGILANT SHIELD 2013
 - Alaskan NORAD Region and Joint Task Force Alaska exercising Homeland Defense roles





Exercises

2013 Exercises

- Two RED FLAG-Alaska Exercises
 - UK, Canada, Japan, Singapore, ROK, Australia, Thailand, Indonesia
- NORTHERN EDGE 2013
 - U.S. Pacific Command sponsored exercise
 - Joint USAF, USN, USMC, USA, USCG, Spec Ops, National Guard, Reserves





2014 Exercises

- Multiple linked Events in March-April
 - ALASKA SHIELD: *AK Dept of Homeland Security and Emergency Mgt*
 - VIGILANT GUARD: *AK National Guard and The National Guard Bureau*
 - ARCTIC EDGE: *Joint Task Force Alaska*
 - ARDENT SENTRY: *US Northern Command*
- Central theme is a major earthquake response, similar to the Great Alaska Earthquake of 1964, on it's 50th Anniversary
- Linking exercises will ensure we train a unified, all-of-government response





Joint Pacific-Alaska Range Complex

Premier Training Venue

- Integrated air, land, maritime, space and cyberspace
- International training opportunities
- Unencumbered and lack of encroachment



JOINT PACIFIC ALASKA RANGE COMPLEX



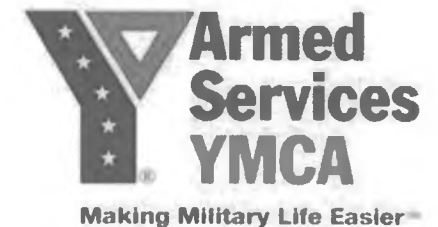
The JPARC is a premier, multi-domain, live-virtual-constructive joint integration range enabling full spectrum twenty-first century joint and multinational training.



Other Events

Tribal and Military Leaders Meeting

- Quadrennial event held at JBER
- Approximately 30 tribal first chiefs and presidents attend
- Discussions included
 - Environmental remediation
 - Effects of climate change on national security and village life
 - Veteran tribal members' benefits and access



ASYMCA Salute

- Gen Jacoby, USNORTHCOM Commander, will be the guest speaker tomorrow evening



Arctic Engagement

U.S. Northern Command's task for JTF-Alaska

- USNORTHCOM Arctic priorities (synched with Canada:

Safety – Security – Defense – Cooperation

- Consider potential future military required capabilities and gaps

Four primary areas: *Communications, Maritime Domain Awareness, Infrastructure, Presence*



Alaska Arctic Bureau

- Initial stages of building an enduring partnership with UAF
- Capitalize on university's vast Arctic knowledge and expertise
- Building relationships with regional Federal agency representatives
 - » CG District 17, State of Alaska, boroughs, and tribes



Joint Task Force Alaska

Colony Glacier

- C-124 crash in 1952
- Joint total force recovery team
- UAF tracking system

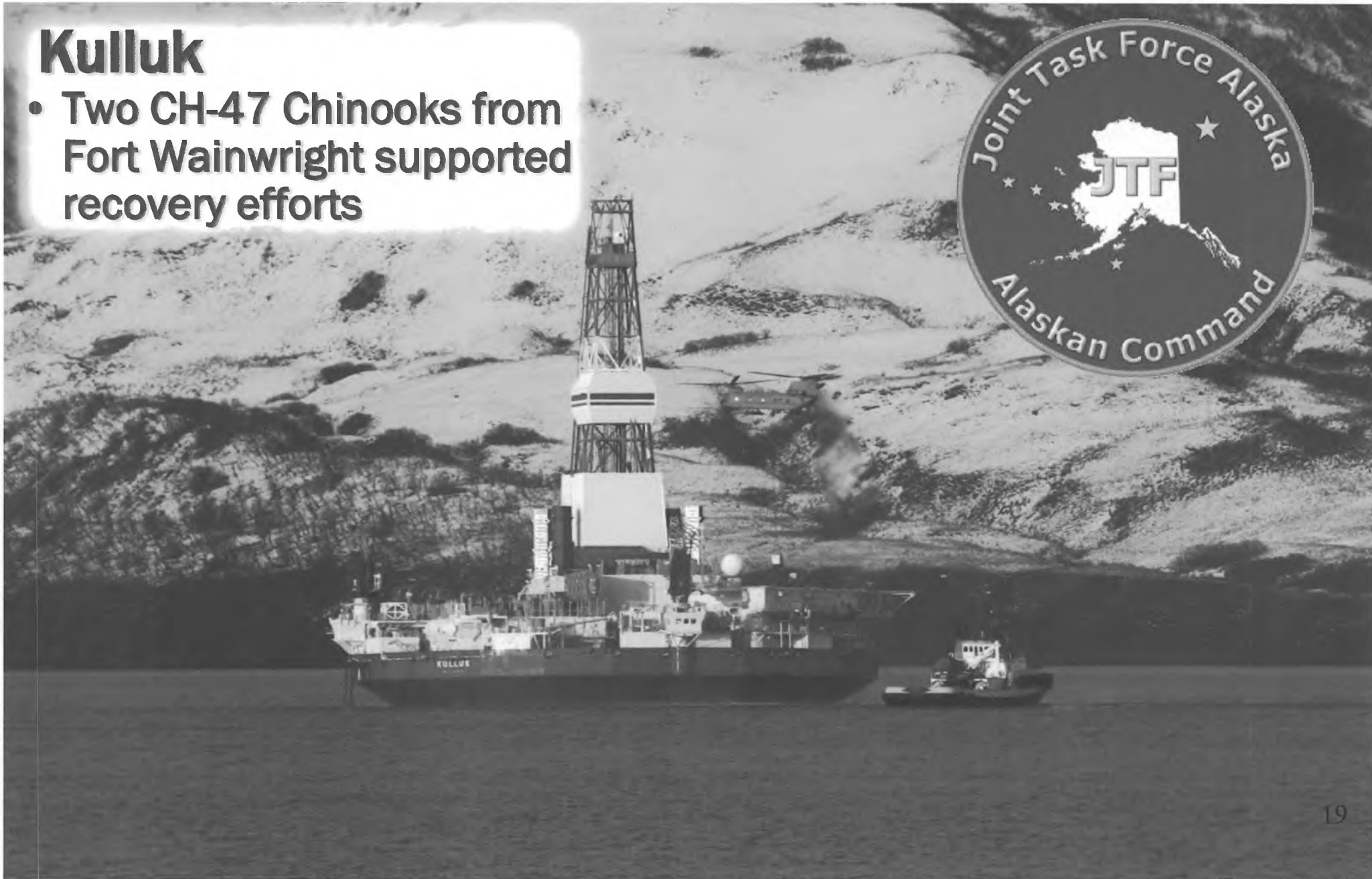




Joint Task Force Alaska

Kulluk

- Two CH-47 Chinooks from Fort Wainwright supported recovery efforts

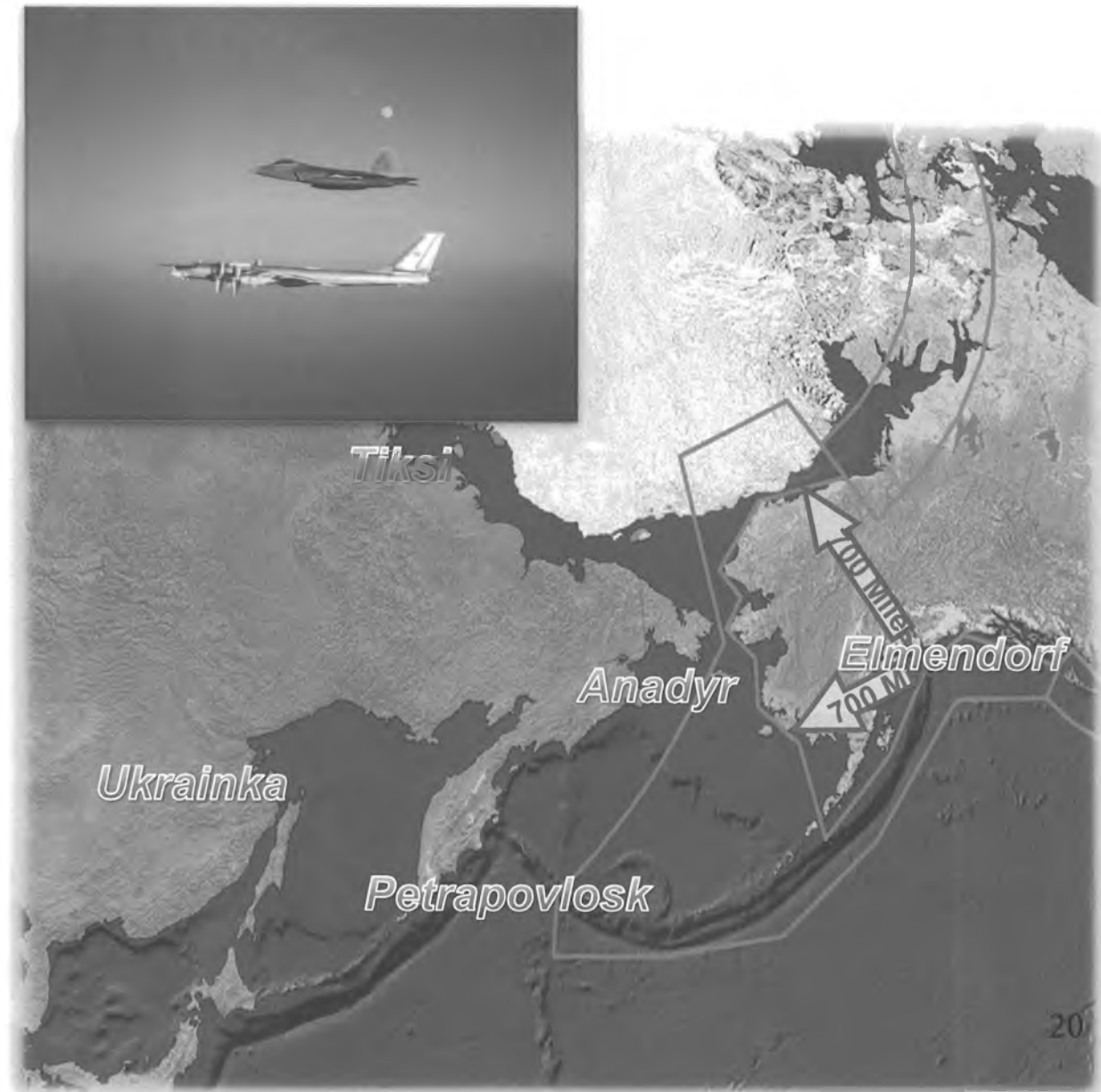




Alaskan NORAD Region

Two Missions

- Op NOBLE EAGLE
- Traditional NORAD ADIZ protection
- Bi-lateral coordination
- F-22s are upgrading ABOS and returning to “fully mission capable” status





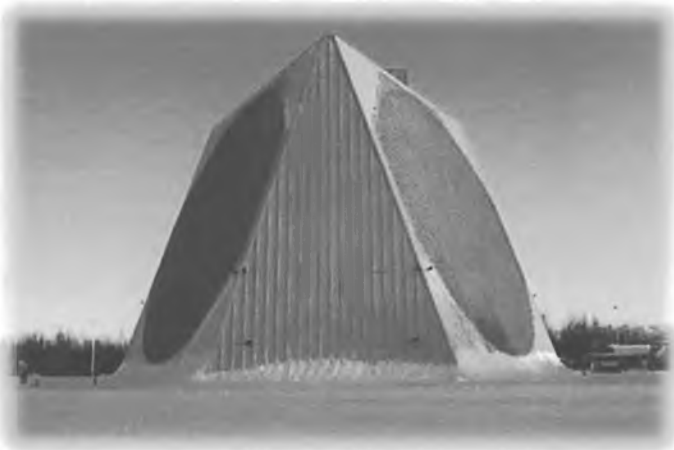
Missile Defense Update

Fort Greely Missile Defense Complex

- Completed Missile Field 2 construction
- Integrated new power plant with missile fields
- Installed second GMD Comm Network
- Upgraded Exoatmospheric Kill Vehicles (EKVs)



Clear Air Force Station Early Warning Radar Site

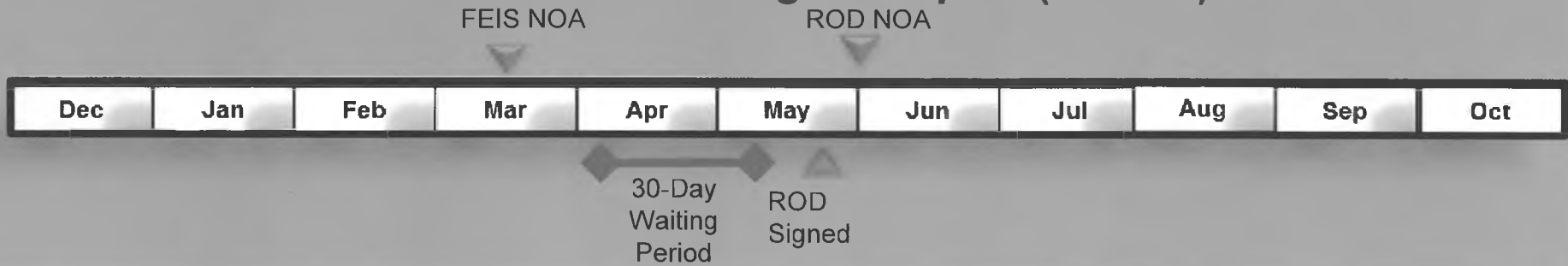


- New Emergency Power Plant (EPP)
- Pave PAWS 10-2 upgrade
- Upgraded Early Warning Radar (UEWR)
- High-altitude EMP (HEMP) project
- FY13 ECIP to tie Clear AS to GVEA grid

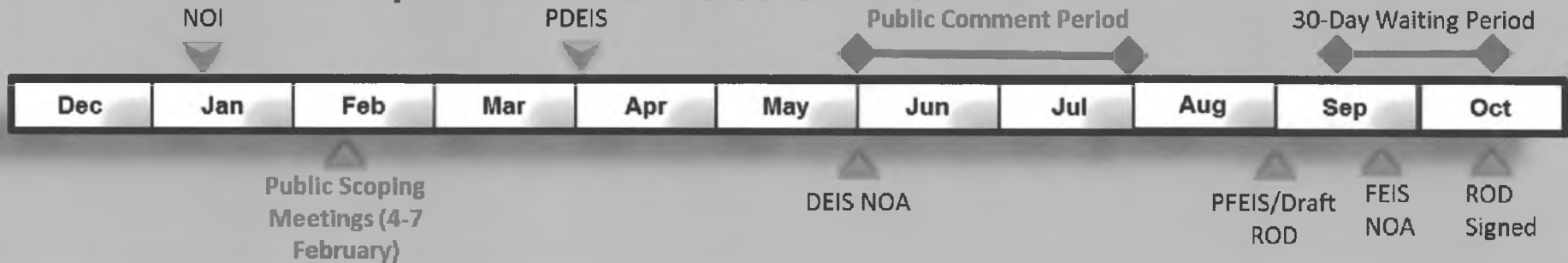


Environmental Impact Studies

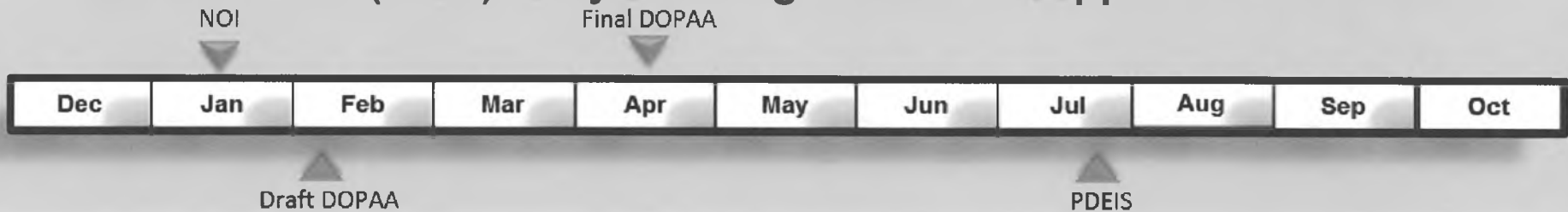
Joint Pacific Alaska Range Complex (JPARC) EIS



Proposed Move of F-16s from EAFB to JBER



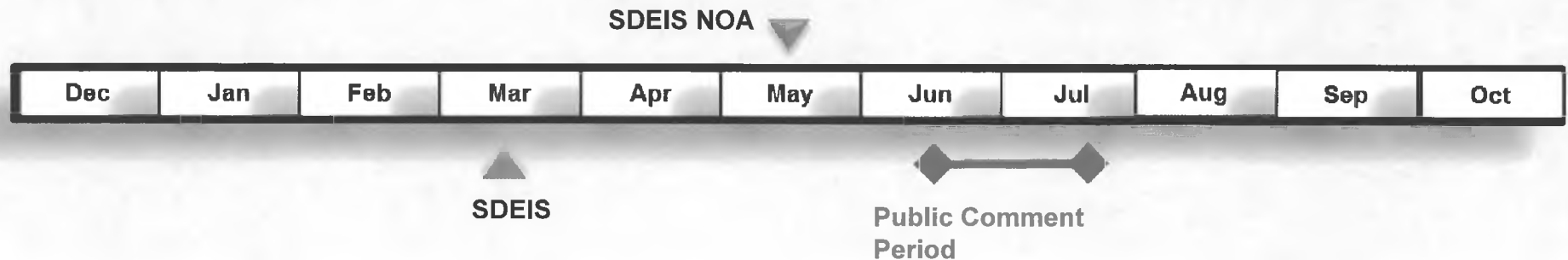
Gulf of Alaska (GOA) Navy Training Activities Supplemental EIS/OEIS





Environmental Impact Studies

Resumption of Year-Round Firing Opportunities Supplemental EIS (JBER)



Disposition of Hangars 2 and 3 (USAG-FWA)



Department of the Army's Programmatic Environmental Assessment

- Force Structure Realignments from FY 2013-2020
- 21 bases are being analyzed and considered, including JBER and FWA



Challenges

Energy Costs and Security

- ALCOM Executive Energy Steering Group
- Pooling knowledge between DoD, State, Federal, and industry
 - Goal: Lower energy costs



Resource Management

- People
- Infrastructure and budget





USS Anchorage

Scheduled to be commissioned at the
Port of Anchorage on May 4th, 2013





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Joint Armed Services Committee Alaska National Guard

**Major General Thomas Katkus
The Adjutant General – Alaska
14 February 2013**

Alaska National Guard



Army Guard Deployments

2013 Deployments

- **6 Soldiers on individual rotations to Afghanistan**
 - **This includes 2 liaisons with the Mongolians**
- **1 Soldier in Kosovo**
- **10 Soldiers to Kuwait, leaving in the fall**
- **54 Soldiers on their way to Kuwait**
- **51 MPs leave to Guantanamo Bay, September**
- **171 MPs leave to Guantanamo Bay, October**

292 - Total Army Guard on Title 10 deployments in 2013



Air Guard Deployments

2013 Deployments

168th Wing

- **19 Airmen to Qatar, February – March**
- **13 Airmen to Guam, for the month of April**
- **1 Airman to Kyrgystan, May – November**
- **1 Airman to Florida, Hurlburt (special ops) May – June**



Air Guard Deployments

2013 Deployments

176th Wing

- **18 Airmen on individual rotations, are deployed supporting OEF, in and around Afghanistan**
- **12 Airmen to Bahrain, March – April**
- **95 Airmen to Kuwait, July – November**
- **Rescue Squadron to exercise in Thailand, March; number supporting not known at this time.**

159 - Total Air Guard on Title 10 deployments in 2013



Questions?



Building partnerships to protect the Arctic

Alaska National Guard



Kulluk Tow Incident Response



Air Station Kodiak evacuates 18 crewmembers off Kulluk during strong winds and high seas

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Coast Guard Units Respond

21 December 2012:

- Aiviq and Kulluk depart Dutch Harbor, Alaska

27 December 2012:

- Aiviq's tow connection parts and the Kulluk drifts before an emergency tow line is established

28 December 2012:

- Aiviq reports loss of power.
- CGC Hickory underway in 40 knot winds & 20-foot seas
- Support vessels are dispatched to provide aid
- Coast Guard Sector Anchorage, State of Alaska, Royal Dutch Shell and Edison Chouest Offshore establish a unified command in response to the Kulluk Tow Incident; Eventually more than 700 responders participate.
- Communities & media engaged
- Meetings and calls are conducted daily throughout incident





Coast Guard Rescues 18 People



29 December 2012:

- Coast Guard Air Station Kodiak crews evacuate 18 Kulluk crewmembers
- Crews face hurricane weather conditions
- Coast Guard helicopters deliver parts to Aiviq
- Coast Guard Cutter SPAR launched to assist



Weather Challenges Continue

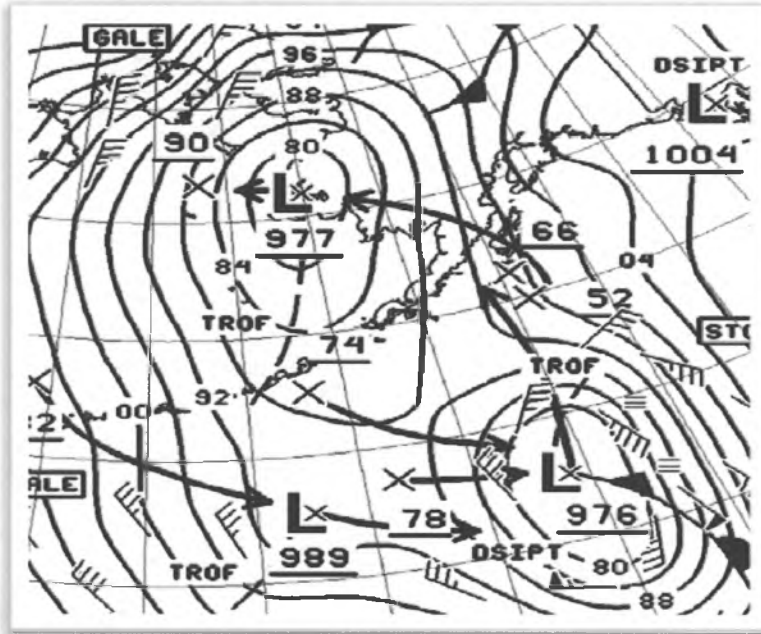


30 December 2012:

- Crews continue to battle deteriorating weather conditions
- Coast Guard Cutter Alex Haley arrives in the area
- The tow lines connecting Aiviq and Nanuq to the Kulluk separate



Kulluk Runs Aground



31 December 2012:

- D17 Incident Management Team activated to support ICP
- Strong winds and rough seas continue to impact tow efforts
- Alert releases tow line to Kulluk to protect Alert and crew from possible grounding
- Kulluk grounds on the southeast side of Sitkalidak Island, Alaska



High Level Attention



01 January 2013:

- RADM Ostebo, CG 17th District commander, is the first senior federal official to fly over the grounded Kulluk
- Senator Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska), visits the ICP to discuss priorities, and witnesses Unified Command response efforts

02 January 2013:

- Air Station Kodiak crews transport salvage team to Kulluk
- Alaska Emergency Towing System is delivered to Kulluk
- UC members fly over grounded Kulluk to better assess situation



Salvage Planning



03 - 05 January 2013:

- Air Station Kodiak crews continue over flights and transfer of salvage team members and equipment to Kulluk
- Kulluk reported to be intact and no reports of oil in the water
- Coast Guard Cutter Alex Haley remains on scene
- Coast Guard, Shell, and state representatives attend Kodiak Borough Assembly meeting to discuss Kulluk response
- U.S. Army CH-47 helicopters assist with equipment deliveries
- Kulluk assessment ongoing and preps for removal continue
- Weather begins to improve



Kulluk Refloated



06 January 2013:

- Aiviq reconnects tow with Kulluk, attempt to refloat Kulluk successful
- Aiviq begins towing Kulluk to Kiliuda Bay



Kulluk Arrives in Kiliuda Bay



07 January 2013:

- Aiviq crew completes tow of Kulluk to Kiliuda Bay
- Kulluk anchored in safe harbor for assessment and repairs, Coast Guard continues to monitor situation and engage with other Unified Command members
- Coast Guard Cutter Alex Haley remains on scene

08 January 2013:

- Coast Guard issued press release announcing RADM Ostebo orders a formal marine casualty investigation.



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT GENERAL STEPHEN L. HOOG

Lt. Gen. Stephen L. Hoog is Commander, Alaskan Command, U.S. Pacific Command; Commander, Eleventh Air Force, Pacific Air Forces; and Commander, Alaskan North American Aerospace Defense Command Region, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska. He is the senior military officer in Alaska responsible for the integration of all military activities in the Alaskan theater of operations. As Commander of Alaskan Command, a sub-unified command under U.S. Pacific Command, General Hoog integrates the activities of more than 21,000 active-duty, Guard and Reserve members from all services in Alaska. General Hoog also commands Eleventh Air Force and oversees the training and readiness of five wings and Air Force installations located in Alaska, Hawaii, and Guam. As Commander of the Alaskan North American Aerospace Defense Command Region, General Hoog directs air operations within Alaska to ensure defense against all hostile airborne threats. Reporting to U.S. Northern Command, General Hoog is also the Commander of Joint Task Force Alaska and is responsible for the planning and execution of all Homeland Defense operations within the theater, including security and civil support actions.



General Hoog is a 1979 distinguished graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy. He has served as an F-16 aircraft commander, instructor pilot and weapons chief, as well as F-16 instructor and academic department head for the Fighter Weapons Instructor Course. Other tours include a joint billet at European Command headquarters, an assignment as Chief of the Weapons Division in the Secretary of the Air Force Office of International Affairs, and as an executive officer to the Commander, Air Education and Training Command. While serving as Commander of the 555th Fighter Squadron, his unit participated in Operation Deliberate Force, dropping the first bombs in NATO's history. He also commanded the 12th Operations Group, 388th Fighter Wing, and the Air and Space Expeditionary Force Center.

General Hoog has also served as the Director, Air Component Coordination Element, Multi-National Force-Iraq, Baghdad, Iraq, and as the Commanding General for the Coalition Air Force Transition Team. Additionally, General Hoog commanded the 57th Wing and the U.S. Air Force Warfare Center, and served as Deputy Commander, U.S. Air Forces Central Command; Deputy, Combined Force Air Component Commander, U.S. Central Command; and Vice Commander, 9th Air Expeditionary Task Force, Air Combat Command, Southwest Asia. Prior to his current position, General Hoog served as Commander, 9th Air Force, Air Combat Command, Shaw Air Force Base, S.C. General Hoog is a command pilot with more than 3,000 flying hours, including 181 combat hours over Bosnia and Iraq.

EDUCATION

1979 Distinguished graduate, Bachelor of Science degree in aeronautical engineering, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.
1982 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
1987 Air Command and Staff College, by seminar
1991 Marine Corps Command and General Staff College, Quantico, Va.
1997 Master's degree in political science, Auburn University, Ala.
1997 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1979 - October 1980, student, undergraduate pilot training, Williams AFB, Ariz.

2. January 1981 - August 1981, student, F-16 Replacement Training Unit, Hill AFB, Utah
3. September 1981 - June 1983, F-16 pilot and life support officer, 430th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
4. July 1983 - August 1984, F-16 instructor pilot, 35th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Kunsan Air Base, South Korea
5. September 1984 - December 1984, student, F-16 Fighter Weapons Instructor Course, Nellis AFB, Nev.
6. January 1985 - July 1987, Chief of Weapons, 311th Tactical Fighter Training Squadron, Luke AFB, Ariz.
7. August 1987 - June 1990, F-16 instructor and academic department head at the Fighter Weapons Instructor Course, Nellis AFB, Nev.
8. July 1990 - August 1991, student, Marine Corps Command and General Staff College, Quantico, Va.
9. September 1991 - July 1993, air staff operations officer, Headquarters U.S. European Command, Stuttgart-Vaihingen, Germany
10. July 1993 - March 1994, operations officer, 526th Fighter Squadron, Ramstein AB, Germany
11. April 1994 - July 1996, Commander, 555th Fighter Squadron, Aviano AB, Italy
12. August 1996 - July 1997, student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
13. August 1997 - January 1999, Chief, Weapons Division, Secretary of the Air Force Office of International Affairs, Washington, D.C.
14. February 1999 - June 2000, Commander, 12th Operations Group, Randolph AFB, Texas
15. July 2000 - June 2001, executive officer to the Commander, Air Education and Training Command, Randolph AFB, Texas
16. July 2001 - July 2003, Commander, 388th Fighter Wing, Hill AFB, Utah
17. July 2003 - July 2004, Assistant Director of Aerospace Operations, Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va.
18. July 2004 - March 2006, Commander, Air and Space Expeditionary Force Center, Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va.
19. April 2006 - July 2007, Director, Air Component Coordination Element, Multi-National Force-Iraq, Baghdad, Iraq
20. July 2007 - February 2008, Commander, 57th Wing, Nellis AFB, Nev.
21. February 2008 - May 2009, Commander, U.S. Air Force Warfare Center, Nellis AFB, Nev.
22. July 2009 - August 2010, Deputy Commander, U.S. Air Forces Central Command; Deputy, Combined Force Air Component Commander, U.S. Central Command; and Vice Commander, 9th Air Expeditionary Task Force, Air Combat Command, Southwest Asia
23. August 2010 - October 2011, Commander, 9th Air Force, Air Combat Command, Shaw AFB, S.C.
24. November 2011 - present, Commander, Alaskan Command, U.S. Pacific Command; Commander, Eleventh Air Force, Pacific Air Forces; and Commander, Alaskan North American Aerospace Defense Command Region, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1991 - July 1993, air staff operations officer, Headquarters U.S. European Command, Stuttgart-Vaihingen, Germany, as a major
2. April 2006 - July 2007, Director, Air Component Coordination Element, Multi-National Force-Iraq, Baghdad, Iraq, as a brigadier general
3. November 2011 - present, Commander, Alaskan Command, U.S. Pacific Command; Commander, Eleventh Air Force, Pacific Air Forces; and Commander, Alaskan North American Aerospace Defense Command Region, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, as a lieutenant general

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command pilot
 Flight hours: More than 3,000, including 181 combat hours
 Aircraft flown: T-37, A/T-38, F-16 A/B/C/D and F-22

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Distinguished Service Medal
 Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters
 Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster
 Defense Meritorious Service Medal
 Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters
 Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters
 Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
 Joint Meritorious Unit Award
 Meritorious Unit Award
 Combat Readiness Medal
 National Defense Service Medal with bronze star
 Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
 Korea Defense Service Medal
 Armed Forces Service Medal
 NATO Medal (Former Republic of Yugoslavia)

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 30, 1979

First Lieutenant May 30, 1981
Captain June 1, 1983
Major Sept. 1, 1989
Lieutenant Colonel June 1, 1993
Colonel April 1, 1999
Brigadier General Jan. 1, 2005
Major General June 20, 2008
Lieutenant General Nov. 7, 2011

(Current as of October 2012)

MAJOR GENERAL THOMAS H. KATKUS



Adjutant General, Commissioner of Alaska DMVA

Major General Katkus is a life long Alaskan who enlisted in the Alaska Army National Guard on 31 October 1977. After attaining the rank of Sergeant, he entered Alaska's Officer Candidate School and received his commission on 5 December 1980 as a Second Lieutenant of Infantry. He graduated the Infantry Officer Basic Course, the Armor Officer Advance Course, the Combined Arms Staff Service School, the United States Army Command and General Staff College, and the United States Army War College..

As a non-commissioned officer, Major General Katkus served as an airborne medic with the Alaska Army National Guard's Long Range Reconnaissance Detachment. After receiving his commission, Major General Katkus served as a Light Reconnaissance Team leader, Scout Platoon Leader, Support Platoon Leader, Battalion Motor Officer, Headquarters Company Commander, Assistant S-4, Infantry Company Commander, Battalion Plans and Operations Officer, Battalion Commander, Counterdrug Coordinator, Chief of Staff of the Army National Guard, and Assistant Adjutant General – Space and Missile Defense, Commander, Alaska Army National Guard/Assistant Adjutant General – Army.

In August 2009, Major General Katkus assumed the duties of The Adjutant General.

In his civilian career, Major General Katkus retired from the Anchorage Police Department on 14 December 2000 after over 21 years of service. During his tenure with APD he served as patrol officer, traffic officer, canine handler, Patrol Sergeant, Sergeant of the Crimes Against Children Unit, shift Lieutenant, and Captain of the Resource Division.

Major General Katkus resides in Chugiak with his wife Jo and his sons Kristopher and Kevan.

Education:

- 1977 B.A. Political Science, Saint Michael's College, Colchester , VT
- 1980 Officer Candidate School , Ft. Richardson , AK
- 1982 Officer Basic Course, Infantry, Ft. Benning , GA
- 1986 Officer Advanced Course, Armor, Ft. Knox , KY
- 1992 Police Staff & Command School , Northwestern University, Evanston , IL
- 1999 Command and General Staff College (Reserve Component)
- 2002 U.S. Army Defense Strategies Course
- 2004 M.A., Strategic Studies, U.S. Army War College DDE, Carlisle, PA

Assignments:

- Oct 77 Enlisted Service (Medic), Airborne Detachment, 207 th Infantry Group (Scout), Camp Carroll , AK
- Mar 81 Light Reconnaissance Team Commander, Airborne Detachment, 207 th Infantry Grp, Camp Carroll , AK
- May 85 Scout Platoon Leader, A Company, 5 th Battalion, 297 th Infantry, Anchorage , AK
- Dec 86 Support Platoon Leader, Headquarters Company, 5 th Battalion, 297 th Infantry, Anchorage , AK
- Apr 98 Battalion Motor Officer, Headquarters Company, 5 th Battalion, 297 th Infantry, Anchorage , AK
- May 90 Headquarters Company Commander, Headquarters, 5 th Battalion, 297 th Infantry, Anchorage , AK
- Sep 92 Assistant S-4 (Logistics), 207 th Infantry Group (Scout), Camp Denali , AK
- Nov 93 Communications/Electronics Officer, Headquarters, 2 nd Battalion, 297 th Infantry, Bethel , AK
- May 94 Infantry Company Commander, B Company, 2 nd Battalion, 297 th Infantry, Quinhagak , AK
- Aug 96 Battalion S-3 (Operations), Headquarters, 3 rd Battalion, 297 th Infantry, Juneau , AK
- Nov 99 Inspector General, 207 th Infantry Group (Scout), Camp Denali , AK
- Jul 00 Battalion Commander, Headquarters, 3 rd Battalion, 297 th Infantry, Juneau , AK
- Oct 01 Management Information Security Officer, STARC, Camp Denali , AK
- Jan 03 Chief of Staff, STARC, Camp Denali , AK
- Feb 04 Chief of Staff, AKARNG Element-Joint Forces Headquarters, Camp Denali , AK
- Apr 04 Assistant Adjutant General – Space & Missile Defense, Joint Forces HQ – Alaska , Camp Denali , AK
- Apr 07 Commander, Alaska Army National Guard, Joint Forces HQ – Alaska , Camp Denali , AK
- Aug 09 The Adjutant General - Alaska

Federal Awards and Decorations:

- Legion of Merit
- Meritorious Service Medal
- Army Commendation Medal with 3 Oak Leaf clusters
- Air Force Commendation Medal
- Army Achievement Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters
- Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal with 6 Oak Leaf Clusters
- National Defense Service Medal

- Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
- Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Silver Hourglass Device
- Army Service Ribbon
- Alaska State Service Medal
- United States Army Excellence in Competition Badge (Bronze Pistol)
- Parachute Badge

Effective Dates of Promotion

- Dec 80 Second Lieutenant
- Dec 83 First Lieutenant
- Jul 88 Captain
- Apr 94 Major
- Jan 00 Lieutenant Colonel
- Jun 03 Colonel
- Aug 05 Brigadier General
- Apr 10 Major General



Rear Admiral Thomas P. Ostebo

Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District



Rear Admiral Thomas P. Ostebo assumed the duties as the Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District in May 2011. He is responsible for all Coast Guard Operations throughout Alaska which includes protecting life and property, enforcing federal laws and treaties, preserving the living marine resources, and promoting national security. Headquartered in Juneau, AK, the Seventeenth District includes portions of the North Pacific Ocean, Arctic Ocean, and Bering Sea. As the Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Alaska, he provides operationally ready maritime forces to both Coast Guard and Department of Defense Commanders for Coast Guard, joint, and interagency operations both domestically and internationally.

In his previous assignment, Rear Admiral Ostebo was the Coast Guard's Assistant Commandant for Engineering and Logistics (CG-4). He was responsible for all naval, civil, aeronautical, and industrial engineering and logistics for the Coast Guard's \$25 billion capital plant which includes 23,000 facilities, 230 ships, 1,800 boats, and 200 aircraft. RADM Ostebo was responsible for executing an annual budget of \$1 billion and leading 2,200 personnel at Coast Guard Headquarters and three major Headquarters commands.

Rear Admiral Ostebo's other assignments include Executive Assistant to the Commandant of the Coast Guard, Executive Assistant to the Chief of Coast Guard Operations, Commanding Officer of Air Stations Cape Cod and Traverse City, and Chief Aeronautical Engineering Officer at Air Station Clearwater, Florida and Air Station Sitka, Alaska. He has also served as Chief of Inventory, Logistics, and Finance at the Coast Guard's largest industrial depot, the Aircraft Repair and Supply Center, in Elizabeth City, North Carolina and as First Lieutenant aboard USCGC ACTIVE in New Castle, New Hampshire.

Rear Admiral Ostebo completed Naval Flight Training in 1984 in Pensacola, Florida and completed tours of duty at CGAS Cape Cod, CGAS Sitka, CGAS Clearwater, CGAS Traverse City, and the CG Aircraft Repair and Supply Center. During this time, he flew 4,000 flight hours, attained qualifications on the HH-3F, HH-60J, HC-130H, HH-65A/B and the HU-25, and qualified as an Aircraft Commander and Instructor Pilot. Admiral Ostebo also completed his Civilian Airline Transport Rating and Airframe and Power Plant Authorization.

A native of Kings Park, New York, Admiral Ostebo graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in 1981 with a Bachelors of Science in Mathematics and Computer Science. In 1993, Admiral Ostebo earned a Master of Science in Industrial Administration from Purdue University's Krannert School of Business. He has completed a Senior Fellowship in National Security at Harvard University in 2002 and a Senior Fellowship at the Naval War College in 2005. Additionally, he has earned a Program Manager Level III Certification in Acquisitions and a Program Manager Level I Certification in Logistics. Admiral Ostebo was promoted to flag rank in July 2008.

His military decorations include three Legions of Merit, the Distinguished Flying Cross, three Meritorious Service Medals, two CG Commendation Medals, and the CG Achievement Medal.