

# **MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (MILITARY)**

## **To Foreign Officers**

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

<b>HAUSMANN, Jeffrey Allen</b>	MSM	CG: 08 December 2012
Colonel - USAF	US Air Force	GH: None
United States Defense attaché and head of the Office of Defense Cooperation		DOI: September 2009 to January 2012

"Colonel Hausmann was the senior United States Defense attaché and head of the Office of Defense Cooperation, from September 2009 to January 2012. His focus on binational co-operation was critical to Royal Canadian Air Force operations and ensured that the Air Force benefitted from the information, experience and resources of the United States Department of Defence and aerospace industry. His efforts were instrumental in the successful procurement of the C-17 aircraft for Canada and the accompanying training of 1 600 Canadian Forces members in the United States."

Jeff Hausmann completed the Air War College, Command and General Staff College and is a graduate of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He was promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel on 27 February 2001. He was a USAF Training and Exercise Division Chief at the Combined Forces Command Korea and served as the Defense and Air Attaché at the US Embassy in Ottawa from September 2009 to January 2012. After retiring from the USAF, he became a production Test Pilot for Large Cabin aircraft at Gulfstream Aerospace in Savannah, Georgia.

**Colonel Jeffrey Allen Hausmann, MSM, USAF**

May 2016 to Current (May 2021)	Advanced Flight Deck, Gulfstream Aerospace
January 2012 to May 2016	Gulfstream Aerospace, Savannah, Georgia Area, Production Test Pilot, Large Cabin
May 2016 to Present	Gulfstream Aerospace, Savannah, Georgia Area, Director, Advanced Flight Deck
January 2012	Retired from USAF
September 2009 – January 2012	Defense and Air Attaché US Embassy Ottawa USAF Senior military advisor to US Ambassador. Represents Secretary of Defense and NORAD-NORTHCOM Commander to Canadian Forces. Oversees US military equipment/training sales and support to Canadian military
July 2007 – April 2009	Training and Exercises Division Chief - Combined Forces Command Korea USAF Planned, executed, and developed lessons learned for the two largest simulation-driven exercises in the world. These exercises were key to the combat readiness of senior US and South Korean Flag and General Officers in the US and South Korean forces.
2007 to 2008	Fighter Pilot USAF
March 2004 to May 2006	Commander - 61st Fighter Squadron - Luke AFB Arizona United States Air Force Led 70-person, 28-aircraft squadron executing \$30M flying hour program responsible for training US and foreign active and reserve component F-16 pilots
2006 to 2007	Air War College – Masters in Strategic Studies
1999 to 2000	Command and General Staff College – Masters in Military Art and Science

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FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

<b>MILLER, Christopher D.</b>	MSM	CG:	08 December 2012
Major-General - USAF	US Air Force	GH:	13 November 2012
North American Aerospace Defence Command USA Northern & Canada Command		DOI:	2007 to 2009

"From 2007 to 2009, Major-General Miller, of Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado, distinguished himself by developing enduring staff relationships and identifying operational improvements within the North American Aerospace Defence Command, the United States Northern Command and Canada Command. His outstanding leadership and integrity ensured effective intergovernmental and military co-operation, ultimately strengthening the defence and security of Canada and the United States."



**Lieutenant-General Christopher D. MILLER, MSM**

Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategic Plans and Programs – HQ US Air Force Washington, D.C.

LGen Christopher D. Miller is Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategic Plans and Programs, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C. In support of the Chief of Staff and Secretary of the Air Force, General Miller leads the development and integration of the Air Force's long-range plans and the five-year, \$635 billion U.S. Air Force Future Years Defense Program to ensure Air Force ability to build and employ effective air, space and cyber forces to achieve national defense objectives.

General Miller entered Air Force service as a distinguished graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1980, subsequently earning a master's degree from Oxford University. His staff assignments include two previous tours at Headquarters U.S. Air Force in international affairs and plans and policy positions; and duty as policy adviser to the U.S. Ambassador to NATO. He was a Military Fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations; the Director of Assignments at the Air Force Personnel Center; and Director of Plans, Policy and Strategy for North American Aerospace Defense Command and U.S. Northern Command. The general is a command pilot with more than 2,700 flying hours in B-2, B-1 and T-38 aircraft.

General Miller's operational assignments include two wing commands, serving as the senior Air Force commander in Afghanistan, responsible for Airmen and aircraft conducting joint and coalition reconstruction and combat operations; and command of America's only B-2 wing at Whiteman AFB, Mo. He was part of the B-1B initial cadre, and commanded at both squadron and group levels during maturation of the B-1's global conventional strike capability.

**EDUCATION**

1980 Bachelor of Science degree in international relations and history, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

1982 Master of Philosophy degree in international relations, Oxford University, England

1985 Squadron Officer School, by correspondence

1991 Master of Arts degree in national security and strategic studies, College of Naval Command and Staff, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.

1996 Air War College, by seminar

1997 College of Security Studies and Defense Economics, George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, Garmisch, Germany

2003 Senior Executive Program, Columbia University, New York, N.Y.

2007 National Security Studies Program, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

## **Lieutenant-General Christopher D. MILLER, MSM**

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. October 1980 - July 1982, graduate student, Oxford University, England
2. August 1982 - July 1983, student, undergraduate pilot training, Williams AFB, Ariz.
3. August 1983 - November 1986, T-38 instructor pilot, squadron executive officer, wing assistant executive officer and inspector general, 82nd Flying Training Wing, Williams AFB, Ariz.
4. December 1986 - September 1987, international politico-military affairs officer, Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of the Air Force for International Affairs, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
5. September 1987 - January 1988, B-1B pilot initial qualification training, Dyess AFB, Texas
6. February 1988 - June 1990, B-1B pilot, aircraft commander and flight commander, 28th Bomb Squadron, McConnell AFB, Kansas
7. July 1990 - June 1991, student, College of Naval Command and Staff, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.
8. July 1991 - July 1993, air operations officer and Chief, Concepts Branch, Strategy Division, Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans and Operations; later, policy & issues analyst, Secretary of the Air Force Staff Group, Headquarters USAF, Washington DC
9. August 1993 - December 1996, operations officer and Commander, 37th Bomb Squadron; later, Deputy Commander, 28th Operations Group, Ellsworth AFB, S.D.
10. December 1996 - June 1997, Air Force Fellow, College of Security Studies and Defense Economics, George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, Garmisch, Germany
11. August 1997 - March 2000, policy adviser on Defense Planning, U.S. Ambassador to NATO, Brussels, Belgium
12. April 2000 - August 2001, Commander, 7th Operations Group, Dyess AFB, Texas
13. August 2001 - July 2002, Military Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, N.Y.
14. July 2002 - April 2004, Director of Assignments, Headquarters Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph AFB, Texas
15. April 2004 - May 2006, Commander, 509th Bomb Wing, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
16. May 2006 - May 2007, Commander, 455th Air Expeditionary Wing, and Director, Air Component Coordination Element, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan
17. May 2007 - August 2009, Director of Plans, Policy and Strategy (J5), North American Aerospace Defense Command and U.S. Northern Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.
18. August 2009 - November 2009, Special Assistant to the Vice Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
19. November 2009 - 2011, Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategic Plans & Programs, HQ U.S. Air Force, Washington, DC
20. Inaugural Helen & Arthur E. Johnson Chair for the Study of the Profession of Arms, endowed by a significant gift via the U.S. Air Force Academy

### **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1 August 1997 - March 2000, policy adviser on Defense Planning, U.S. Ambassador to NATO, Brussels, Belgium, as a Colonel
2. May 2006 - May 2007, Director, CJTF-76 and CJTF-82 Air Component Coordination Element, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan, as a Brigadier-General
3. May 2007 - August 2009, Director, Plans, Policy and Strategy (J5), Headquarters North American Aerospace Defense Command and U.S. Northern Command, Peterson AFB, Colo., as a Major-General

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**Lieutenant-General Christopher D. MILLER, MSM**

**MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Air Force Distinguished Service Medal  
Defense Superior Service Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters  
Bronze Star Medal  
Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters  
Afghanistan Campaign Medal with two bronze stars  
Meritorious Service Medal (Canada)

**FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command pilot  
Flight hours: More than 2,700  
Aircraft flown: B-1, B-2, T-37 and T-38

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

28 May 1980	Second Lieutenant
28 May 1982	First Lieutenant
28 May 1984	Captain
01 January 1990	Major
01 June 1993	Lieutenant-Colonel
01 September 1998	Colonel
01 September 2005	Brigadier General
01 November 2008	Major General
16 November 2009	Lieutenant General



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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**USAL, Siegfried**

Colonel – French Air Force  
Defence Attaché to the Embassy of France in Ottawa

MSM  
French Citizen

CG: 08 December 2012  
GH: 13 November 2012  
DOI: 2010 to 2012



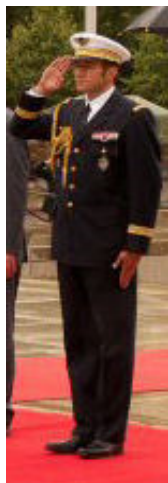
“The binational co-operation efforts of Colonel Usal, Defence Attaché to the embassy of France in Ottawa since 2010, were vital to the Royal Canadian Air Force’s operations. They also helped to ensure stronger ties between French and Canadian armed forces during Canadian operations in Libya. Colonel Usal’s expertise has been indispensable for Canada and manifestly aided in strengthening the coalition forces, of which Canada was an essential participant.”

Colonel Siegfried Usal is the Defence Attaché at the French Embassy in Ottawa. He has served as an Aide-de-Camp for the President of the Republic of France. He was the Commanding Officer of Fighter Squadron 1/12 “Picardy”. He served as the French Air Force Air to Air Missile Staff Requirement Manager at French Air Force Staff HQ.

**Colonel Siegfried Usal, MSM, French Air Force  
Aero Montreal, Vice-president, Strategy, Research and Technology, Thales Group**

Siegfried Usal is a French and Canadian Air Force Veteran, retired Colonel and Fighter Squadron Commander, who holds tremendous combat experience in former-Yugoslavia and the Middle-East as a French Mirage 2000 and a Canadian CF-18 flight leader.

A senior executive with extensive skill sets and experience across Military, Politics, Diplomacy and Procurement, he has held multiple Executive Manager Positions ranging from Fighter Squadron Commander to Executive Assistant to the President of the French Republic.



Mr. Usal also held Program Management Responsibilities for the Air-to-Air Weapon System European Program Meteor, and later as Core Supervisor for the complete renewal of the French Governmental Fleet.

As former Aide de camp to the President of the French Republic (2007-2010) followed by his appointment as the French Defense Attaché to Canada (2010-2013), Mr. Usal capitalizes on unique transverse, operational and technical experience and achievements to create high technology value with governments, big corporate organizations and multi-disciplinary ecosystems.

Having joined Thales in 2013 and now head of the Directorate of Strategy, Marketing and Technology, Mr. Usal holds a portfolio that spans from Research & Technology to Marketing and Strategy with a team of more than 50 managers, engineers and scientists. He is responsible for development and implementation of the yearly Country Strategic Business Plan.

A graduate of the French Air Force Academy in 1992 and the Canadian Forces College in 2004, Mr. Usal holds an Engineering Diploma in Aeronautics, a Master of Science in Aeromechanics and a Master of Defense Studies.

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**PAGANINI, John**

MSM

CG: 27 April 2013

Lieutenant-Colonel – United States Army

American Citizen

GH: 20 March 2013

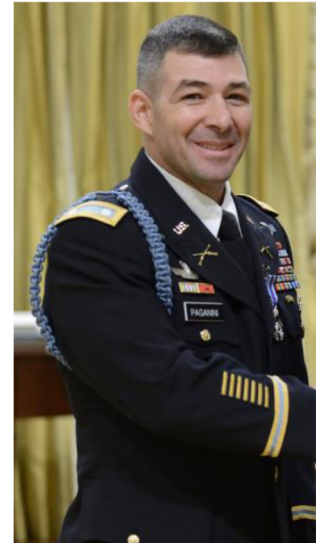
Commanding Officer 1-71 Cavalry Squadron in Afghanistan

DOI: April 2010 to March 2011

“Lieutenant-Colonel Paganini, of the United States Army, performed exceptionally well as commanding officer of the 1-71 Cavalry Squadron, in Afghanistan from April 2010 to March 2011. Under his front-line leadership, the squadron earned a reputation for its effectiveness and professionalism, and established itself as a critical component of Task Force Kandahar. Lieutenant-Colonel Paganini’s tactical acumen and drive to succeed set an example for soldiers of all nations and were critical to the Canadian Forces’ operational success in Afghanistan.”

**Colonel John PAGANINI, MSM, United States Army**

Colonel John Paganini, born in 1967 on Avenue J in Flatbush and grew up in Old Bridge, New Jersey, rooting for the Yankees, Rangers and Giants with visits to relatives in the Bronx and Brooklyn for holiday feasts. Like many in the military, the West Pointer lost loved ones in the twin towers and was eager to take the fight to those who gave sanctuary to Osama Bin Laden. He was the Commander of the Fort Drum based 1-71 Cavalry of the 10th Mountain Division in Afghanistan and was training the Afghan National Police Force. After Afghanistan, he was the director of the U.S. Army’s Counterinsurgency Center at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.



He is a 1992 graduate of the United States Military Academy (West Point). He served as a Platoon Leader, Support Platoon Leader, and S-3 Air in the 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment from 1993 to 1996. After completing the Infantry Officer’s Advanced Course, he reported to the Republic of Korea where he serves as the S-1 and Commander of ‘C’ Company, 1-506th Infantry Regiment. He left Korea in 1998 and served in the 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment as the S-4 and ‘C’ Company Commander, deploying to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in 2002.

He then attended Intermediate Level Education at Fort Leavenworth Kansas and then was assigned to the 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia where he served at the G3 Maneuver Planner. During OIF II, he served as the S3 for 3-7 Infantry. After returning to Fort Stewart he was assigned to the 4th Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division. He returned to Iraq with the 3rd Infantry Division HQ to stand up the Multi-National Division Center South for surge operations in 2007. He returned to the Ranger Regiment later in 2007 to serve as the Regimental S-4 and deployed to Iraq twice to serve as the J4 and J3 for a Joint Special Operations Task Force. In February 2009, he took command of the 1st Squadron, 71st Cavalry Regiment at Fort Drum, New York and deployed to the Kandahar Province of Afghanistan to serve under the Canadian Task Force Kandahar for one year.



On 01 January 2013, he was promoted to full Colonel.

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**HABIBI, Ahmad**

Brigadier-General Afghanistan Army  
Commander of the 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade, 205<sup>th</sup> Hero Corps

MSM

Islamic Republic of Afghanistan Citizen

CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 01 July 2013 \*

DOI: 2010 to 2011



"For his outstanding leadership and close cooperation with Task Force Kandahar while serving as Commander of the 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade, 205<sup>th</sup> Corps. The medal is awarded for his operational focus and commitment to development and effective governance of his area of operations and his efforts helped bring greater stability to the area. His courage and dedication have contributed to the success of the Canadian Forces mission in Kandahar and fostered an enduring bond between the ANA and the Canadian Forces."

\* Awarded by Ambassador, retired Vice-Admiral Glen Davidson and MGen Dean Milner on 01 July 2011 in Kabul, Afghanistan

**SHAH, Ahmad**

Brigadier-General Afghanistan Army  
Commander of 205<sup>th</sup> Hero Corps

MSM

Islamic Republic of Afghanistan Citizen

CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 01 July 2013 \*

DOI: 2010 to 2011



"He was the Deputy Commander, Operations Coordination Center-Region (OCCR) South and the medal was awarded for his work as the commander of 205<sup>th</sup> Hero Corps in 2010-2011. Returning to active service at the request of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, he fully integrated the Canadian Contingent into the 205<sup>th</sup> Hero Corps operations through partnered mentor teams. He enabled team success and was a valued member of the Senior Security Partners, consulting the Commanding General and Senior Canadian staff within Regional Command South."

\* Awarded by Ambassador, retired Vice-Admiral Glen Davidson and MGen Dean Milner on 01 July 2011 in Kabul, Afghanistan



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**LEONARD, Dene**

Major – United States Army  
Joint Task Force Afghanistan Intelligence Planner

MSM  
American Citizen

CG: Not Gazetted  
GH: 10 September 2013  
DOI: August 2010 to August 2011

“Major Leonard, of the United States Army, demonstrated leadership, initiative and professionalism as the Joint Task Force Afghanistan intelligence planner from August 2010 to August 2011. The driving force behind the integration of several American capabilities, he constantly sought means to increase the operational effectiveness of intelligence operations. Major Leonard's ability to synchronize the efforts of Canadian, American and Afghan intelligence staffs enabled the targeted pursuit of insurgents and contributed directly to operational success.”

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**BRIGGS II, Jack L.**

Brigadier-General – United States Air Force  
Deputy Commander 1 Canadian Air Division & Canadian NORAD Region HQ

MSM  
American Citizen

CG: 22 February 2014  
GH: 14 February 2014  
DOI: July 2011 to October 2013

“Between July 2011 and October 2013, as deputy combined/joint forces air component commander at 1 Canadian Air Division/Canadian NORAD Region Headquarters, Brigadier-General Briggs was instrumental in the successful delivery of the “NORAD defence of North America” mission, and of the Canadian Armed Forces’ domestic operations and international combat and support missions. Brigadier-General Briggs’s performance has strengthened our relationship with our United States allies and has contributed to the ongoing pursuit of our North American security goals.”

**Major-General Jack L. BRIGGS II, MSM, USAF**

Major-General. Jack L. Briggs II is the Vice Commander, 1st Air Force (Air Forces Northern), Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla., and serves as the Deputy Joint Forces Air Component Commander for U.S. Northern Command. He is the principal advisor to the commander and assists in organizing, equipping and operating air defense forces for aerospace warning and control in support of the Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command and U.S. Northern Command. These forces include the Continental NORAD Region Air Operations Center, two air defense sectors, 16 fighter alert sites and 10 Air National Guard fighter wings.

General Briggs entered the Air Force in 1986 as a distinguished graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy. He has served as an instructor pilot, wing weapons officer and chief of wing safety. He has commanded at the squadron and wing levels. The general has extensive experience in Europe, including his selection as the first Olmsted Scholar to Hungary. He also held NATO staff positions as an operations evaluator; adviser to the Combined Forces Air Component Commander during Operation Allied Force; and executive officer to the Supreme Allied Commander Europe, and the Commander, U.S. European Command. Gen Briggs has flown 225 combat sorties in operations Desert Storm, Northern Watch, Southern Watch, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. He was promoted to Major-General on 3 July 2014.



Prior to his current assignment, General Briggs was the Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region, and Deputy Commander for Operations, 1st Air Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. He represented the U.S. military as the senior U.S. military officer in Canada and was responsible for mission effectiveness and administration of U.S. Air Force units assigned to Canada.

## **Brigadier-General Jack L. BRIGGS II, MSM, USAF**

### **EDUCATION**

- 1986 Bachelor of Science degree in history, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 1990 NATO Tactical Leadership Program, Florennes, Belgium
- 1993 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 1997 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 1997 Master of Science degree in international economics, Budapest University of Economic Science, Hungary
- 1998 Master of Arts degree in international relations, Troy State University, Ala.
- 2005 Master's degree in strategic studies, highest honors, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2009 Executive Leadership Seminar, Darden Business School, University of Virginia, Charlottesville

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1. September 1986 - October 1987, student, undergraduate pilot training, 80th Flying Training Wing, Sheppard AFB, Texas
- 2. February 1988 - August 1988, student, F-111A initial qualification training, 389th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
- 3. September 1988 - June 1992, F-111F instructor pilot, and weapons and tactics officer, 494th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Royal Air Force Lakenheath, England
- 4. November 1992 - August 1994, F-15E instructor pilot; weapons and tactics officer; and standards and evaluations officer, 48th Operations Support Squadron, RAF Lakenheath, England
- 5. August 1994 - June 1995, student, Foreign Service Institute, U.S. State Department, Washington, D.C.
- 6. June 1995 - May 1997, Olmsted Scholar, Budapest University of Economic Sciences, Hungary
- 7. June 1997 - March 1999, F-15E instructor pilot and assistant operations officer, 335th Fighter Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
- 8. March 1999 - March 2001, Chief, Air Defense Weapons, and operations staff officer, Allied Air Forces Southern Europe, Naples, Italy
- 9. March 2001 - August 2002, Chief of Safety, 49th Fighter Wing, Holloman AFB, N.M.
- 10. September 2002 - June 2003, Assistant Deputy Commander, 49th Operations Group, Holloman AFB, N.M.
- 11. June 2003 - June 2004, Commander, Air Force Forces, Joint Task Force-Bravo, and Commander, 612th Air Base Squadron, Soto Cano Air Base, Honduras
- 12. July 2004 - July 2005, student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 13. July 2005 - April 2006, Director of Safety, Headquarters U.S. Air Forces in Europe, Ramstein AB, Germany
- 14. April 2006 - June 2007, Vice Commander, 38th Combat Support Wing, Ramstein AB, Germany
- 15. June 2007 - August 2008, Commander, 65th Air Base Wing, Lajes Field, Azores
- 16. August 2008 - August 2009, executive officer to the Supreme Allied Commander Europe, and Commander, U.S. European Command, Mons, Belgium
- 17. August 2009 - April 2010, Director of Inspections, Office of the Air Force Inspector General, Washington, D.C.
- 18. April 2010 - June 2011, Commander, 455th Air Expeditionary Wing, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan
- 19. July 2011 - August 2013, Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region, and Deputy Commander for Operations, 1st Air Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
- 20. August 2013 - present, Vice Commander, 1st Air Force (Air Forces Northern), Tyndall AFB, Fla.
- 21. June 2014 - present, Director of Operations, U.S. Northern Command, Peterson AFB, Colorado
- July 2014 - Promoted to Major-General

## Major-General Jack L. BRIGGS II, MSM, USAF

### SUMMARY of JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. March 1999 - March 2001, Chief, Air Defense Weapons, and operations staff officer, Allied Air Forces Southern Europe, Naples, Italy, as a major and lieutenant colonel
2. August 2008 - August 2009, executive officer to the Supreme Allied Commander Europe, and Commander, U.S. European Command, Mons, Belgium, as a colonel.

### FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command pilot

Flight hours: 3,200

Aircraft flown: F-15E, F-117A and F-111F

### MAJOR AWARDS and DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster

Legion of Merit

Distinguished Flying Cross with "V" device

Bronze Star

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with six oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Joint Service Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

Combat Readiness Medal with oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Service Medal Canada (MSM)

32 Medals plus the MSM

### EFFECTIVE DATES of PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant	28 May 1986
First Lieutenant	28 May 1988
Captain	28 May 1990
Major	01 Sept 1997
Lieutenant Colonel	01 May 2000
Colonel	01 Feb 2006
Brigadier General	15 Nov 2010
Major General	03 July 2014



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FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**LITTERINI, Norman Peter**

Colonel – United States Army

Deputy chief of staff of the Canadian Expeditionary Force Command

MSM

American Citizen

CG: 22 February 2014

GH: 10 September 2013

DOI: July 2011 to June 2013



“As deputy chief of staff of the Canadian Expeditionary Force Command, and subsequently of Canadian Joint Operations Command, from July 2011 to June 2013, Colonel Litterini played a critical role in the transformation of the Canadian Armed Forces’ operational command triad into a single structure. Displaying remarkable leadership and drive, he effectively navigated this transformation while ensuring staff focus remained on supporting operations. Colonel Litterini’s clear vision and insight provided great benefit to the Canadian Armed Forces and brought credit to the United States Army.”

**Colonel Norman Peter LITTERINI, MSM**

August 2013 to present	Senior Military Advisor, Western Hemisphere Affairs, U.S. Department of State Foggy Bottom--HQ, U.S. Department of State (7 Months)
June 2011 to July 2013	Deputy Chief of Staff, J2/J3/J5/J7/J9, Canadian Joint Operations Command Canadian Joint Operations Command, (2 years 2 months) Ottawa, Canada Area
January 2010 to April 2010	Special Advisor to the SECDEF START Negotiator, Office of the Secretary of Defense (4 months) Geneva, Switzerland/Pentagon
September 2008 to December 2009	Mission Commander, Defense Threat Reduction Agency (1 year 4 months) Ft. Belvoir, VA
July 2007 to August 2008	Military Assistant to the NATO SECGEN Senior Civilian Representative International Security Assistance Force (1 year 2 months) Kabul, Afghanistan
July 2004 to July 2007	SACEUR Representative to the Russian General Staff/Strategic Affairs Group Member Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (3 years 1 month) Mons, Belgium
January 2001 to July 2001	NATO Representative for the NATO Partnership for Peace Consortium North Atlantic Treaty Organization (7 months) Moscow, Russian Federation
August 2000 to December 2000	Liaison Officer to the First Russian Airborne Peacekeeping Brigade US Army (5 months) Bosnia and Herzegovina
February 1998 to July 1999	Battery Commander, 82d Airborne Division US Army (1 year 6 months) Ft. Bragg, NC
February 1992 to July 1999	Field Artilleryman/Fire Support Officer US Army (7 years 6 months) Ft. Bragg, NC and the Republic of Korea <sup>1</sup>

**Medals:** Legion of Merit – Bronze Star – X – USA MSM – 9 medals – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – NATO MSM – Canadian MSM

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<sup>1</sup> Laura and Colonel Norman Litterini



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

<b>HABIB HESARI, Mohammad</b>	MSM	CG: Not Gazetted
Major-General – Afghanistan Army	Islamic Republic of Afghanistan	GH: No Entry
Commander of the Afghan National Army Training		DOI: July 2012 to March 2014

“As commander of the Afghan National Army Training and Education Command from July 2012 to March 2014, Major-General Habib Hesari provided indispensable support to the Canadian mission. He played a significant role in establishing a new training and education structure while consistently providing exceptional leadership and guidance to Canadian personnel under his command. An excellent spokesman for Canada’s mission, Major-General Habib Hesari has eloquently highlighted the impact of Canadian Efforts to Afghanistan’s most senior leaders.”



Medal presented by General Tom Lawson and Major-General Dean Milner.

<b>KARIMI, Sher Mohammad</b>	MSM	CG: Not Gazetted
General – Afghan Army	Islamic Republic of Afghanistan	GH: 20 February 2014
Chief of the General Staff of the Afghanistan National Army		DOI: October 2010 to September 2013

“As Chief of the General Staff from October 2010 to September 2013, General Karimi was essential to building and fielding the Army, as well as, leading the fight against the insurgency. Throughout these efforts, his insistence on a Canadian presence amongst his advisors put Canada’s mission in the limelight and raised the profile of the Canadian Armed Forces among other coalition nations. General Karimi’s outstanding performance contributed greatly to the operational success of the Afghan National Army and was critical to the effectiveness of Canada’s mission.”



<b>MERZAH, Sayed</b>	MSM	CG: Not Gazetted
Command Sergeant-Major – Afghan National Army	Islamic Republic of Afghanistan	GH: 20 February 2014
Afghan National Army Command Sergeant-Major		DOI: May 2011 to March 2014

“From May 2011 to March 2014, Command Sergeant Major Merzahi delivered an exceptional performance as the senior non-commissioned officer at the Kabul Military Training Centre. In addition to the instrumental role he played in developing the non-commissioned officer corps, he directly facilitated Canadian readiness training, enhanced force protection for Canadian personnel and provided Canadian advisors with a better understanding of Afghan culture. Command Sergeant Major Merzahi’s accomplishments had a positive impact on Canadian operations and were critical to the rebuilding of the Afghan National Army.”



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**MERCIER, Denis**

General – French Air Force  
Chief of the Staff French Air Force

MSM  
French Citizen

CG: Not Gazetted  
GH: 29 May 2014  
DOI: September 2012 to May 2014

“Since September 2012, General Denis Mercier has shown leadership and professionalism in strengthening the ties between the French and Canadian air forces. His openness to constructive ideas and the concrete actions he has taken in developing a plan to consolidate the two forces are the basis for our enhanced relations. Through his efforts, General Mercier has brought great credit to his country and the benefits of his work deserve to be recognized by the Canadian Armed Forces and Canada.”

**General Denis MERCIER, MSM**

General Denis Mercier was born on 04 October 1959 in Barcelonnette (Alpes-de-Haute-Provence). He became the Chief of Staff of the French Air Force on 17 September 2012. He is a former student of the military school in Aix-en-Provence. He was admitted to the School of the Air in 1979 (promotion "Captain Caroff of Kervezec"). He became a fighter pilot in 1983 and began his career on the operational air base 115 Orange-Caritat in the fighter squadron 1/5 "Vendée" and flying the Mirage F-1.



In 1987, he joined the fighter squadron 3/2 "Alsace" equipped with Mirage 2000 at the 102 Air Base Dijon and was then assigned to Orange again from 1988 to 1990, within the squadron Hunting 2/5 "Ile de France". In 1990, he joined the 103 Cambrai airbase to be the fighter squadron "Cambrai" which he commanded from 1991 to 1994.

From 1994 to 1996, he was transferred to the office use of Air Force Command combat on the 128 Air Base Metz before joining the office NATO the United Services Staff operational planning Creil. Upon completion in 1999, it serves to Brunssum, the Netherlands, in the headquarters of the Northern Command of NATO.

He graduated of Joint Defense College and he took command of the air base 112 of Reims from 2002 to 2004. After this period, he was posted to Paris in the office plans Staff of the Army of the air, as an assistant in 2004 and bureau chief in 2005. In 2007, he was appointed Assistant to the Deputy Chief-performance synthetic Staff of the Air Force.

In 2008, he took command of Schools officers Air Force to Salon-de-Provence. On 30 August 2010, he became the chief of the military cabinet of the Minister of Defence.

On 2 August 2012, he was appointed Chief of Staff of the Air Force from 17 September following, when he was elevated to the rank and title of General. He succeeds General Jean-Paul Paloméros. He became the Supreme Allied Commander of Transformation (NATO) on 21 September 2015.

He has 3,000 flight hours including 182 combat missions.





**General Denis MERCIER, MSM, French Air Force Medals:**



Commander of the Legion of Honour 28 June 2013

Officer of the National Order of Merit

Medal of Aeronautics

Overseas Medal with 2 Gold Bars

National Defence Medal (Gold Grade) with Bar

Medal of the Nation's Gratitude

French Commemorative Medal

Commemorative Medal of the Chief of General Staff of the Slovak Armed Forces with gold disc and gold star

Pingat Jasa Gemilang (Tentera)

Meritorious Service Medal (MSM)

Polish Army Medal in bronze

Order of Abdulaziz al Saud, First Class

Commander of the Order of the Crown

Slovakia

Singapore

Canada

Poland

Saudi Arabia

Belgium



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**  
**FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**BEAUREGARD, Douglas**

Chief Petty Officer – United States Navy  
Cyber Support Detachment Maritime Forces Atlantic

MSM  
American Citizen

CG: Not Gazetted  
GH: 24 June 2015  
DOI: August 2009 to June 2014



“As a member of the Cyber Support Detachment within Maritime Forces Atlantic from August 2009 to June 2014, Chief Petty Officer Beauregard was indispensable to the Canadian intelligence community. A consummate professional and skilled operator, he provided critical not-readily-available data access to two of Her Majesty’s Canadian ships deployed to the Arabian Sea, bringing great honour to himself, to the Canadian Armed Forces and to the United States Navy.”

Beauregard, who grew up in Dartmouth New Hampshire, is a 1987 graduate of Dartmouth High School. He graduated from Worcester State University in 1993, and joined the Navy shortly after as a cryptologic analyst. Beauregard was stationed in Hawaii, Washington D.C., Maryland and Halifax, Nova Scotia. He will retire in August 2015 with 23 years of service, where he'll relocate to Charlestown, S.C. as an analyst for Scientific Research Corp.

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**DOCKTER, Bryan**

Major – United States Air Force  
Chief Training Officer 436 Transport Squadron for CC-130J Hercules Aircraft

MSM  
American Citizen

CG: Not Gazetted  
GH: 24 June 2015  
DOI: July 2010 to July 2012



“From July 2010 to July 2012, Major Dockter was the chief training officer at 436 Transport Squadron, in Trenton, Ontario, during its transition to the newly acquired CC130J Hercules aircraft. With dedication and professionalism, and despite limited resources at his disposal, he developed and sustained a robust aircrew training program while simultaneously supporting operations worldwide in minimal time. Major Dockter’s efforts have had a lasting and positive impact on the development of this new capability in the Canadian Armed Forces.”

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**DUBIE, Michael D.**

MSM

CG: 14 November 2015

Lieutenant-General – United States Air Force

American Citizen

GH: Nil

Deputy Commander – U.S. Northern Command, NORAD

DOI: August 2012 to 2015

“Lieutenant-General Michael D. Dubie is the Deputy Commander, U.S. Northern Command, and Vice Commander, U.S. Element, North American Aerospace Defense Command at Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado. As Deputy Commander, U.S. Northern Command, General Dubie helps lead the command in anticipating, preparing and responding to threats to the U.S., its territories and interests within the assigned area of responsibility, and as directed by the President or Secretary of Defense, provide defense support to civil authorities in response to man-made or natural disasters.”

**Lieutenant-General Michael D. Dubie, MSM, USAF  
Deputy Commander – U.S. Northern Command, NORAD**



General Dubie began his military career in 1979 in the Army ROTC program at the University of Vermont and simultaneously joined the 150th Aviation Battalion, Vermont Army National Guard. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant, Armor Branch, in 1981. After transferring to the Vermont Air National Guard, General Dubie held a variety of command, staff and supervisory positions at the 158th Fighter Wing and Vermont Joint Force Headquarters. Additionally, General Dubie commanded the 447th Air Expeditionary Group at the Baghdad International Airport, Iraq.

Before assuming his current position, General Dubie served as the Adjutant General of Vermont, responsible for commanding units of the Air and Army National Guard. General Dubie is a command pilot with more than 2,000 flying hours, the majority in the F-16.

## **EDUCATION**

1982 Bachelor of Arts in Economics, University of Vermont, Burlington

1998 Air War College, in residence

1999 Master of Arts in International Relations, Norwich University, Northfield, Vt.

2003 John F. Kennedy School, Harvard University, Senior Executives in International Security, Cambridge, Mass.

2007 Capstone General and Flag Officer Course, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.

2007 National Security Studies Program, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

2008 George C. Marshall Center, Senior Executive Seminar, Garmisch, Germany

2009 Combined Force Air Component Commander Course, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. September 1979 - April 1982, 150th Aviation Battalion, 86th Armor Brigade, Army National Guard, Burlington, Vt.
2. May 1982 - December 1982, Student, undergraduate navigator training, Mather AFB, Calif.
3. December 1982 - October 1983, Student, F-4 weapon systems officer, McConnell AFB, Kan.
4. October 1983 - August 1985, F-4 WSO, 134th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Burlington Air National Guard Base, Vt.
5. August 1985 - August 1986, Student, undergraduate pilot training, Laughlin AFB, Texas
6. August 1986 - November 1986, Student, Lead-In Fighter Training, Holloman AFB, N.M.
7. November 1986 - June 1987, Student, F-16 pilot training, MacDill AFB, Fla.
8. June 1987 - February 1989, Air Sovereignty Alert Pilot, 134th Fighter Squadron, Burlington ANGB, Vt.
9. February 1989 - June 1989, F-16 Operational Test and Evaluation Pilot, 422nd Test Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
10. June 1989 - June 1992, Squadron Safety Officer, 134th Fighter Squadron, Burlington ANGB, Vt.
11. June 1992 - June 1995, F-16 Instructor Pilot and Flight commander, 134th Fighter Squadron, Burlington ANGB, Vt.
12. June 1995 - June 1997, Commander, 158th Operations Support Flight, Burlington ANGB, Vt.
13. June 1997 - June 1998, Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
14. June 1998 - October 2000, Director of Operations, Joint Force Headquarters, Colchester, Vt.
15. October 2000- September 2001, Director of Support Operations, attached Joint Force Headquarters, Honolulu, Hawaii

**Lieutenant-Michael D. Dubie, MSM, USAF**  
**Deputy Commander – U.S. Northern Command, NORAD**

16. September 2001 - September 2004, Director of Plans and Programs, Joint Force Headquarters, Colchester, Vt.  
(June 2004 - September 2004, Director Staff 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing and Commander, 447th Air Expeditionary Group, Operation Iraqi Freedom)
17. September 2004 - April 2006, Chief of Staff, Joint Force Headquarters, Colchester, Vt.
18. April 2006 - August 2012, Adjutant General, Joint Force Headquarters, Colchester, Vt.
19. August 2012 – July 2015, Deputy Commander, U.S. Northern Command, Peterson AFB, Colorado
20. September 2015 – Finished his processing and retired from the USAF

**SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. April 2006 - August 2012, Adjutant General, Joint Force Headquarters, VTNG, Colchester, Vt., as a major general
2. August 2012 - present, Deputy Commander, U.S. Northern Command, Peterson AFB, Colorado, as a lieutenant general

**CIVILIAN OCCUPATION**

Retired Commercial Airline Pilot

**FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: more than 2,000 (military); more than 7,000 (commercial)

Military aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, F-4D, F-16A/B/C/D

Commercial aircraft flown: B-727, Airbus 320, DC-10, B-747-400

**MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Defense Distinguished Service Medal

Air Force Distinguished Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Legion of Merit

Bronze Star Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Army Commendation Medal

Iraq Campaign Medal with bronze star

Canadian Meritorious Service Medal (MSM)



**Lieutenant-Michael D. Dubie, MSM, USAF**  
**Deputy Commander – U.S. Northern Command, NORAD**

**OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

1983 Distinguished Graduate, F-4 Training, McConnell AFB, Kan.  
1986 Distinguished Graduate, Pilot Training, Laughlin AFB, Texas  
1986 Air Training Command Commander's Trophy, Pilot Training, Laughlin AFB, Texas  
1986 Distinguished Graduate, Lead-In Fighter Training, Holloman AFB, N.M.  
1998 Air War College Award for Excellence, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2011 University of Vermont, Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, Burlington, Vt.  
2012 Saint Michael's College, Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa, Colchester, Vt.

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant	16 May	1981
First Lieutenant	16 May	1984
Captain	19 July	1986
Major	03 Oct	1992
Lieutenant Colonel	03 Oct	1996
Colonel	06 Oct	2000
Brigadier General	01 Oct	2004
Major General	01 March	2007
Lieutenant General	14 Aug	2012
Retired	01 Sep	2015

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**HYDE, Charles Kevin**

Brigadier-General – United States Air Force  
Deputy Commander – 1 Canadian Air Division and Cdn NORAD

MSM  
American Citizen

CG: 14 November 2015  
GH: 03 April 2017  
DOI: August 2012 to 2015

“Brigadier-General Hyde served as Deputy Combined/Joint Forces Air Component commander at 1 Canadian Air Division/Canadian NORAD Region Headquarters in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Between July 2013 and August 2015, he played a key role in NORAD and in the Canadian Armed Forces’ domestic operations and international missions. Brigadier-General Hyde’s vast experience and exemplary performance have further enhanced Canada’s role in NORAD and in the ongoing pursuit of our North American security goals.”

**Brigadier-General Charles Kevin Hyde, MSM  
United States Air Force**

Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region  
Deputy Combined/Joint Forces Air Component Commander, 1 Canadian Air Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada



Brigadier General Charles K. Hyde is the Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region, and Deputy Combined/Joint Force Air Component Commander for 1 Canadian Air Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. He is the principal adviser to the Canadian Commander and assumes command of NORAD forces assigned to CANR in the commander's absence. General Hyde is responsible for ensuring that the region's battle staff, air operations center, flying units, radar sensors, intelligence and command-and control-assets provide airspace warning and control, and space and maritime warning. He is the senior U.S. military officer in Canada and represents the U.S. military and his service, and is responsible for mission effectiveness and administration of U.S. Air Force units assigned to Canada.

General Hyde was commissioned in 1987 as a distinguished graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy. He has commanded at the squadron, group and wing levels. His commands include the 320th Expeditionary Operations Group at Seeb Air Base, Oman, during operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom, Vice Commander of the 386th Air Expeditionary Wing, Southwest Asia, and 314th Airlift Wing at Little Rock AFB, Arkansas. His senior staff experience includes Chief, Distribution Division, Directorate of Logistics, J-4, the Joint Staff, at the Pentagon, Washington, D.C. and Deputy Director of Intelligence, Operations, and Nuclear Integration for Flying Training, Headquarters AETC, Randolph AFB, Texas. Prior to his current assignment, General Hyde served as the Commander, 86th Airlift Wing, Ramstein Air Base, Germany.

**EDUCATION**

1987 Distinguished graduate, Bachelor of Science degree in international affairs, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs.  
1993 Distinguished graduate, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Montgomery, Ala.  
1997 Master of Science degree in organizational and human resource development, Abilene Christian University, Abilene, Texas  
2000 Distinguished graduate, Master of Arts degree in national security and strategic studies, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.  
2005 Master of Arts degree in strategic studies, Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.  
2008 Joint Professional Military Education Phase II, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.  
2009 Senior Officer Development Course, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, N.C.  
2009 U.S. Air Force Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Darden School of Business, University of Virginia, Charlottesville  
2010 Senior Executive Fellows Course, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.  
2012 AFSO21 Senior Leadership Course, University of Tennessee, Knoxville



**Brigadier-General Charles Kevin Hyde, MSM  
United States Air Force**

Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region  
Deputy Combined/Joint Forces Air Component Commander, 1 Canadian Air Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

**ASSIGNMENTS**

1. May 1987 - September 1988, student, undergraduate pilot training, Columbus AFB, Miss.
2. September 1988 - February 1989, pilot instructor training, Randolph AFB, Texas
3. February 1989 - April 1992, T-37 instructor pilot, RSU Controller and Director of Operations Executive Officer, 37th and 42nd Flying Training Squadrons, Columbus AFB, Miss.
4. April 1992 - November 1993, C-130 pilot and aircraft commander, 773rd Tactical Airlift Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas
5. November 1993 - December 1995, C-130 instructor pilot, flight commander, and chief of standardization and evaluation, 40th Airlift Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas
6. December 1995 - December 1996, executive officer and C-130 instructor pilot, 7th Wing, Dyess AFB, Texas
7. January 1997 - June 1997, assistant operations officer and C-130 evaluator pilot, 40th Airlift Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas
8. June 1997 - July 1999, Deputy Chief, Senior Officer Matters, Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, Ill.
9. July 1999 - November 2000, Course Officer, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.
10. November 2000 - December 2001, assistant operations officer, 517th Airlift Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
11. January 2002 - January 2004, Commander, 39th Airlift Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas (November 2002 - June 2003, Commander, 320th Expeditionary Operations Group, Seeb AB, Oman)
12. January 2004 - June 2004, Deputy Commander, 317th Airlift Group, Dyess AFB, Texas
13. June 2004 - September 2005, Course Officer, Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.
14. September 2005 - August 2006, Vice Commander, 386th Air Expeditionary Wing, Southwest Asia
15. September 2006 - July 2008, Chief, Distribution Division, Directorate of Logistics, J-4, the Joint Staff, Washington D.C.
16. October 2008 - August 2010, Commander, 314th Airlift Wing, Little Rock AFB, Ark.
17. September 2010 - September 2011, Deputy Director of Intelligence, Operations, and Nuclear Integration for Flying Training Headquarters AETC, Randolph AFB, Texas.
18. September 2011 - June 2013, Commander, 86th Airlift Wing, Ramstein Air Base, Germany
19. July 2013 - present, Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region, and Deputy Combined/Joint Forces Air Component Commander, 1 Canadian Air Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
20. Retired in 2015 to Powder Springs, Georgia

**SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. September 2006 - July 2008, Chief, Distribution Division, Directorate of Logistics, J-4, the Joint Staff, Washington D.C., as a colonel
2. July 2013 - present, Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region, and Deputy Combined/Joint Force Air Component Commander for 1st Canadian Air Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, as a brigadier general

**FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: more than 4,300

Aircraft flown: T-37, C-130E/H/J

**MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit with one oak leaf cluster

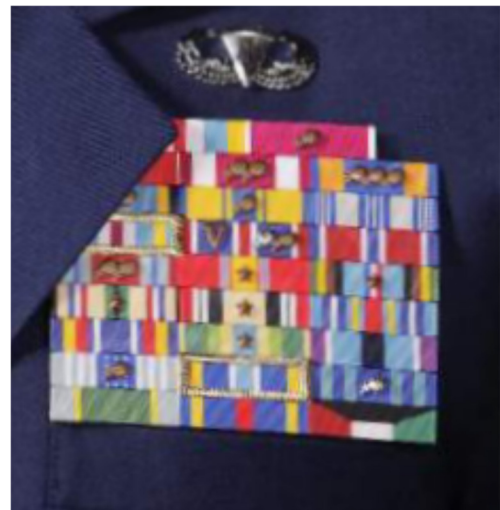
Bronze Star with one oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Meritorious Service Medal (Canada)



**Brigadier-General Charles Kevin Hyde, MSM  
United States Air Force**

Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region  
Deputy Combined/Joint Forces Air Component Commander, 1 Canadian Air Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

**OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

2005 Commandants Award for Distinction in Research, U.S. Army War College  
2004 Squadron Commander of the Year, 317th Airlift Group  
2000 Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Strategy Essay competition winner  
1995 Colonel Joe M. Jackson Award, best combat aerial delivery crew in Air Combat Command  
1995 Company Grade Officer of the Year, 40th Airlift Squadron  
1989 Distinguished Graduate and Top Graduate, T-37 instructor pilot training



**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant	27 May, 1987
First Lieutenant	27 May, 1989
Captain	27 May, 1991
Major	01 Aug., 1998
Lieutenant Colonel	01 May, 2001
Colonel	01 Aug., 2005
Brigadier General	22 July, 2011
Retired	01 May, 2015

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**  
**FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**STEWART, Jeffery**

Colonel – United States Army

Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, Canadian Joint Operational Command

MSM

American Citizen, Fairfax Virginia

CG: 14 November 2015

GH: 13 September 2017

DOI: 2013 to 2015

“For exemplary leadership and outstanding professionalism as the Deputy Commander, Operations of the Canadian Joint Operations Command from 2013 to 2015.”

“From 2013 to 2015, Colonel Stewart consistently demonstrated exemplary leadership and outstanding professionalism as deputy chief of staff operations at the Canadian Joint Operations Command in Ottawa, Ontario. Moreover, his work ethic, planning and organizational skills enabled him to make a direct and meaningful contribution to Canadian Armed Forces’ domestic and expeditionary operational success. Colonel Stewart’s dedication and commitment has brought great honour and recognition to Canada.”



**Colonel Jeffrey Stewart, MSM, US Army**

Colonel Jeff Stewart is a Distinguished Military Graduate from Western Oregon State College, holding a Bachelor of Arts degree in History. Colonel Stewart earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Military Science from the Sultan Qaboos University in Muscat, Oman, and a Master of Arts degree in Military History from the Command and General Staff College in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He also holds a Master of Arts degree in Military Science from the US Army War College. He joined the US Army in 1989.

Colonel Stewart has conducted Peacekeeping deployments in Haiti and the Sinai, as well as multiple combat deployments, including two tours in Iraq and one in Afghanistan. His most recent assignment was as Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations with the Canadian Joint Operations Command in Ottawa, Canada.

On 30 July 2015, he became the Commander of the Area Support Group in Kuwait.



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**SHEARER, Eugene**

Colonel – United States Army

Chief of the Combined Joint Logistics Branch within Regional Command South

MSM

American Citizen

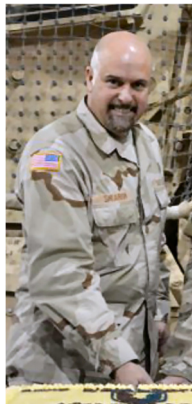
CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 29 December 2015 \*

DOI: May 2010 to June 2011



“Colonel Shearer, of the United States Army, was a true champion for Canada as Sustainment Enterprise Director and Chief of the Combined Joint Logistics Branch within Regional Command (South) Headquarters from May 2010 to June 2011. Consistently employing our soldiers in key positions, he was crucial to the Canadian Contingent’s integration into the Headquarters and ensured Canada received essential support during a critical period of mission transition. Col. Shearer’s superb leadership was vital to operational success and helped preserve Canada’s legacy in Afghanistan.”



Shearer retired from the U.S. Army after more than 23 years of active duty service in October 2014. His military service included 43 months deployed in support of combat operations in Iraq and Afghanistan and service as the chief of current operations for the U.S. Army G-4 in the Pentagon. After retirement he became the Defense Joint Logistics Operations Center Executive Officer.

\* Medal presented by Canadian Ambassador to the USA Gary Doer to Colonel Shearer and his family on 29 December 2015.

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**BUSHONG, Paul**

Vice-Admiral – United States Navy  
United States Security Coordinator for Israel and the Palestinian Authority

MSM  
American Citizen

CG: Not Gazetted  
GH: 27 April 2016  
DOI: October 2012 to October 2014

“As the United States security coordinator for Israel and the Palestinian Authority from October 2012 to October 2014, Vice-Admiral Bushong was the leader of a military-civilian team that included Canadian personnel. Under his direction, the group achieved its goals, despite the relatively small size of the unit and the numerous regional challenges it faced. With leadership and a singular operational vision, Vice-Admiral Bushong helped to advance Canada’s strategic initiatives, interests and credibility in the region.”

**Vice Admiral Paul BUSHONG, MSM**

Vice Admiral Paul Bushong is a native of Lucas, Texas, and was commissioned upon graduation from the United States Naval Academy in 1981.

Afloat, he has served in both the Atlantic and Pacific Fleets. His operational assignments include duty as a division officer aboard USS *Memphis* (SSN 691), homeported in Norfolk, Virginia; as engineer officer in USS *Omaha* (SSN 692), homeported in Pearl Harbor; and, as executive officer in USS *Olympia* (SSN 717), also homeported in Pearl Harbor. Bushong commanded USS *Pittsburgh* (SSN 720), homeported in Groton, Connecticut; USS *Frank Cable* (AS 40), homeported in Apra Harbor, Guam; Submarine Group 2 in Groton, Connecticut; and Joint Region Marianas.

Ashore, he has served as a submarine squadron engineer, as a staff officer at the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe in Mons, Belgium, and, as the prospective commanding officer instructor at Naval Reactors in Washington, D.C. He also served two tours on the Navy Staff in the Pentagon, and as the executive officer to Supreme Allied Commander, Europe/Commander, U.S. European Command. He reported to his present assignment as U.S. security coordinator for Israel and the Palestinian Authority in October 2012.



He is responsible to the Secretary of State for assisting the Palestinian Authority to transform and professionalize its security sector, advocating for security initiatives that build trust and confidence, and supporting whole-of-government efforts to set the conditions for a negotiated two-state solution.

Bushong received a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from the United States Naval Academy. He also received a Master of Science in Ocean Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and has the degree of Ocean Engineer, jointly awarded by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**BALDUCCHI, Christophe Antoine Marie**  
Captain – French Navy  
Defence Attaché at the French Embassy in Ottawa

MSM  
French Citizen

CG: Not Gazetted  
GH: 27 April 2016  
DOI: 2013 to 2015



"Captain(N) Balducchi demonstrated outstanding dedication and professionalism while serving as defence attaché at the French Embassy in Ottawa, from 2013 to 2015. He played a significant role in recognizing the service and sacrifice of past and present Canadian soldiers by organizing a wide range of commemorative activities that strengthened the ties of friendship between France and Canada. Captain(N) Balducchi's contribution to recognizing our military personnel has brought great honour to Canada."

**Medals include:**

Officer – Legion of Honour	(France)
Officer – National Order of Merit	(France)
French Cross for Military Valour	(France)
National Defence Medal – Gold	(France)
Meritorious Service Medal	(Canada)

**Captain (N) Balducchi** graduated from the French National School for Advanced Techniques (MSc), the Advanced War School, the Political Science School of Aix in Provence and the NATO Defense College (senior course 115). He holds several medals, including the French Legion of Honor and the French Cross for Military Valour. He is also officer of the National Order of Merit of Malta.

In the beginning of the 1980's, he took part in several operations, such as Operation Gladiateur off of the Libyan coast and Operation Olifant, near Lebanon. He served on board *HMCS Algonquin* as a French exchange officer with the Canadian Navy. In 1993, he joined the tripartite "Horizon" Joint Project Office in London as a Combat systems expert within the international operational requirement staff team. In July 1998, he participated in various operational deployments in the Indian Ocean and in the Mediterranean such as the air campaign in Kosovo from February to June 1999.



In 2001, he took command of the *command and supply ship Var*, (flag ship of the Indian Ocean French Fleet). In 2002, he was assigned to the Plans and Policy division of the Naval Staff in Paris in charge of surface warfare and deep strikes before taking over the International Relations and Strategy office. On September 1st 2005, he joined the crew of the *Air Defense Destroyer Forbin*, (Lead ship of the Horizon Class). He became the Commanding Officer of the *Forbin* from June 2006 to July 2009 and directed all her industrial and military trials as well as her first deployment.

He was then transferred to the Joint Operations Command and Planning Center (CPCO) in Paris in July 2010, first in charge of the strategic assessment and then as chief J3 ("current operations"), he has been involved in all recent French operations such as in Afghanistan, Libya, and Mali.

In 2013, he became the Defence Attaché at the French Embassy in Ottawa, a post he held until 2015. In his free time, he enjoys competitive swimming and water polo. He loves history and plays drums.

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**RUDESHEIM, Frederick S. ("Rudy")**

MSM

CG: 17 June 2017

Lieutenant-General – US Army

American Citizen

GH: None

U.S. Security Coordinator for Israel and the Palestinian Authority, Jerusalem

DOI: January 2015 to 2017

"Lieutenant General Rudesheim was appointed United States security coordinator for Israel and the Palestinian Authority (PA) in January 2015. He spearheaded efforts to augment the capabilities of the PA Security Forces and expand its purview in the West Bank while working closely with the Israeli Defence Forces interlocutors to minimize confrontations. Through his leadership, Lieutenant General Rudesheim has advanced Canadian interests in the region as well as relationships of strategic importance to both Canada and the United States."



**Lieutenant-General Frederick S. ("Rudy") RUDESHEIM, MSM, US Army**

Lieutenant General Frederick "Rudy" Rudesheim was commissioned as a distinguished military graduate from the University of Texas, Austin in 1981 where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. He holds Master's degrees in International Relations from Troy University, in Strategic Studies from the Army War College, and in Advanced Military Studies from the United States Army Command and General Staff College.

He served as the Commander of 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized) deploying to Iraq from April 2003 to March 2004. He also served as Deputy Commanding General of the 1st Cavalry Division and Multi-National Division - Baghdad during Operation Iraqi Freedom from February 2009 to January 2010. He most recently served as the Commander for the United States Army - South at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

His previous joint assignments include a tour with U.S. Joint Forces - Korea; Director of Joint Capability Development at the U.S. Joint Forces Command; and three tours with the Joint Staff; the first as a Division Chief and Deputy Director for the J5, the second as the Deputy Director for the J7, and most recently as the Vice Director of the Joint Staff. He reported to his present assignment as the U.S. Security Coordinator for Israel and the Palestinian Authority in January 2015.



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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**  
**FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**HARMON, Jessica**

Captain – US Army

Reintegration of a Canadian Citizen held Hostage in Afghanistan

MSM

American Citizen

CG: 17 June 2017

GH: 13 September 2017

DOI: December 2015 to January 2016

“Between December 2015 and January 2016, Captain Harmon demonstrated great leadership and initiative as the re-integration specialist of a Canadian citizen held hostage in Afghanistan. She designed and implemented a psychological support package, which laid the groundwork for the recovery of this Canadian and of future hostages. Captain Harmon’s professionalism and dedication greatly contributed to enhancing relations between Canada and the United States.”



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**  
**FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

<b>PEARSON, Jesse</b>	MSM	CG: 17 June 2017
Colonel – US Army	American Citizen	GH:
Deputy Chief of Staff, Expeditionary Operation, Cdn Joint Operations Command		DOI: June 2015 to June 2017

“Colonel Jesse Pearson, United States Army, served as the Deputy Chief of Staff, Expeditionary Operations, Canadian Joint Operations Command at NDHQ in Ottawa from June 2015 to June 2017.”

“Colonel Pearson has served as deputy chief of Staff Expeditionary Operations for the Canadian Joint Operations Command (CJOC) since June 2015. In this capacity, he directed, coordinated and synchronized Canadian Armed Forces expeditionary and support staff operations with the utmost dedication and professionalism. He also devised a new system to manage command priorities more efficiently. Colonel Pearson’s significant contributions to the CJOC have brought great credit upon himself and the United States Army.”

**Colonel Jesse Pearson, MSM, US Army**

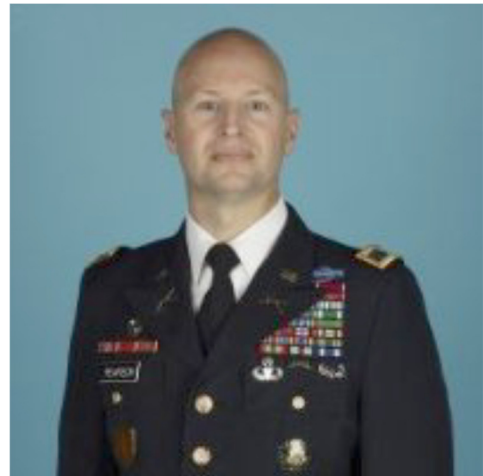
June 2015 to June 2017	DCOS, Expeditionary Operations, Cdn Joint Operations Command	Ottawa, Ontario
July 2014 to June 2015	Student, U.S. Army War College	Carlisle, Pennsylvania
September 2012 to June 2014	Chief of Operations for Army Campaign Plan under G-3/5/7	Pentagon, Washington
September 2010 to Aug 2012	Commander 1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion, 26 <sup>th</sup> Infantry Reg “Blue Spaders”	Fort Knox to Afghanistan
February 2010 to Aug 2010	Brigade S3 (Ops) Staff Observer Joint Readiness Training Center	Fort Polk, Louisiana

**Attended**

Action Officer Force Integration Course  
Bradley Infantry Fighting Vehicle Course  
Joint Special Operations Air Component Course  
Jumpmaster Course  
Mortar Leaders Course  
Ranger School

**Medals**

Legion of Merit  
Meritorious Service Medal  
Bronze Star Medal



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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

<b>SULLIVAN, Brad</b>	MSM	CG: 16 June 2018
BGen - USAF	American Citizen	GH: None
Director Intelligence NORAD at NORTHCOM		DOI: July 2015 to June 2017

"From August 2015 to June 2017, Brigadier General Sullivan was director of Intelligence for NORAD and the United States Northern Command. During this time, he set the conditions for unprecedented intelligence support for Canadian leadership by placing the NORAD mission as his top intelligence priority. Brigadier General Sullivan's outstanding leadership and utmost support for NORAD have ultimately helped strengthen the intelligence relationship between both nations, as exemplified by the binational NORAD agreement."

**Brigadier-General Brad Sullivan, MSC, USAF  
Director of Intelligence at NORAD at NORTHCOM**

Brig. Gen. Brad M. Sullivan is the Deputy Director for Operations, Operations Team One, National Joint Operations and Intelligence Center. General Sullivan plans and directs actions for a joint staff officer and enlisted operations team that conducts worldwide monitoring, crisis action, strategic nuclear and current operational watch functions.

General Sullivan graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1990. He is a command pilot with more than 4,200 flying hours, including combat time in Afghanistan and Iraq, and is a recipient of the General Carlton Award for Valor. He commanded at the squadron, group, expeditionary group and expeditionary wing level. He also served three tours at combatant commands. Prior to his current assignment, General Sullivan was Director of Intelligence and Information for the North American Aerospace Defense Command and U.S. Northern Command.

**EDUCATION**

1990 Bachelor of Science in Management, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.  
1994 Honors Graduate, Masters of Management, Webster University, Mo.  
2003 Distinguished Graduate, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2004 Distinguished Graduate, Masters of Science in Management, AFIT, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio  
2005 Master of Airpower Art & Science, School of Advanced Air & Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2007 Air War College in correspondence, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2010 Joint and Combined Warfighting School, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.  
2011 Senior Course, North Atlantic Treaty Organization Defense College, Rome  
2012 Leadership Enhancement Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, N.C.



**ASSIGNMENTS**

1. August 1990 - June 1991, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Williams AFB, Ariz.
2. September 1991 - September 1994, C-17 Acquisition Program Manager, HQ Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, Ill.
3. September 1994 - February 1998, C-130 Aircraft Commander, 52nd Airlift Squadron, Moody AFB, Ga.
4. February 1998 - June 2001, MC-130H Evaluator Pilot, 15th Special Operations Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
5. July 2001 - August 2003, Wing Executive Officer, 16th Special Operations Wing, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
6. August 2003 - June 2004, Student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
7. June 2004 - July 2005, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
8. July 2005 - June 2007, Operations Officer, 7th Special Operations Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, England
9. June 2007 - November 2008, Commander, 7th Special Operations Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, England
10. November 2008 - December 2010, Division Chief, Joint Air Operations, Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Fla.
11. February 2011 - August 2011, Student, North Atlantic Treaty Organization Defense College, Rome
12. August 2011 - April 2013, Commander, 353rd Special Operations Group, Kadena AB, Okinawa, Japan
13. April 2013 - April 2014, Commander, 1st Expeditionary Special Operations Wing, Bagram AB, Afghanistan
14. May 2014 - November 2014, Special Assistant to the Commander, Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Fla.
15. November 2014 - August 2015, Fixed Wing Assessment Director, US Special Operations Command MacDill AFB, Fla.
16. July 2015 - June 2017, Director, Intelligence and Information, North American Aerospace Defense Command and U.S. Northern Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.

17. July 2017 – present, Deputy Director for Operations, Operations Team One, National Joint Operations and Intelligence Center, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

**Brigadier-General Brad Sullivan, MSC, USAF**  
**Director of Intelligence at NORAD at NORTHCOM**

**SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. November 2007 - February 2008, Deputy Commander, Combined Joint Special Operations Air Component, Balad, Iraq as a lieutenant colonel
2. November 2008 - December 2010, Division Chief, Joint Air Operations (J3), U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Fla., as a colonel
3. March 2013 - March 2014, Commander, Combined Joint Special Operations Air Component, Bagram, Afghanistan as a colonel
4. March 2014 - July 2015, Fixed Wing Assessment Director (J8), U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Fla., as a colonel
5. July 2015 - June 2017, Director of Intelligence and Information (J2), North American Aerospace Defense Command and U.S. Northern Command, Peterson AFB, Colo., as a brigadier general
6. July 2017 – present, Deputy Director for Operations, Operations Team One, National Joint Operations and Intelligence Center, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

**FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight Hours: 4,266 hours

Aircraft flown: MC-130H, C-130E

**MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Defense Superior Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Legion of Merit

Distinguished Flying Cross with Valor Device and oak leaf cluster

Bronze Star

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Combat Action Medal

Canadian Meritorious Service Medal

**OTHER NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS**

2002 General P.K. Carlton Award for Valor

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant May 30, 1990

First Lieutenant May 30, 1992

Captain May 30, 1994

Major July 1, 2001

Lieutenant Colonel May 1, 2005

Colonel Sept. 1, 2009

Brigadier General July 24, 2015

Major-General 02 September 2018 (nominated by the President for Promotion to Major-General on 07 February 2018)





**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**MANSKE, Chad Thomas**

BGen - USAF

Deputy Commander NORAD Region and 1 Canadian Air Division Winnipeg

MSM

American Citizen

CG: 11 November 2018

GH: Nil

DOI: August 2015 to June 2017

"In his capacity as the Deputy Combined / Joint Forces Air Component Commander at 1 Canadian Air Division / Canadian NORAD Region Headquarters between August 2015 and June 2017, Brigadier-General Manske contributed to improving and enhancing Canadian NORAD mandates. With expertise and unwavering dedication, he directly and significantly contributed to the Royal Canadian Air Force's success in multiple international missions on the international stage."

**Brigadier-General Chad Thomas MANSKE, MSM, USAF**



Brigadier General Chad T. Manske is the 30th Commandant of the National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C. The mission of the National War College is to prepare future leaders of the Armed Forces, Department of State, foreign military officers and other civilian agencies for high-level policy command and staff responsibilities by conducting a senior-level course of study with emphasis on the formulation and implementation of national security strategy and policy. As the commandant, General Manske is responsible for formulating academic policies, supervising curriculum planning, preparation and ensuring excellence in classroom teaching.

Prior to assuming his current position, General Manske was the Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region, and Deputy Combined/Joint Force Air Component Commander for 1 Canadian Air Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

General Manske was commissioned in 1989 following his graduation from Michigan State University, and has commanded at the squadron, group and wing levels.

Additionally, he has deployed in support of ongoing operations in Central and Southwest Asia as an air expeditionary group commander, the Deputy Director and Director of the U.S. Central Command's Deployment and Distribution Operations Center and as an air expeditionary wing commander for operations Odyssey Dawn and Unified Protector.

**EDUCATION**

1989 Bachelor of Arts, political science-pre law, Michigan State University, East Lansing

1995 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

1997 Master of Aeronautical Science, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Fla.

2001 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2001 Air War College, by correspondence

2002 Master of Airpower Art and Science, School of Advanced Airpower Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2008 National Defense Fellow, Harvard University, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Cambridge, Mass.

2010 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of Virginia Darden School of Business, Charlottesville

2011 Joint and Combined Warfighting School (JPME II), Norfolk, Va.

2012 Strategic Mindset Seminar, Washington, D.C.

2013 Harvard Kennedy School US-Russia Security Program, George Washington University Elliott School, Washington, D.C.

2014 National and International Security Leadership Seminar, Washington, D.C.

2015 Joint Force Air Component Commander Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2018 Continuous Improvement for Executives Program, Institute for Defense & Business, Cincinnati, Ohio

2018 US/UK Rising Leader Forum, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.



## **Brigadier-General Chad Thomas MANSKE, MSM, USAF**

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. April 1990 - April 1991, student, undergraduate pilot training, Columbus AFB, Miss.
2. May 1991 - December 1991, student, KC-135A and KC-135 R-difference training, Castle AFB, Calif.
3. January 1992 - December 1993, KC-135R Standards/Evaluation Pilot, 91st and 97th Air Refueling Squadron, Malmstrom AFB, Mont.
4. January 1994 - October 1994, KC-10 pilot and executive officer, 32nd Air Refueling Squadron, Barksdale AFB, La.
5. November 1994 - July 1998, KC-10 instructor pilot, wing executive officer, and deputy flight commander, 32nd Air Refueling Squadron/305th Air Mobility Wing, McGuire AFB, N.J.
6. August 1998 - July 2000, C-17A aircraft and flight commander, 17th Airlift Squadron, Charleston AFB, S.C.
7. August 2000 - June 2001, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
8. July 2001 - June 2002, student, School of Advanced Airpower Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
9. July 2002 - June 2004, Special Assistant to Commander, U.S. Joint Forces Command and Supreme Allied Commander Transformation (NATO), Norfolk, Va.
10. June 2004 - July 2005, Commander, 7th Airlift Squadron, McChord AFB, Wash.
11. July 2005 - December 2005, Deputy Commander, 62nd Operations Group, McChord AFB, Wash. (October 2005, Commander, 385th Air Expeditionary Group, Incirlik Air Base, Turkey)
12. December 2005 - June 2007, Vice Commander, 436th Airlift Wing, Dover AFB, Del. (December 2006 - April 2007, Deputy Director, U.S. Central Command Deployment and Distribution Operations Center, Southwest Asia)
13. July 2007 - June 2008, National Defense Fellow, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
14. July 2008 - August 2009, Chief, Strategy and Integration Division, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Arlington, Va.
15. Sep 2009 – June 2011, Commander, 100th Air Refueling Wing, Royal Air Force Mildenhall, England (March 2011, Commander, 406th Air Expeditionary Wing, Moron AB, Spain)
16. July 2011 – June 2012, Air Force Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations, New York
17. July 2012 – January 2015, Deputy Director for Operational Logistics, Logistics Directorate (J4), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
18. January 2015 - June 2015, Director, U.S. CENTCOM Deployment and Distribution Operations Center, Southwest Asia
19. August 2015 – June 2017, Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region, and Deputy Combined/Joint Forces Air Component Commander, 1 Canadian Air Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
20. July 2017 - present, 30th Commandant, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.

### **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. July 2002 - June 2004, Special Assistant to Commander, U.S. Joint Forces Command and Supreme Allied Commander Transformation (NATO), Norfolk, Va., as a lieutenant colonel
2. December 2006 - April 2007, Deputy Director, U.S. CENTCOM Deployment and Distribution Operations Center, Southwest Asia, as a colonel
3. July 2012 – January 2015, Deputy Director for Operational Logistics, Logistics Directorate (J4), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel
4. January 2015 - June 2015, Director, U.S. CENTCOM Deployment and Distribution Operations Center, Southwest Asia, as a colonel and brigadier general
5. August 2015 – June 2017, Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region, and Deputy Combined/Joint Forces Air Component Commander, 1 Canadian Air Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, as a brigadier general
6. July 2017 - present, 30th Commandant, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C., as a brigadier general

### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command pilot

Flight Hours: More than 3,800 (281 combat)

Aircraft Flown: T-6, MC-130H, C-5A/B, C-17A, KC-10A, KC-135A/R, F-15D, T-38 and T-37

## Brigadier-General Chad Thomas MANSKE, MSM, USAF

### MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS (30 Ribbons in all)

Defense Superior Service Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Legion of Merit  
Defense Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters  
Air Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Aerial Achievement Medal with silver oak leaf cluster  
Air Force Commendation Medal  
Canadian **Meritorious Service Medal** (MSM) military

### OTHER AWARDS

Air Mobility Command winner, 2004 Air Force Association Gill Robb Wilson Award  
Air Mobility Command winner, 2004 Robert J. Collier Trophy  
Air Mobility Command winner, 2006 Air Force Association Theodore Von Karman Award  
Air Force Fellows 2008 Walker Series Award for the top Air Force Fellows research paper

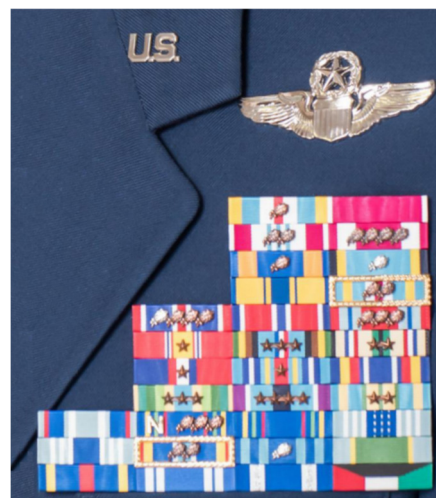
### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

"Looking Ahead at the Future of Airlift: A Capabilities-Based Approach to Designing the Next Generation Strategic Airlifter," Air Force Journal of Logistics, Spring 2002  
"Unmanned Airlift: A Viable Option for Meeting the Strategic Airlift Shortfall," Air University Press, Sep 2004  
"The Machinery of Government Needs a Tune-up: Lessons for the US National Security Council from the British Committee of Imperial Defence," Air University Press, March 2009  
"Transforming the National Security Culture: A Report of the Harvard Kennedy School's Defense Leadership Project," Harvard Kennedy School Center for Public Leadership, April 2009  
"Joint Task Force Odyssey Dawn: A Model for Joint Experience, Training, and Education," Joint Force Quarterly, January 2012

### EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant June 10, 1989  
First Lieutenant Nov. 13, 1991  
Captain Nov. 13, 1993  
Major July 1, 1999  
Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2002  
Colonel March 1, 2006  
Brigadier General Jan. 29, 2015

(Current as of June 2018)



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**  
**FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**PIETROWSKI, Douglas Peter**  
 Colonel – US Army  
 US Army – Dep CO 7<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade

MSM  
 American Citizen

CG: 05 January 2019  
 GH: 11 June 2019  
 DOI:

“As deputy Commanding Officer of the US Army's 7<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade, Colonel Pietrowski's professionalism and dedication have brought great credit to himself, the United States Army and the Canadian Armed Forces.”

“Colonel Pietrowski was deployed to Iraq from September 2016 to September 2017. As the head of the Ministerial Defence Section, he was instrumental in developing the train-and-equip program that prepared the Iraqi Army to win the Battle of Mosul and set the conditions for its future logistics enterprise. Colonel Pietrowski's exceptional leadership and resolute dedication contributed significantly to the success of the Combined Joint Task Force and brought great credit to the United States Army and to Canada.”

Promoted to Major September 2001

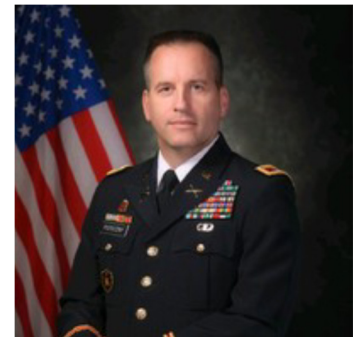
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**POTOCZNY, Donald**  
 Colonel – US Army – Artillery Officer  
 Deputy Chief of Staff, Expeditionary Operation, Cdn Joint Operations Command

MSM  
 American Citizen - Ottawa

CG: 06 July 2019  
 GH: 11 June 2019  
 DOI: June 2017 to June 2019

“As deputy chief of staff, Joint Operational Effects, Canadian Joint Operations Command since June 2017, Colonel Potoczny has successfully led efforts to build a multi-domain, cross-functional team, incorporating all aspects of information operations and targeting. His inspirational leadership has dramatically improved the effective delivery of Canadian military operations worldwide. Colonel Potoczny's professionalism and dedication have brought great credit to himself, the United States Army and the Canadian Armed Forces.”



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**KSOK, Kamil**  
Captain – Polish Army  
Polish Tank Company commander deployed to Latvia

MSM  
Polish Citizen

CG: 26 August 2019  
GH: May to December 2017  
DOI: May to December 2017



“Captain Ksok was deployed to Latvia from May to December 2017 as the Polish Tank Company commander. He demonstrated unparalleled leadership, command presence and tactical acumen in key mechanized brigade exercises, ensuring a superb serviceability rate of the Polish PT91 battle tank and showcasing its capabilities. This, in turn, contributed significantly to the success achieved by the Canadian-led Enhanced Forward Presence Battle Group and bolstered the NATO deterrent. Captain Ksok’s extraordinary dedication to duty brought great credit to the Polish Army and to Canada.”

**SCHOUTEN, Paul**  
Captain – Royal Netherlands Army  
Netherlands Defence Force liaison officer to the Task Force Mali Aviation Battalion

MSM  
Netherlands Citizen  
Netherlands Defence Force liaison officer to the Task Force Mali Aviation Battalion

CG: 04 January 2020  
GH: 26 August 2019  
DOI: July to October 2018



“Captain Schouten served as the Netherlands Defence Force liaison officer to the Task Force Mali Aviation Battalion from July to October 2018. He displayed exemplary initiative and professional acumen in enabling the seamless execution of operations involving Dutch ground forces and Canadian aviation assets, and was instrumental in the timely and efficient delivery of the Aviation Battalion’s operational capability. Captain Schouten’s outstanding efforts decisively contributed to Canada’s high standing with international partners in Mali, bringing great credit to himself.”

**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**SIMPSON, Daniel Laurence**

Brigadier-General - USAF

Director of Intelligence (J2) for NORAD and US Northern Command

MSM

American Citizen

CG: 04 July 2020

GH:

DOI: June 2017 to March 2019

“For outstanding leadership and support to NORAD and US NORTHCOM as Director of Intelligence (J2) from June 2017 to March 2019.”

“From June 2017 to March 2019, Brigadier General Simpson provided outstanding support to the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD). As the NORAD and United States Northern Command Director of Intelligence, he significantly improved the quality of intelligence provided to Canadian senior decision makers, and elevated the NORAD profile within Canadian and American intelligence communities. Brigadier General Simpson’s outstanding leadership helped strengthen the relationship between Canada and the United States, and contributed greatly to Canada’s defence and security.”

Now Major-General Daniel L. Simpson is currently serving as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Operation Resolute Support and Director of Intelligence (CJ2) US Forces-Afghanistan, Kabul, Afghanistan. In this capacity he serves as the senior Intelligence Advisor to the Commander Resolute Support and USFOR-A and directs all intelligence activities for NATO and U.S. forces in Afghanistan.



MGen Simpson enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1986, starting his military career as a combat communications specialist. In 1988, he was selected to attend the U.S. Air Force Academy, graduating in 1992. He is a career intelligence officer and has served as a Weapons Officer at both the tactical and operational levels, as well as instructed at the U.S. Air Force Weapons School. At the strategic level, he was entrusted with the nuclear “football” as the Military Aide to the Vice President of the United States. He has commanded at the squadron, group and joint wing-equivalent levels and has operational Joint Task Force and staff tours at the Major Command and Combatant Command levels. Maj. Gen. Simpson has multiple combat deployments for operations Southern Watch, Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom, Odyssey Dawn, Freedom Sentinel and Resolute Support. Prior to his current assignment, he was the Director of Intelligence (J2) for North American Aerospace Defense Command and U.S. Northern Command.

#### **EDUCATION**

1992 Bachelor of Science, General Engineering, United States Air Force Academy, Colo.

1996 United States Air Force Weapons School, Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.

1997 Squadron Officers School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2001 Master of Aeronautical Science, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Las Vegas

2004 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., non-residence

2005 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2008 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., non-residence

2012 Master of Science, National Security Strategy, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, DC

2014 National and International Security Leadership Seminar, Washington, D.C.

2015 Center for Creative Leadership Program, Greensboro, N.C.

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. January 1986–February 1986, Trainee, 3704th Basic Military Training Squadron, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas

2. February 1986–July 1986, Student, Technical Control Communications training, Keesler AFB, Miss.

3. July 1986–July 1987, Combat Technical Control Specialist, 3rd Combat Communications Group, Tinker AFB, Okla.

4. July 1987–June 1988, Cadet candidate, U.S. Air Force Academy Preparatory School, Colo.

5. July 1988–May 1992, Cadet, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.

6. July 1992–March 1993, Student, Intelligence Applications training, Goodfellow AFB, Texas

7. March 1993–December 1995, Chief, F-15E Squadron Intelligence, 391st Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho

8. January 1996–June 1996, Student, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.



9. June 1996–December 1998, Chief, Intelligence Training and later, Chief, Intelligence Operations, 20th Fighter Wing, Shaw AFB, S.C.
10. December 1998–January 2002, Scheduling Flight Commander and later, Assistant Director of Operations, Intelligence Division, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
11. January 2002–July 2004, Chief, Intelligence Force Development Branch and later, Chief, Intelligence Plans and Programs Branch, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
12. July 2004–June 2005, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
13. June 2005–October 2006, Director of Operations, 26th Air Intelligence Squadron, Hickam AFB, Hawaii
14. October 2006–March 2007, Deputy Chief, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Division, 613th Air and Space Operations Center, Hickam AFB, Hawaii
15. March 2007–December 2007, Executive Officer to Commander, Pacific Air Forces, Hickam AFB, Hawaii
16. December 2007–February 2008, Chief, Threat Analysis Division, Pacific Air Forces, Hickam AFB, Hawaii
17. March 2008–June 2010, Military Aide to the Vice President of the United States, Office of the Vice President, Washington, D.C.
18. June 2010–October 2010, Commander, 480th Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Group (Provisional), Fort Gordon, Ga.
19. June 2010–June 2011, Commander, 31st Intelligence Squadron, Fort Gordon, Ga.
20. July 2011–June 2012, Student, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, D.C.
21. June 2012–June 2014, Commander, 659th Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Group, Fort Meade, Md.
22. June 2014–April 2016, Commander, National Security Agency Texas, San Antonio
23. April 2016–April 2017, Deputy Director of Intelligence, U.S. Forces Afghanistan, and Deputy, Deputy Chief of Staff of Intelligence to NATO Resolute Support Headquarters, Kabul, Afghanistan
24. June 2017–July 2019, Director of Intelligence and Information, North American Aerospace and Defense Command and United States Northern Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.
25. July 2019–present, Director of Intelligence, U.S. Forces Afghanistan, and Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence to NATO Resolute Support Headquarters, Kabul, Afghanistan

#### **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. March 2008–June 2010, Military Aide to the Vice President of the United States, Office of the Vice President, Washington, D.C., as a lieutenant colonel
2. June 2014–April 2016, Commander, National Security Agency Texas, San Antonio, as a colonel
3. April 2016–April 2017, Deputy Director of Intelligence, U.S. Forces Afghanistan, and Deputy, Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, NATO Resolute Support Headquarters, Kabul, Afghanistan, as a brigadier general
4. June 2017–July 2019, Director of Intelligence and Information, North American Aerospace and Defense Command and United States Northern Command, Peterson AFB, Colo., as a brigadier general
5. July 2019–present, Director of Intelligence, U.S. Forces Afghanistan, and Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, NATO Resolute Support Headquarters, Kabul, Afghanistan, as a major general

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Defense Superior Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters  
 Legion of Merit  
 Defense Meritorious Service Medal  
 Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters  
 Joint Service Commendation Medal  
 Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster  
 Joint Service Achievement Medal  
 Air Force Achievement Medal  
 U.S. Army Military Intelligence Corps Knowlton Award  
 U.S. Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION Brigadier-General Daniel Laurence SIMPSON**

Second Lieutenant	27 May 1992	
First Lieutenant	27 May 1994	
Captain	27 May 1996	
Major	01 Dec. 2002	
Lieutenant Colonel	01 Aug. 2007	
Colonel	01 September 2011	
Brigadier General	11 May 2017	
Major General	22 May 2020	(Current as of June 2020)

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**  
**FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**HEISNER, Aslak**

Colonel – Federal Republic of Germany Army  
Commander of Germany's Intelligence Surveillance in Mali

MSM  
German Citizen

CanForGen: November 2020 #144/20  
GH: Nil  
DOI: January to October 2018

“For Exemplary leadership and professional acumen as the Command of Germany's Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Task Force serving with the United Nations in Mali from January to October 2018.”

“From January to October 2018, Colonel Heisner was the commander of Germany's Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Task Force, serving with the United Nations in Mali. He displayed exemplary leadership and professional acumen in orienting his team to facilitate the inflow and establishment of the Canadian Aviation Task Force that joined the mission in July, and personally assured that Canada had full access to his unit's resources. Colonel Heisner's outstanding efforts were instrumental in enabling Canadian operations within Mali.”



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**  
**FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**DODU, Petru Eduard**

Comandor – Romanian Air Force

Deputy Commander of Mihail Kogalniceanu Air Base

MSM

Romanian Citizen

CanForGen: 17 December 2020 #173/20

GH: Nil

DOI: May 2017 to December 2019

“For boundless determination and enthusiasm while supporting Canada's contribution to NATO enhance air policing, Deputy Commander of Mihail Kogalniceanu Air Base from May 2017 to December 2019”.

“From May 2017 to December 2019, Commander Dodu, deputy commander of Mihail Kogălniceanu Air Base, Romania, demonstrated boundless determination and enthusiasm while supporting Canada's contribution to NATO enhanced Air Policing. His unwavering commitment to optimize Romanian support through the resolution of procedural and policy issues was instrumental to the greater success of three Air Task Force rotations, and helped ensure the Canadian Armed Forces' ability to successfully conduct operations in a timely and effective manner, thereby bolstering Canada's reputation on the international stage.





**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)  
FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**FESLER, Peter M.**

Brigadier-General - USAF  
Deputy Director NORAD Command

MSM  
American Citizen  
DOI:

CanForGen:  
GH: 08 November 2021  
2017 to 2020

“As deputy director of Operations for North American Aerospace Defense Command from 2017 to 2020, Brigadier General Fesler demonstrated selfless commitment to the defence and security of Canada and the United States. He contributed immeasurably to innovative thought on continental deterrence and on a prioritized investment and modernization strategy for defending Canadian and American sovereignty. Brigadier General Fesler undeniably enhanced the evolution of continental defence within the long-standing and iconic defence relationship between Canada and the United States.”

**(now) Major General PETER M. FESLER, MSM**



MGen Pete M. Fesler is the Deputy Director of Operations, Headquarters North American Aerospace Defense Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado. As the Deputy Director, he is responsible for supporting the execution of aerospace warning, aerospace control and maritime warning for North America, to include the Canadian, Alaskan and continental U.S. NORAD Regions within the bi-national command. Maj. Gen. Fesler is also the lead for USNORTHCOM and NORAD Homeland Defense/Continental Defense Cross Functional Team. In this role, he leads the development of a comprehensive design for bi-national, all-domain defense of North America.

MGen Fesler graduated in 1994 from the University of Utah with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Political Science, and earned his commission through ROTC the same year. He is a graduate of the School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, and is a Distinguished Graduate of both the Naval Postgraduate School and National War College.

MGen Fesler has served in a variety of flying and non-flying operational, educational and staff assignments, including multiple tours in both the F-15C and F-22A. He has commanded at both squadron and wing levels. Prior to his current assignment, Maj. Gen. Fesler was stationed

at Langley AFB, Virginia, where he commanded the most historic wing in the U.S. Air Force, the 1st Fighter Wing.

MGen Fesler is a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Weapons School, and a command pilot with more than 2,200 hours, primarily in the F-15C and F-22A. He has participated in multiple deployments, numerous joint and coalition exercises, and has flown more than 50 combat missions in the skies over Iraq.

**EDUCATION**

1994	Bachelor of Science, Political Science, University of Utah, Salt Lake City
1999	Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
2003	Air Force Weapons Instructor Course, Nellis AFB, Nev.
2006	Master of Arts, Security Studies, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
2006	U.S. Naval War College in Seminar, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
2007	Master of Arts, Airpower Art and Science, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
2009	Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
2013	Master of Science, Security Studies, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair Washington, D.C.



## ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1994–November 1996, Student, Euro NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training and Introduction to Fighter Fundamentals, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas
2. December 1996–June 1997, Student Pilot, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
3. June 1997–February 2000, F-15C Flight Lead and Chief, Systems Integration Section, 390th Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
4. March 2000–March 2001, Flight Commander and Fighter Duty Officer, 604th Air Support Operations Squadron, Camp Red Cloud, South Korea
5. March 2001–June 2003, F-15C Instructor Pilot and Flight Commander, 19th Fighter Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
6. December 2003–June 2005, F-15C Instructor Pilot and Weapons Officer, 19th Fighter Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
7. July 2005–June 2006, Student, U.S. Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
8. July 2006–June 2007, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
9. July 2007–August 2008, Aide-de-Camp to the 18th Chief of Staff, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
10. January 2009–February 2010, Director of Operations, 94th Fighter Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
11. March 2010–November 2011, Commander, 27th Fighter Squadron, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
12. December 2011–June 2012, Deputy Commander, 1st Operations Group, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
13. July 2012–June 2013, Student, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
14. June 2013–May 2014, Chief of Staff of the Air Force Fellow and Chief of Staff, Pakistan Afghanistan Coordination Cell, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
15. May 2014–June 2015, Chief of Staff of the Air Force Fellow and Assistant Deputy Director, J5 Western Hemisphere Politico Military Affairs, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
16. July 2015–June 2017, Commander, 1st Fighter Wing, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
17. July 2017–July 2018, Vice Director of Operations, North American Aerospace Defense Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.
18. July 2018–August 2021, Deputy Director of Operations, NORAD, Peterson AFB, Colo.

## SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 2013–May 2014, Chief of Staff, Pakistan Afghanistan Coordination Cell and Chief of Staff of the Air Force Fellow, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a lieutenant colonel and colonel
2. May 2014–June 2015, Assistant Deputy Director, J5 Western Hemisphere Politico Military Affairs and Chief of Staff of the Air Force Fellow, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel
3. July 2017–July 2018, Vice Director of Operations, North American Aerospace Defense Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colo., as a colonel
4. July 2018–August 2021, Deputy Director of Operations, NORAD, Peterson AFB, Colo., as a colonel, brigadier general and major general

## FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: command pilot

Flight Hours: more than 2,200

Aircraft Flown: T-37, T-38A/B, T-41, F-15A/B/C/D, F-22A

## MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal

Army Achievement Medal

Canadian Meritorious Service Medal (not shown)



**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant June 9, 1994

First Lieutenant June 9, 1996

Captain June 16, 1998

Major Feb. 1, 2005

Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2009

Colonel Oct. 1, 2013

Brigadier General Oct. 12, 2018

Major General Aug. 2, 2021

(Current as of August 2021)

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**  
**FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

<b>HUNT, Bryan</b>	MSM	CanForGen:
Colonel – US Army	American Citizen	GH: 08 November 2021
Deputy Commander – Canadian Army Training Authority		DOI: July 2019 to July 2021

“From July 2019 to July 2021, Colonel Hunt demonstrated exceptional leadership and dedication as the deputy commander of the Canadian Army Training Authority. His expertise on collective and individual training files, before and during the pandemic, had a direct impact on the operational readiness of the Canadian Army. His work to collect COVID-19 lessons learned from our allies and adapt them to Canadian Armed Forces training concepts for restarting readiness activities brought great credit to the Forces and to the U.S. Army.”

**Colonel Bryan HUNT, MSM, US Army**

June 1996 to Present      Served as an Infantry Officer in the U.S. Army (25 ½ years)

**Education:**

1994 to 1996	California Polytechnic State University-San Luis Obispo – BA in History - ROTC
2016	Webster University – Master’s Degree in Management and Leadership
2017 to 2018	The United States Army War College – MS in Strategic Studies.



Degree Name BA  
Field Of Study History  
Dates attended or expected graduation 1994 – 1996  
Activities and Societies: ROTC

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**  
**FOREIGN SERVICE MEMBERS**

**IRELAND, Christopher J.**

MSM

CanForGen:

Brigadier-General - USAF

American Citizen

GH: 08 November 2021

Deputy Combined/Joint Force Air Component Commander 1 CAD NORAD Region

DOI: August 2017 to August 2019

"From August 2017 to August 2019, Brigadier General Ireland served as Deputy Combined/Joint Force Air Component commander at 1 Canadian Air Division/Canadian NORAD Region Headquarters, in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He led the daily apportionment and execution of air support for all Canadian Armed Forces domestic and international operations. His many contributions and dedication to the Royal Canadian Air Force mission, while serving in this critical role, brought great credit to both Canada and the United States, strengthening the binational relationship and promoting Canadian interests globally."

**Brigadier General Christopher J. IRELAND, MSM**

Brig. Gen. Christopher J. Ireland is the Chief of Staff, Headquarters United States Air Forces in Europe and Air Forces Africa, Ramstein Air Base, Germany. He develops and implements, policies, plans and programs on behalf of the Commander for the strategic planning and operational execution of forces in support of U.S. European Command and U.S. Africa Command. He concurrently directs and supervises the organization and administration of the Headquarters USAFE-AFAFRICA staff, consisting of more than 2,000 personnel, including 13 general officers and 48 colonels and guides the overall management and sustainment of forces across two areas of responsibility spanning 104 countries



Brig. Gen. Ireland graduated from Virginia Tech, earning his commission through the ROTC program. Over the course of his career, he participated in multiple combat and contingency operations in Afghanistan, Haiti, Iraq, Kosovo and Colombia.

Prior to his current position, he was the Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region, and Deputy Combined and Joint Force Air Component Commander for 1 Canadian Air Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

**EDUCATION**

- 1991 Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg
- 1997 Squadron Officer's School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2000 Masters of Science, Aviation Management, Embry-Riddle University, Daytona Beach, Fla.
- 2005 Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
- 2006 School of Advanced Military Studies, Masters of Military Arts and Sciences, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
- 2012 Naval War College, Masters of National Security and Strategic Studies, Naval War College, R.I.

**ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1. February 1992–December 1992, Student, Undergraduate Navigator Training, Mather Air Force Base, Calif.
- 2. January 1993–April 1996, MC-130E Instructor Electronic Warfare Officer, 8th Special Operations Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
- 3. April 1996–November 1997, MC-130E Evaluator EWO, 19th Special Operations Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
- 4. December 1997–February 1999, Student, Pilot Training, Columbus AFB, Miss., and Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, Texas
- 5. February 1999–September 2002, C-130H Pilot and ADO, 50th Airlift Squadron, Little Rock AFB, Ark.
- 6. October 2002–June 2004, MC-130H Aircraft CC and Flight CC, 7th Special Operations Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, United Kingdom
- 7. June 2004–June 2005, Student, Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
- 8. June 2005–June 2006, Student, School of Advanced Military Studies, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

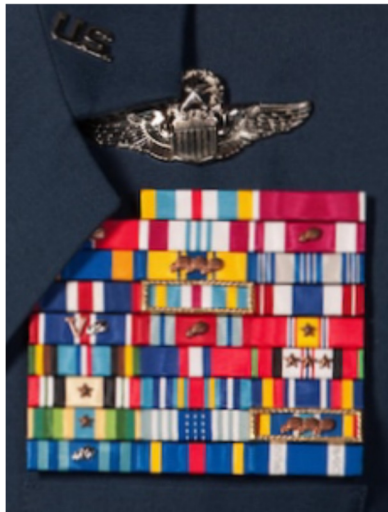
9. July 2006–May 2009, Operations Officer and Commander, 15th Special Operations Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
10. May 2009–June 2011, Operations Officer, Pakistan-Afghanistan Coordination Cell, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
11. July 2011–July 2012, Student, Naval War College, Naval Station Newport, R.I.
12. July 2012–April 2014, Commander, 352nd Special Operations Group, RAF Mildenhall, U.K.
13. April 2014–May 2015, Commander, 1st Expeditionary Special Operations Wing and Combined Joint Special Operations Air Comp, Afghanistan
14. July 2015–September 2016, Special Assistant to the Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Fla.
15. September 2016–August 2017, Deputy Director, U.S. Special Operations Command, Strategy, Plans and Policy, MacDill AFB, Fla.
16. August 2017–August 2019, Deputy Commander, Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Region, and Deputy Combined and Joint Forces Air Component Commander, 1 Canadian Air Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
17. August 2019–present, Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Forces in Europe and Air Forces Africa, Ramstein Air Base, Germany

## FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: more than 3,100

Aircraft flown: C-130E/H, MC-130E/H



## MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS (27 ribbons in all)

Defense Superior Service Medal  
 Legion of Merit  
 Bronze Star Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
 Defense Meritorious Service Medal  
 Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster  
 Air Medal  
 Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters  
 Air Force Achievement Medal

## EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant Sept. 25, 1991  
 First Lieutenant Sept. 25, 1993  
 Captain Sept. 25, 1995  
 Major July 1, 2002  
 Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2006  
 Colonel Oct. 1, 2010  
 Brigadier General July 3, 2017

(Current as of September 2019)

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