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Army aims to assist Soldiers during turbulent moving season

WASHINGTON – To help during a permanent change of station season with some delays in household goods shipments, the Army widened the window for Soldiers to report to their next duty stations. Soldiers scheduled to report between July 6 and Sept. 30 can report up to 30 days before their scheduled date and up to 20 days after. “We know this year is more challenging than usual, and we are working to give our Soldiers and families options, resources and flexibility to reduce as much stress as possible,” said Gen. Ed Daly, Army Materiel Command.



AMC leaders synchronize, operationalize safety planning

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – From depots, plants and arsenals to office spaces, safety and risk management is integrated into every mission the Army Materiel Command enterprise supports. AMC leaders held a Command Safety and Occupational Health Advisory Council meeting July 15, synchronizing on safety plans and risk mitigation efforts. Gen. Ed Daly, AMC commanding general, praised major subordinate command leaders for their progress. “You are comprehensively moving the ball forward on safety,” Daly said.



SDDC prepares for future ops through MOTs, bots, people

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill. – Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command leaders are looking to the future with plans to modernize infrastructure, technology, skillsets and diversity to support next-generation capabilities. Maj. Gen. Heidi Hoyle, SDDC commander, and senior staff members gathered this week with Gen. Ed Daly, Army Materiel Command commander, to discuss topics that will impact strategic readiness. Over the next four years, the command will invest in mission-critical infrastructure at the military ocean terminals.



JMC supports DEFENDER-Europe 21 from behind the scenes

ROCK ISLAND, Ill. – Joint Munitions Command is proud to have supported DEFENDER-Europe 21 through its mission of providing all conventional munitions for the Department of Defense. The command and its 17 subordinate depots, arsenals and ammo plants manage \$59 billion of munitions and sustain forces by getting ammunition to troops wherever and whenever needed.

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AMC launches employee development tool aimed at readiness

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – A new civilian employee assessment tool that takes a closer look at the skills needed to build readiness among Army Materiel Command’s 90,000 civilian employees is now being implemented by its 10 major subordinate commands. The Ready Army Civilian program – which is designed to ensure a workforce of high caliber employees educated and trained to address complex situations and who possess the right job skills and experiences – has been used by AMC headquarters’ 600 civilian employees for the past year.



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Army addressing PCS-related issues as a top priority

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-FORT SAM HOUSTON, Texas – The Army is addressing service members' permanent change of station issues this summer with a newly created crisis action team, or CAT, that meets daily. Military families are facing challenges created by national shortages of moving trucks and drivers. From April 1 to Sept. 30, more than 54,000 people will move from one duty station to another. In response, leaders with Army Materiel Command and Installation Management Command have created a PCS Moves CAT.



Transportation experts provide advice, resources

KAISERSLAUTERN, Germany – Permanent change of duty station moves can be stressful. In Europe, the transportation offices are assigned to the 405th Army Field Support Brigade's Logistics Readiness Centers and aligned with each Army garrison across Germany, Italy and the Benelux. They are ready to assist with managing household goods shipments, unaccompanied baggage and other transportation needs. "As soon as you have your orders, come to transportation as quickly as possible," said Jeffrey Morrison, a transportation specialist.



USAG Daegu supports Soldiers with smooth moves

CAMP WALKER, Republic of Korea – To alleviate uncertainty during permanent change of station moves, the Army has tools to make them convenient, predictable and user friendly. Improvements include Army PCS Move App updates, increased reimbursements for personally procured moves, more quality-assurance inspectors and a longer window to submit claims.

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School liaison officer ready to assist Fort Sill families

FORT SILL, Okla. – As inbound military families negotiate the process of moving here, Fort Sill school liaison officer Augelica Fleming stands ready to inform them about education options. "If I can touch every new family that is arriving here, I can definitely help them get their children's educational journey off to a great start," she said. Because the coming school year may differ from those before, due in part to the pandemic, Fleming is available to answer questions or provide guidance.

Career center offers job training for military members, spouses

FORT LEE, Va. – The Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act, or WIOA, provides military members and spouses free job training. "We provide 100% funding," said Christina Taylor, career center manager for the Crater Region, Virginia Career Works office.

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AMC enterprise Soldiers vie for AMC Soldier, NCO of the Year

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Twelve Soldiers from across the globe will compete in this year’s Army Materiel Command Best Warrior Competition at Camp Atterbury, Indiana, July 25-28. Soldiers will test their physical and mental strength through a variety of challenges in hopes of representing AMC in the Army-level competition later this year. Army Materiel Command's Command Sgt. Maj. Alberto Delgado said these Soldiers are up for the challenge.

Quick-thinking medical logistics team saves sensitive supplies

CAMP CARROLL, South Korea – After a freezer storing medical materiel at Army prepositioned stocks site 4 was malfunctioning, teams moved the products quickly into temporary storage at U.S. Army Medical Materiel Center-Korea. “The quick response of the USAMMC-K team and teamwork utilized by the APS-4 staff ensured medical items worth in excess of \$7,000 were relocated with no discrepancies,” said Matthew Shaw, APS-4 forward site manager.

Jennings assumes command of USAFMCOM

INDIANAPOLIS – Soldiers and civilian employees of the U.S. Army Financial Management Command witnessed the command’s flag transfer to Col. Paige M. Jennings during an assumption of command ceremony July 15. “This is an incredible day in terms of another opportunity to recognize the history and lineage of this organization,” said Gen. Ed Daly, Army Materiel Command commanding general, who presided over the ceremony.

New vehicle maintenance shop at Grafenwoehr Training Area

GRAFENWOEHR, Germany – The Army continues investing into the modernization of its training camps at Grafenwoehr Training Area. On July 15, leaders broke ground for a new \$51 million vehicle maintenance shop for the rotating forces on the 6.1 hectares construction site. The 35,192 square feet maintenance facility will feature six maintenance bays with adjoining repair shops and storage rooms for spare parts.

Klaipėda Port Facility supports Atlantic Resolve forces

KLAIPĖDA, Lithuania – The port facility here serves as a vital transportation and movement location in support of Atlantic Resolve rotational forces. The 598th Transportation Brigade, Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command and the 21st Theater Sustainment Command offloaded more than 300 equipment items at the port July 13 as elements of the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division began arriving from Fort Riley, Kansas.

688th Rapid Port Opening Element conducts exercise

JOINT BASE LANGLEY-EUSTIS, Va. – The 688th Rapid Port Opening Element conducted a no-notice deployment readiness exercise here June 13-14. In the exercise scenario, the Soldiers worked with members of the Air Force and observers from the Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command and were challenged with the task of deploying to South America in under 36 hours in a hurricane relief scenario.

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