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New V Corps Soldier/Family Member,

Command Sergeant Major Webb and I would like to officially welcome you and your family to Fort Knox, Kentucky, and V Corps – America's only Forward Deployed Corps.

V Corps has a distinguished history of serving the nation in peace and in combat over the past century, much of it through actions in Europe. V Corps was established and organized on 07 July 1918 in France, where its performance during the crucible of World War I earned it the name "Victory Corps". The Corps broke the grinding stalemate of trench warfare in 1918 and decades later during World War II when V Corps assailed German forces at Omaha Beach in 1944, subsequently breaking their counterattack at the Battle of the Bulge. It successfully deterred ambitions of the Soviet Union throughout the Cold War, ending with the collapse of that country. The Corps' operations in the Balkans in the 1990s set conditions for enduring peace that continues today. Most recently, V Corps responded to the Nation's call following 9/11 to root out extremist threats and stabilize conditions in the desert cities of Iraq and populated valleys of Afghanistan's mountains. Today, the Victory Corps returns to answer the challenges posed by a return to Great Power competition principally focused in the European theater.

As America's only Forward Deployed Corps, we exist to shape favorable conditions, deter malign actors, and should conflict occur, fight and win. While this is our top priority, our Soldiers, Airmen, Civilians, and Families are our key to success. Victory Soldiers will maintain a high state of physical, mental, spiritual, personal, and professional readiness. During your tour with V Corps, you can expect to be afforded the opportunity to deploy to Poland to serve in the Corps' Forward Command Post (FCP) and participate in several multinational exercises throughout Europe.

Today, Fort Knox remains one of our Army's premier installations and a military community of choice. It provides excellent family support programs and Soldier training facilities that create an ideal place in which to live, train, and deploy. Off-duty recreational opportunities are vast with hiking, boating, and cultural sites throughout the region. You can obtain further information on Fort Knox and the local community at https://home.army.mil/knox/.

We want you to experience a smooth transition. Please reach out to your sponsor as soon as you can and discuss your arrival plans. They can be a tremendous resource. If you and your sponsor have not yet connected, please email us at usarmy.knox.v-corps.mbx.g1@mail.mil and we will complete the linkup. As you execute your travel, please stay safe, exercise sound judgement, and follow all Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines on COVID-19 to include wearing a face covering, keeping appropriate physical distances, and practicing proper hand hygiene. If something unforeseen happens during your move, please let us know so we can assist.

Again, welcome to Fort Knox and the Victory Corps. We look forward to you joining us. Our foundation of readiness and success begins with you and your family.

It Will Be Done!!

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