



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
HEADQUARTERS, 63D EXPEDITIONARY SIGNAL BATTALION  
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FORT STEWART, GA 31314

To our newest member,

Beth and I along with Mavis and CSM Smith would like to extend a warm welcome to you and your family and we are excited to add you to the 63d Expeditionary Signal Battalion (ESB) Team. There is no doubt that you will grow and learn as we continue to write the lineage of this outstanding organization.

The 63d ESB was constituted in July 1940. Our mission is to rapidly deploy Signal forces to engineer, install, operate, maintain, and defend communication networks across the US Northern Command's operating environment in support of homeland security response. The 63d ESB performs in cooperation with US Army North and other service components and is directly committed to achieving the following priorities:


- Family Readiness is Soldier Readiness
- Provide Ready and Available Communications
- Maintain the Force

We are within the footprint of the 3rd Infantry Division, "Rock of the Marne", at Fort Stewart, GA. The base is geographically set in a premier location that offers you a multitude of activities for single Soldiers and Families alike. Within a radius of three hours you can tour the surrounding areas of Savannah, GA, Jacksonville, FL, Charleston, SC, and beautiful Hilton Head, SC.

Our motto, AB INITIO, means "From the Beginning!" marking the battalion's participation at the start of US operations during World War II. Your Sponsor will be appointed and available to assist with your arrival. If you have additional questions, feel free to contact us at (912) 435-2183/2155 (FT Stewart Battalion Staff Duty NCO).

Again, welcome to the Battalion and we look forward to you and your family joining Team 63!

Warm Regards,

  
JOHN L. SANDERS  
63d ESB Commander

  
DENNIS SMITH III  
63d ESB Command Sergeant Major

**A message about the *new normal*.** Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, many preventive measures have been implemented to protect our force around the world. During your transition we ask that you and your family remain diligent in protecting our force by practicing proper hygiene, social distancing, and wearing protective equipment in accordance with Army and CDC guidance. You should expect upon your arrival that you will receive a Restriction on Movement (ROM) order to your quarters for 14 days from the Marne Reception Center (MRC) Commander. This means that 14 days from when you arrive, you must follow the guidelines set out in the ROM order, which will include an order to remain in your residence until cleared by the MRC commander. Please plan accordingly and remain safe!