

## Corpus Christi Army Depot Change of Command Set for June 2

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CORPUS CHRISTI, TX (May 25, 2010) – Leadership of the Corpus Christi Army Depot will change hands during a Change of Command ceremony Wednesday, June 2, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the Texas A & M University - Corpus Christi Performing Arts Center, 6300 Ocean Drive, Corpus Christi.

Maj. Gen. James R. Myles, Commanding General, Army Aviation and Missile Command, headquartered in Redstone, Ala., will preside over the ceremony. AMCOM is the parent command of CCAD.

Col. Christopher B. Carlile will be the 23<sup>rd</sup> commander in the depot's 49-year history. He'll receive command of the unique Army rotary wing maintenance repair operation from outgoing commander Col. Joe D. Dunaway.

Col. Dunaway is moving on to be Director, Distribution and Deployment Operations Center, US Forces-Iraq following his tour here.

Commissioned in 1989 as a Second Lieutenant from Arkansas State University with a BS in Zoology, Col. Carlile also holds an MBA from Embry-Riddle and a MS in Strategic Studies from the Air War College. He is a certified maintenance examiner rated in the UH-1, OH-58, UH-60 and CH-47 with over 600 hours of maintenance test flight time.

His military education includes the U.S. Air War College, Command and Staff Course, Nuclear Planning and Execution Course, U.S. Army Space Operations School, Logistics Executive Development Course, Combined Arms Services Staff School and the Infantry Officer Advanced Course. He is a qualified Space Operations Officer and served as a Nuclear Strike Advisor for President George W. Bush. He is a Distinguished Honor Graduate of the Aeroscout Aviation Course.

Col. Carlile's first assignment was to VII Corps in Germany in 1990. While there he deployed serving as the Supply Support Activity and Maintenance Platoon Leader during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm and the Aviation Intermediate Maintenance (AVIM) Production Control Officer during Operation Provide Comfort in Turkey and Northern Iraq.

While assigned to the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division he deployed to Somalia where he served as Production Control Officer and Aeroscout Pilot during Operation Restore Hope. Carlile served as the Attack Helicopter Training Battalion Executive Officer (XO) and Operations Officer (S3) supporting six reserve attack helicopter battalions. He later served as the 4<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Regimental Operations Officer (S3) at Fort Knox, Kentucky. COL Carlile commanded A/8-101 (AVIM) at Fort Campbell, Kentucky deploying to Kosovo KFOR-3A and Afghanistan. He served as the 8-101<sup>st</sup> Aviation Regiment (AVIM) Executive Officer (XO) in Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

His most recent assignments include, the Director of the Unmanned Aerial Systems Center of Excellence, Battalion Command of the 1-223d Aviation Regiment, Fort Rucker, Alabama and later as the Deputy Chief of Staff for the Aviation Center and Fort Rucker.

His military awards include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star with two oak leaf clusters, Air Medal (Numeral 3), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters, Army Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Army Achievement Medal with five oak leaf clusters, Armed Forces Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Liberation of Kuwait Medal, Southwest Asia Campaign with three Bronze Stars, Iraq Campaign Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Service Medals, Overseas Service Ribbon (Numeral 3), Joint Meritorious Unit Award with two oak leaf clusters, Meritorious Unit Award with two oak leaf clusters, and Superior Unit Award, Combat Action Badge, Master Aviator Badge, and Air Assault Badge. He is a designated Demonstrated Master Logistician and a recipient of the General Douglas MacArthur Leadership Award. He received the Bronze Order of Saint Michael in 1997.