SUBJECT: Administrative Letter for the 2009 Combined Arms Center Army Operational Knowledge Management Conference (AOKMC).

The 2009 AOKMC is in Kansas City, Missouri at the Kansas City Airport Marriott, from 19 – 23 October 2009. Please ensure that your travel orders reflect Kansas City, Missouri- as the government rate is higher. A no-host "kick-off" event will start the conference at 1800hrs on Monday, 19 October. The formal portion of the conference begins at 0800 on 20 October with opening remarks by COL Burnett, BCKS Director. He will introduce Mr. Dale Ormond, Deputy to the Commanding General, US Army Combined Arms Center who will welcome everyone and speak briefly on "The Vision, Transforming the Army Knowledge Value Stream." He will introduce the first guest speaker, GEN Dempsey via video.

HOTEL: Kansas City Airport Marriott

The Group Code to make on-line reservations for a room during the October AOKM Conference is <u>'batbata'</u>, at the following link: <u>www.Kansascityairportmarriott.com</u>

The cost is the government rate of \$107 per night plus 16.975% tax and \$1.75 for the arena fee. It will include breakfast and in room internet connection.

If arriving by plane, use Kansas City International Airport (MCI). Once you arrive, you may contact the hotel by phone at (816) 464-2200, or from the hotel phone banks (located at the luggage claim area); state your gate location and a hotel shuttle will be dispatched to pick you up.

A desk will be available throughout the week to provide you with your conference packet, nametag, maps, conference schedules and attendee roster. For attendees who did not preregister, we will be able to accommodate you at this desk.

There will be a shuttle bus available at the hotel on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings to shuttle people to and from the Zona Rosa Mall; details available at check in.

Documents concerning the AOKMC will be posted to:

BCKS 2009 Conference page: http://usacac.army.mil/CAC2/BCKS/AOKM2009/

Public Combined Arms Center website: <u>http://usacac.army.mil/cac2/</u>

Social Events:

The Key Note Speaker for this year will be LTG Ken Keen, who will be discussing Teams of Leaders and Transformation in a Geographic Combatant Command.

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