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Army inspector general meets with Soldiers, civilians, Family members in Ansbach community

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ANSBACH, Germany -- The U.S. Army Inspector General and his senior enlisted advisor met with Soldiers, civilian employees and Family members at Katterbach Army Airfield here Feb. 5.

Lt. Gen. R. Steven Whitcomb and Sgt. Maj. Henry W. Jackson II toured installation and unit facilities and discussed the role of the inspector general and the IG assistance mission with members of the Katterbach community. The pair, joined by U.S. Army



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U.S. Army Inspector General Lt. Gen. R. Steven Whitcomb (left) listens to comments from (left to right) Spc. Michael D. Allar, Pfc. Randall D. Forrester, Pfc. Christopher S. Manivanh, Pfc. Aaron Fladby, Spc. Jason D. Wilkins and Sgt. 1st Class Gregory C. Taetsof of the 12th Combat Aviation Brigade's B Company, 3rd Battalion, 158th Aviation, during the general's visit to Katterbach Army Airfield in Ansbach, Germany, Feb. 5.

Europe IG Col. William Miller and USAREUR IG Sgt. Maj. Phillip Dixon, met with Soldiers from the 12th Combat Aviation Brigade, as well as unit commanders, senior officers, Family Readiness Group members, spouses and Army Community Service personnel.

Whitcomb explained that the IG's role is to conduct inspections, assistance visits and investigations related to Army discipline, efficiency, economy, morale, training and readiness and report its findings to the Secretary of the Army and the Army chief of staff.

“What I do is extend some of the eyes and the ears of the leadership of the Army,” said Whitcomb, who became the Army's 63rd IG one year ago this week.

“This is my first trip as an IG to Europe, and really what I am looking for is what is going right and what is not going right, and to give assistance where it is needed on any issue and fix it,” he added.

Whitcomb thanked 12th CAB Soldiers for fulfilling the "Griffin" brigade's mission and pledged his commitment to respond to their needs.

“You are my fellow Soldiers,” said Whitcomb. “We will do our job back in Washington and work hard to try and provide you with what you need.”



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