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Leon Moores Receives Mashburn Award from Industrial College of the Armed Forces

(Washington DC) <u>Colonel Leon E. Moores</u>, MC, USA was selected as the 2010 recipient of the Major General Harold Mashburn, Jr. Award for Excellence in Leadership by the <u>Industrial College of the Armed Forces</u> (ICAF).

The Mashburn Award is the highest leadership award presented at the College. It recognizes the student who has demonstrated exceptional leadership qualities, both personally and professionally, and who most fully represents the leadership, academic, and interpersonal traits of <u>General Mashburn</u> who was the 35th Commandant of ICAF.

Moores demonstrated outstanding leadership, academic and research achievement, outreach in the medical profession, and contribution and involvement in the total ICAF experience during his year at ICAF.

ICAF prepares selected military and civilians for strategic leadership and success in developing our national security strategy and in evaluating, marshalling, and managing resources in the execution of that strategy, framed in a joint and interagency perspective. The ICAF Class of 2010 was comprised of 319 students from Department of Defense and Federal executive branch agencies, private industry, and foreign militaries. Graduates of the ten-month resident study program are awarded a Master of Science degree in National Resource Strategy

Moores received grades of A or A- in all 12 of his core and elective courses with a cumulative grade point average of 3.85. He was also ranked in two courses among the top two students. He wrote the best paper in both his economics and weapons industry study courses. One of his instructors cited his course paper as the best he had seen, another stated that it was the most creative he had ever seen. A gifted writer, Moores submitted three research papers for the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and

Secretary of Defense essay competitions and was a semifinalist in the Chairman's 5000word strategy article competition.

In addition, Moores was chosen by his faculty to lead all four of the fall semester course exercises. In additional to leading his study group, he was chosen to present the National Security Strategy Exercise briefing to distinguished guests.

While meeting superior standards academically, Moores enhanced his medical profession by writing papers and expanding personal involvement. He was selected as a member of the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma (national committee with international responsibilities for education and research on trauma and trauma management). He performed ongoing duties as consultant to the Army Surgeon General for neurosurgery, more than a dozen major surgical procedures, and saw over 50 clinical patients as an attending neurosurgeon at Walter Reed Army medical center. He participated in the joint working group for operating room optimization for the new Walter Reed National Military Medical Center at the direction of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Moores was also a member of the ICAF cross country team, team captain of the ICAF soccer team, and was a very visible and contributing member to both teams' success at the annual Jim Thorpe sports competition among senior service schools.

Moores performed superbly in a variety of capacities as a leader, academician, researcher, medical professional, athlete, and colleague. He is a superior leader and fifth recipient of the Major General Harold Mashburn, Jr. Award for Excellence in Leadership. Colonel Moores graduated from the US Military Academy in 1984 and is a 1980 graduate of Platt High School in Meriden, CT.

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