

U.S. ARMY EUROPE COMMANDING GENERAL'S INTRODUCTORY MESSAGE TO USAREUR

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USAREUR Team,

It's wonderful to be back in Europe! Ann and I sincerely appreciate the opportunity to return and once again join the tremendous team here at US Army Europe. I'm honored to be afforded the opportunity to serve you - the Soldiers, civilians, family members and host-nation supporters that shape this dedicated community and I feel it necessary to thank you for all you have done.

US Army Europe has a rich history. For over 70 years American Soldiers have contributed to our collective security on the European continent and around the world. USAREUR has maintained our allies, strengthened our partners, and continued forward engagement. Your service and those of our European partners remain critical to today's security challenges.

Despite this steadfast mission, over the last few days I have found myself in awe of the transformation USAREUR has undergone in the last several years since I previously served here. Ten years ago, the then Commanding General, General BB Bell said "We will transform all of the rest of USAREUR - from units, garrisons, processes, training, exercises - and we will know when we have accomplished everything we need to do when we start the very last mission. and that is to move the headquarters to Wiesbaden."

Today, as I assume command, I do so with my boots on the ground at Clay Kaserne in Wiesbaden. Welcome to your new home US Army Europe! I am honored to mark the end of era and the beginning of a new.

As USAREUR embarks on a new journey, one aspect remains true - we will continue to build strong Soldiers, and strong teams! From our Soldiers, who remain deployed in harm's way, to our Families at home that bind us together, we are a team. From our partner nations, who contribute forces to the international operations around the world, to our host-nation communities that demonstrate an unyielding support, we are a team. This strength in team, in dedication, and in loyalty to one another inspires me to ensure that USAREUR has the very best leaders, training, and wellness programs within our Army.

We will continue to improve the family and support networks that are the cornerstone of our Soldiers' comprehensive fitness - mind, body, and spirit. We will continue to focus on leader development - refining our leaders to be the best mentors and growing our Soldiers to seek mentorship. We will continue to instill discipline and enforce standards so that we remain excellent in our profession.

Ann and I thank everyone for their incredible support as we make this transition. We are excited to be a part of this team and honored to once again call Europe our home.

Strong Soldiers, Strong Teams!

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