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FROM THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

The last year has truly showcased the best of our Rhode Island National Guard Soldiers and Airmen. At home in the Ocean State and across the globe, the 3000 members of our organization have contributed to and lived the legacy of nearly 400 years of service by National Guardsmen.

The National Guard is consistently called upon to fight our nation's wars; an operational force that can be relied upon to provide ready and able Soldiers and Airmen committed to mission success. Over 500 Rhode Island National Guardsmen deployed to more than a dozen countries on six continents in 2019. They said goodbye to friends and family, sons and daughters, husbands and wives to secure a safer future here and abroad. At home, our service members continued to train and were on call, ready to serve the people of Rhode Island. Their expertise and counsel has been consistently sought by city, state, and governmental agencies. They answered the call each and every time, assisting with cyber operations, public health and safety, and disaster response.

It is humbling to serve with these dedicated Soldiers and Airmen. They are accomplished military professionals who continue to balance civilian careers and education. They continue to contribute to the greater Rhode Island community bringing the same level of leadership, teamwork, and technical skills to both the private and public sector.

As Rhode Island's military component, we strive to be stewards of the responsibility and resources with which we have been entrusted. As members of the Rhode Island community, our Soldiers, Airmen, and families are grateful for the support received from our neighbors, employers, and colleagues. It is this support that assists our Citizen-Soldiers and Airmen in accomplishing their mission to serve our state and nation.



I am honored to serve as your Adjutant General. Thank you for your continued support of our incredible men and women in uniform. We are proud to be Rhode Island's home team.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christopher P. Callahan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

MAJOR GENERAL CHRISTOPHER P. CALLAHAN
ADJUTANT GENERAL OF THE RHODE ISLAND NATIONAL GUARD



FIGHTING AMERICA'S WARS RING OVERSEAS DEPLOYMENTS

The Rhode Island National Guard is a specialized team achieving global success. The RING provides ready forces to the US Army and Air Force with the capabilities to fight and win in an array of complex environments. Rhode Island remains among the top states for deployments per-capita as we near 7,700 individual deployments since 2001. This past year was no exception as over 500 men and women of the Rhode Island National Guard deployed in support of our federal mission.

The 143d Airlift Wing accounted for the vast majority of the RING's overseas deployments during 2019. The 143d Civil Engineer Squadron deployed 47 Airmen on 6-month rotations to support Operation Inherent Resolve and Operation Spartan Shield. The 143d Force Support Squadron processed and deployed approximately 300 members from across the 143d Airlift Wing for real-world OCONUS Contingency deployments in 2019.

The 143d Force Support Squadron deployed members to the Middle East in support of Operation Inherent Resolve for six months for food support, MWR operations (Morale, Welfare, Recreation), contracting operations and personnel accountability. The 143d Security Forces Squadron was also mobilized in support of

Operation Freedom's Sentinel where members were tasked with security detail missions or Fly Away Security Teams, traveling with air assets to austere locations where extra security or special security measures were needed to protect personnel and property.

143d Operations Group members deployed 4 C-130Js to the CENTCOM supporting Operations Freedom's Sentinel, Inherent Resolve, Resolute Support and Spartan Shield, flying over 1,800 hours moving over 3,500 tons of cargo and 8,000 passengers.

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The 143d Operations Group Commander and Superintendent also deployed to command and lead the 385th Air Expeditionary Group, the only Air Mobility Command combat group in CENTCOM. 143d leadership was responsible for the operation of four different Aircraft Mission Design Series, including Air Mobility Command's only C-17 squadron, the largest C-130

squadron, the largest KC-135 refueling operation, and the largest maintenance squadron in CENTCOM.

The 385 Air Expeditionary Group enabled the largest strike in Operation Resolute Support history, supporting the destruction of a \$12 billion terrorist drug complex. Additionally, under 143d leadership and approval, the 385 AEG performed the largest airdrop in CENTCOM history with 3x C17s resupplying 9 separate drop-zones with 108 low-cost low-velocity container delivery system bundles, totaling over 80 tons of cargo delivered in less than 26 minutes.

While nearly all of the Rhode Island National Guard's Airmen had returned home safely from their deployments by the start of calendar year 2020, the 115th Military Police Company prepared to deploy overseas as well.

In January 2020, approximately 160 soldiers in the 115th Military Police Company deployed to conduct routine military police missions in support of Operation Spartan Shield throughout southwest Asia. Fighting America's wars will always be our primary mission and the Soldiers and Airmen of the Rhode Island National Guard have continued their legacy of service and sacrifice to our nation.



FIGHTING AMERICA'S WARS

JOINT TRAINING EXERCISES

In order to best respond to calls for domestic support and our engagements overseas, the Rhode Island National Guard engages in numerous joint training exercises annually to hone our skills and work collaboratively with partners and allies.

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Beyond joint military training, the unique mission and capability sets of some units position them to engage in interagency training. The 13th Weapons of Mass Destruction-Civil Support Team (WMD-CST) consists of 22 full-time Soldiers and Airmen that deploy in support of emergency preparedness programs or in response to emergencies. As a result the CST routinely plans, coordinates, and conducts training exercises with its federal, state and local counterparts such as the FBI, the US Postal Inspection Service, USCG, and local fire departments and HAZMAT teams as well as various CST's across the nation.

In August 2019 the 1-103rd Field Artillery participated in Exercise Maroon Raider, an international combined arms live-fire exercise with the M777 Howitzer. Maroon Raider included more than 5,000 service members from four states and three coalition countries at 5th Canadian Division Support Base Gagetown, Canada. During this exercise, Medics from the 1-103d also conducted critical MEDEVAC training with their counterparts from the Maine Army National Guard. During the MEDEVAC training, medics practiced transferring patients from the unit's organic ambulance to a helicopter at an ambulance exchange point.

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During November 2019, Soldiers of A Co 1-182nd Infantry Regiment participated in Exercise Orion at Santa Margarida Military Camp in Portugal.

During the exercise, soldiers conducted weapons familiarization, check point security, mounted and dismounted patrols with a focus on crisis response. Our Soldiers worked alongside their Portuguese, Romanian, Lithuanian and Spanish counterparts during the exercise to simulate a real-world multinational response.

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Prior to departing for Portugal, the Soldiers of A Co 1-182nd participated in individual weapons qualification, shoot and move drills and close quarters battle drills at the Camp Santiago Joint Training Center in Puerto Rico. The 110th Public Affairs Detachment accompanied A Co 1-182nd to Puerto Rico. As a deployable unit, joint participation from the Public Affairs Detachment also enables them to attain critical training in real-world scenarios.



SECURING THE HOMELAND

DOMESTIC OPERATIONS AND SUPPORT

The Rhode Island National Guard remains responsive and accessible to leverage warfighting training and capacity in response to domestic emergencies under the command and control of the governor. RING members live in every community in Rhode Island. They fulfill the unique dual federal-state mandate of the National Guard, simultaneously contributing to the nation's warfighting capacity and serving as the nation's primary military domestic crisis response force.

"Soldiers partnered with state officials to provide community assistance and wellness checks within the community."

Our Military Police frequently work alongside state and federal law enforcement officers. In January 2019, Soldiers of the 43D Military Police Brigade were called to State Active Duty during a declared state emergency in support of the National Grid gas outage in Newport and Middletown, RI. Over 7,000 residents were affected by the gas outage. Soldiers partnered with state officials to provide community assistance and wellness checks within the community.

In July 2019 the 118th Military Police Battalion provided support to security operations in Bristol, RI for the annual Independence Day Celebration and Parade.

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The 13thWMD-CST plays an integral role in domestic operations and support. Since June 2018, the 13th CST has conducted 33 real-world missions in support of federal, state, and local authorities. The majority of the 13th CST's support is linked to the opioid crisis in the State of Rhode Island. The 13th CST has established trusting relationships with the US Postal Inspection Service, the RI State Police High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force, and local law enforcement by providing officers and other first-responders with hazardous materials expertise, life-safety measures, and

mitigation techniques. The 13th CST provides civil authorities with timely assessments and presumptive analysis of unknown substances which supports public safety in Rhode Island.

The 143d Airlift Wing's Fire and Emergency Services Flight also has a unique emergency services support mission. In 2019 the unit completed 109 emergency responses, conducted 23 fire inspections, and rectified 131 safety hazards.

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The 282nd Combat Communications Squadron maintains a state mission to organize, equip, and train to function effectively in the protection of life, property and the preservation of peace, order, and public safety under State authorities. They have the capability to deploy the Joint Incident Site Communications Capabilities (JISCC) suite in support of homeland defense incident response teams within four hours of a deployment order.



SECURING THE HOMELAND INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY

The Rhode Island National Guard is always prepared to address domestic problems through innovation and cutting edge technology. As operations in the cyber domain have posed imminent threats, the RING has been at the forefront of support.

"The Defensive Cyber Operations Element continued assessment and support engagements to the RI Board of Elections and the Secretary of State's office."

Under the Deputy Chief of Staff for Information (G6) the Army National Guard Defensive Cyber Operations Element (DCO-E) conducts defensive Information Operations in support of DoD and NGB operations, GuardNet XXI protection, and support to the RI National Guard Joint Force Headquarters. The RI DCO-E is responsible for keeping the Army and National Guard Leadership informed of incidents, alerts, and warnings based on intrusion activity, ACERT advisories, and other sources. The DCO-E experienced significant engagement growth throughout Fiscal Year 2019. The team continued assessment

and support engagements to the RI Board of Elections and the Secretary of State's office. The DCO-E also began several cyber engagements with local cities and towns to help them reduce the increased risk and incidents caused by the exponential growth in rampant malware, specifically ransomware infecting administration and school system networks.

During this fiscal year the 102d Cyberspace Operations Squadron continued the expansion of infrastructure, bandwidth, and equipment to achieve autonomous dual operations, geographically separate from the primary instance of the weapon system. The Airlift Squadron sent members to MIT Lincoln Laboratories to discuss, review and evaluate the potential for C-130J aircraft to support disaster response and damage analysis with airborne Light Detection and Ranging (LIDAR) systems. The Airfield Management team supervised the completion of over \$3.85 million in airfield improvements in 2019.

Beyond the cyber domain, it remains critical that our weapons systems and training capabilities adapt to and advance with modern warfare. In April of 2019 the 43D MP Brigade was fielded Common Remotely Operated Weapons

Stations (CROWS) to outfit HMMWVs across their subordinate units. These weapon systems allow the vehicle gunner to engage the enemy while remaining safely within the up-armored vehicle. Over 75 Soldiers trained over a three week period learning the installation, operation, and maintenance of these new systems.

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The fielding culminated with MP units exercising CROWS at their respective annual training periods, qualifying on the weapon systems and running the systems through live fire exercises.

Our aircraft too, have undergone upgrades this past year. In 2019, 7 RIANG aircraft were modified with the Automatic Dependent Surveillance Broadcast Out (ADS-B) capability which provides enhanced air traffic control identification globally. Additionally, the aircraft are currently undergoing an enhanced avionics cooling modification.



BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS

INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENT

The Rhode Island National Guard has continued to build upon a rich history of partnerships that cross borders as we mutually enhance our capabilities and resilience with our allies.

One of our most notable international engagements takes place annually through the National Guard's State Partnership Program. Soldiers and Airmen from the RING conduct subject matter expert exchanges with their counterparts in the Royal Bahamas Defence Force, focusing on engineering, medical, aviation, and cyber domains. Through this partnership, the Rhode Island National Guard also supported an annual SOUTHCOM managed national exercise called Tradewinds.

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While 2019 was a significant year for overseas deployments for the 143d Airlift Wing, many of our Airmen also engaged in training internationally in conjunction with

our renowned C-130J international training program. Our Airmen participated in three major exercises. This included Operation Silver Arrow supporting the United States Air Force in Europe, Tradewinds in the Bahamas and providing passenger and equipment transportation for the National Science Foundation in Thule, Greenland.

Over the course of the year, Airmen of the 282d Combat Communications Squadron supported the European Deterrence Initiative while stationed at Ramstein Air Force Base, Germany, engaging in 10 named exercises. This support allowed 40 North Atlantic Treaty Organizations (NATO) and Partnership for Peace (PfP) countries to build techniques, tactics and procedures to seamlessly integrate with coalition partners in contested environments to effectively counter threats throughout the European theater of operations.

In July 2019 the 861st Engineer Company participated in Resolute Castle, a multi-national joint exercise in Cincu, Romania. During Resolute Castle, Soldiers conduct real-world engineer projects that strengthen partnerships and enhance training capabilities with our NATO

allies. Members of the 861st worked alongside Romanian Soldiers to build a multi-purpose building and gym, an entrance control point, and multiple targets on a non-standard range. The 110th Public Affairs Detachment also accompanied the 861st Engineers to Romania to provide public affairs support, highlighting the work of our Soldiers abroad.

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In September, 56th Troop Command took part in an international airborne exchange in the Netherlands honoring the 75th anniversary of Operation Market Garden. Rhode Island Paratroopers, alongside paratroopers from allied nations, participated in a jump in Harkamp, Netherlands to commemorate the largest Airborne operation in the history of warfare.



BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS

The Rhode Island National Guard remains a fixture in the state and greater New England community. As the state's military component, the RING has always considered community involvement and connecting with our citizens as one of its primary responsibilities.

The RING is well known throughout the Ocean State for our annual summer Open House Air Show. However, this past year we took a break from hosting the Open House Air Show due to the high number of deployments within the Rhode Island Air National Guard. After the safe return of our deployed Airmen, we are thrilled the Rhode Island Open House Air Show will return to Quonset in June 2020. It will be headlined by the United States Air Force Thunderbirds and will feature aircraft used by the Rhode Island Air and Army National Guard.

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We are thrilled to once again welcome the public to join us and learn more about what we do as Guardsmen.

In prior years, the Recruiting and Retention Battalion has supported the "RIse with STEAM" event during the Air Show weekend to engage with local students. However, this year the Recruiting and Retention Battalion initiated a new program titled H.E.A.R. "Helping Everyone Archive Respect." The Recruiting Team taught this highly effective, research-based solution to highschool bullying at no cost to local schools. Recruiting also purchased a 3D printer to enhance STEAM capabilities and interaction with high schools across Rhode Island.

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Rhode Island is also the proud home of Leapfest, the world's largest running static line parachute competition, hosted by the Rhode Island National Guard's 56th Troop Command. The purpose of Leapfest is to promote the camaraderie and Esprit de Corps of paratroopers. Leapfest is held at

the University of Rhode Island during early August where troops will spend the extent of the event on campus. The competition itself takes place over the course of one day and is open to the public for viewing. Not only has Leapfest fostered community enegagement, but it has also broadened the scope of the Rhode Island National Guard's international engagement and visibility in the Airborne community, it has provided valuable jump experience for our paratroopers.

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The 36th annual Leapfest 2019 featured 262 jumpers, representing 14 different nations. Paratroopers represented the United States, Canada, Chile, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Germany, the Netherlands, Italy, Jordan, Mexico, Morocco, Qatar, South Africa and New Zealand. 56th Troop Command will once again be hosting Leapfest in August 2020. The Rhode Island National Guard welcomes all to join us in viewing the exhillirating event in Kingston this summer.



OUR MEMBERS & FAMILIES

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There is nothing more important to the readiness of the National Guard than our people. The RING mission requires a capable, diverse, and healthy force of men and women committed to a common purpose. Each of our 3,000 service members and 770 full-time employees is a valued member of the RING family integral to the accomplishment of our core missions.

"There is nothing more important to the readiness of the National Guard than our people."

To preserve our honorable profession and sustain our combat readiness, we are dependent on ethical and caring leaders who motivate, inspire, and retain the Soldiers and Airmen who are placed in their trust. We support member development through a focus on mentorship and we provide critical feedback to all of our members through formalized programs. At any one time, about one fifth of our organization is enrolled in undergraduate or graduate level

civilian education programs.

There are abundant opportunities for personal and professional growth for those who volunteer to serve within our ranks. Today's Citizen Soldiers and Airmen attain a higher degree of specialized training and education than ever before. All members of our ranks receive the same individual military and technical training as their active duty counterparts. Each member within our formations are trained, educated, and resourced to accomplish both global and local missions.

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Fostering meaningful relationships with our families so that they are well cared for when a service member deploys is critical for the RING. Our Military Family Programs office and Family Assistance Center, headquartered in

Warwick, RI, are instrumental in leveraging and integrating national Department of Defense programs including the "Yellow Ribbon" post deployment reintegration program and Family Assistance programs and employer outreach.

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The RING is a trusted Rhode Island institution charged with the care of our society's most precious resources, the sons and daughters of our citizens. As such, the RING is committed to providing a workplace that is healthy, safe, and diverse, as well as free from internal and external physical threats and harassment. We value the lives and wellbeing of all of those who serve within our ranks and seek to uphold all aspects of resiliency; including assisting with service member health and suicide prevention.



JOINT FORCE HEADQUARTERS RHODE ISLAND NATIONAL GUARD



LOCATION
CRANSTON, RI

COMMANDER
MAJ. GEN. CHRISTOPHER CALLAHAN

ENLISTED LEADER
CSM GLEN DECECCO

The Joint Force Headquarters (JFHQ) synchronizes, supports, and directs the land and air components within the Rhode Island National Guard. The JFHQ is organized and staffed to simultaneously address organizational needs across our multiple missions by providing member services, coordinating domestic response, maintaining military readiness, collaborating with our partners, and providing trained and capable forces for our nation's wars.

The Directorate of Military Personnel (G1) provides expertise and resources through the full spectrum of human resources. The Directorate provides service and support to our members and their families. The Soldier Support Division supports two functional programs; education services and the resilience and risk reduction program.

The RING G2 provides manages the organizations intelligence, security, and information operations and provides training and support to intelligence and security professionals.

The G3 Operations Directorate is the lead operations integrator shaping the Rhode Island National Guard into a premier ready force postured for domestic and global responses. The G3 directs the planning, resourcing, coordination, and execution of all operations in support of federal and state missions. Additionally to G3 Directorate coordinated military support to civilian authorities. This includes planning for, preparation for, prevention of, deterrence of and response to threats and aggression towards US infrastructure, and the support to civil entities in crisis management, consequence management and domestic support.

Sustainment and maintenance operations are managed by the Directorate of Logistics (G4). The G4 coordinates logistics functions and management programs based on regulations, guidance, and direction in order to prepare units for combat operations and state emergencies. This office also provides logistics automation, military



transportation, supply management, and supports food service activities to support all subordinate unit requirements and missions.

The Strategy, Policy, and Plans Directorate (G5) develops concepts and ideas into staff and component actionable items in support of the command's objectives and leads the RING's overarching strategic planning process, integrating efforts toward the attainment of the command's vision, goals, and objectives.

The Deputy Chief of Staff for Information (G6) supports RING missions and requirements by providing the architecture, governance, portfolio management, information technology investment strategy, and operational capabilities to enable our forces and partners within information, communication, and cyber domains.

The Training Directorate (G7) organizes and coordinates training activity conducted by a RING and ensures resources are allocated to proficiency development that directly supports our key requirements.

The United States Property & Fiscal Officer (G8) manages all federal funds and assets assigned to the RING to support

training, materiel and equipment in accordance with applicable federal laws. It accomplishes this mission through its five divisions: Comptroller, Contracting, Internal Review, Logistics, and Data Processing.

The RING Joint Force Headquarters is additionally supported by specialized staff professionals including the Judge Advocate General, Inspector General, Chaplain, and Public Affairs sections. Multiple Direct Reporting Units provide unique capabilities to the state and report directly to the JFHQ including:

The RING Medical Detachment located in Providence, RI, plans, coordinates, and executes all health force efforts, maintains and manages electronic healthcare records of Soldiers, oversees the transfer and transition of Soldier healthcare information between units, civilian medical organizations, and federal agencies.

The 243rd Regional Training Institute in Narragansett, RI, provides military occupational specialty qualification training, leadership and professional development training, and instructor qualification training. They currently host and teach Officer Candidate School, Basic Military Police

Course, and Pre-Command Course.

The RIARNG Recruiting and Retention Battalion conducts strength maintenance operations supporting recruiting, retention, and attrition management. They provide promote opportunities for service and foster increased public awareness of the Rhode Island Army National Guard.

The Special Operations Detachment - Global support the United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) in planning and execution of special operations by providing Command and Control capabilities with a detachment of Special Forces personnel. This detachment provides depth and ensures that SOCOM is postured to meet global mission requirements.

The 13th Civil Support Team located in Coventry, RI, provides chemical, biological, and nuclear detection and analysis capabilities to support federal and state law enforcement agencies during state emergencies or other critical events. The 13th CST collaborates with federal, state, and municipal emergency response organizations to increase local and national readiness for a variety of potential incidents, including industrial accident or domestic or foreign terrorism.



56TH TROOP COMMAND

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LOCATION
CAMP FOGARTY

COMMANDER
COL. RONALD TAMMARO

ENLISTED LEADER
CSM RUSSELL S. PION

The 56th Troop Command provides mission command, administrative, and logistical support to A 2/19, A 1/182, C 1/143, 110th PAD, 1-126th GSAB, 88th Army Band, and the 861st Engineer Company during peacetime training and state emergencies. Additionally they host Leapfest annually, the largest static line parachute competition in the world.



A Company, 2nd Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group is headquartered in Middletown, RI. The Soldiers of Alpha 2/19 are unique professionals with an innovative approach to waging war. Falling under the umbrella of Special Operations Forces (SOF), Special Forces is the United States military's premier Unconventional Warfare force. The missions undertaken by National Guard Special Forces encompass a broad spectrum of capabilities, including Unconventional Warfare, Counter-Terrorism, Direct Action, Foreign Internal Defense, and Special

Reconnaissance. Operating in self-sufficient teams comprised 12 individuals, National Guard Special Forces soldiers are well-suited for both sensitive and demanding missions that require mental agility as well as physical stamina. Alpha 2/19 features combat diver and military freefall (HALO) specialists and additionally supports training and selection of Soldiers for SF career entry and development.



The 1-126th General Support Aviation Battalion provides command and control, air movement of troops and material, and aeromedical evacuation to battlefield commanders. Additionally they provide search and rescue, evacuation, and air movement capabilities to Rhode Island during state emergencies. The 1-126th is a self-supporting unit capable of full spectrum flight operations. Its members serve a broad spectrum of capacities including pilots, crew chiefs,



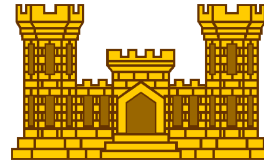
flight medics, air and ground mechanics, and flight operations personnel.



Alpha Company, 1/182nd Infantry, is a light infantry company headquartered in East Greenwich, RI, whose mission is to close with the enemy by means of fire and maneuver to destroy or capture, repel their assault by fire, and counterattack. Alpha Company maintains a multi-state training relationship with the 182nd Infantry Battalion located in Massachusetts and participated in collective air assault training operations in the past year at Camp Edwards, MA.

Charlie Company, 1/143rd Infantry (Airborne) company headquartered in East Greenwich, RI. The 143rd Infantry Battalion is headquartered in Texas. The battalion, including Rhode Island's Charlie Company, continues to serve as the 3rd maneuver Battalion for the 173rd IBCT (Airborne) out of Vicenza Italy highlighting a unique training relationship between active duty and National Guard maneuver units. Charlie

Company's paratroopers deployed to Romania in 2017 in support of "Operation Saber Guardian" and Poland in 2018 in support of "Operation Saber Strike".



The 861st Engineer Company provides horizontal construction, limited vertical construction, and survey capability while conducting engineer operations that include initial base camp construction, non-explosive obstacle breaching, area clearing, and construction of aircraft operations platforms in support of Brigade Combat Teams. Additionally, the 861st provides support to civil authorities in order to open and maintain key ground and protect critical infrastructure. The 861st also provides search and extraction capabilities to New England CERFP and civil authorities in order to rescue and recover personnel and equipment from collapsed structures.



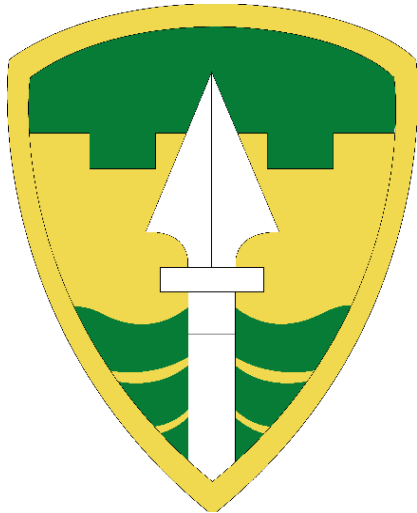
The 88th Army Band serves as a combat multiplier by supporting morale and esprit de corps to the Soldiers and Airmen of the Rhode Island National Guard. These soldiers also serve an important role in public outreach, engaging with more than 100,000 audience members annually on behalf of the Rhode Island National Guard.



The 110th Public Affairs Detachment provides media relations and logistical and operational control of media members on the battlefield. Domestically the 110th PAD supports the Rhode Island Army National Guard's media relations, community engagement, and command information efforts through written and graphical media. During state emergencies they assist in keeping the public informed by engaging with media and publishing command-released information.



43D MILITARY POLICE BRIGADE RHODE ISLAND NATIONAL GUARD



LOCATION
WARWICK ARMORY

COMMANDER
COL. CRAIG MACERI

ENLISTED LEADER
CSM ROBERT WALL



The 43d Military Police Brigade serves as the command element for the 118th Military Police Battalion and the 1-103d Field Artillery Battalion. They have the capability to conduct and oversee all three military police disciplines; police operations, detention operations, and security and mobility support. Additionally, the Brigade functions as the regional Military Police command headquarters and the State's National Guard Task Force Headquarters. They are capable of supporting domestic response, and providing protection measures to critical infrastructure to promote stability and security in the state. In 2017, the HHC, 43d Military Police Brigade deployed to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

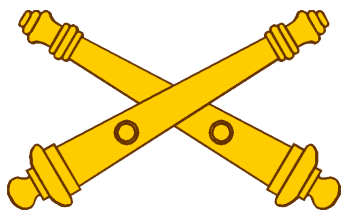
The 118th Military Police Battalion is based at the Warwick Armory where they provide command and control, administrative, and logistical support to the 169th Military Police Company and 115th Military Police Company during peacetime training and state emergencies. They provide administrative and logistical support to prison operations in contingency operations while deployed.

The 115th Military Police Company is located at Camp Fogarty in East Greenwich, and provides maneuver and mobility support, area security, law and order operations, and internment and resettlement operations to battlefield commanders. Domestically the 115th can be counted on to provide law enforcement, search and rescue, and other support functions for state emergencies. The more than 160 person company contains all the communications, maintenance, supply, and mess-section personnel necessary to self-sustain during operations. The 115th



Military Police Company deployed as of January 2020 for Operation Spartan Shield.

The 169th Military Police Company is located at the Warren Armory provides maneuver and mobility support, area security, law and order operations, and internment and resettlement operations to battlefield commanders. During peacetime they can be activated to provide law enforcement, search and rescue, and other support functions for state emergencies. The more than 130 person company contains all the communications, maintenance, supply, and mess-section personnel necessary to self-sustain during operations.



The 1st Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery, provides conventional and precision cannon artillery fires capabilities to battlefield commanders in order to neutralize or suppress

the enemy. The Battalion is equipped with twelve M777A2 155mm howitzers that are towed by truck or transported by helicopter. In peace time the Battalion is trained and equipped to handle mass decontamination in the case of a nuclear, biological, or chemical emergency.

The Headquarters and Alpha Batteries are located in the historic Armory of Mounted Commands in Providence. Bravo Battery and Charlie Battery are stationed in North Smithfield and Bristol, respectively. In October 2019 Charlie Battery cased its guidon in Rhode Island and was transferred to the New Hampshire National Guard. RING soldiers in Charlie Battery were consolidated with Bravo which now operates out of Bristol.

The 103rd traces its lineage to the Providence Marine Corps of Artillery, which was activated in the American Civil War and the Spanish-American War. The 103rd served the state and nation in World War I, World War II, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation New Dawn.

During the past year, the 103rd Field Artillery conducted progressive artillery and sustainment training culminating in August

for Annual Training. The Battalion participated in 5th Canadian Division's "Exercise Maroon Raider," an international combined arms live-fire exercise involving more than 5,000 service members from four states and three coalition countries at 5th Canadian Division Support Base Gagetown, New Brunswick, Canada.



The 1207th Forward Support Company is headquartered in East Greenwich, RI. The 1207th is a multifunctional logistical support unit that provides transportation, supply, maintenance, and food service support to their assigned maneuver battalions in order to sustain unified land combat operations. In peacetime they are trained and equipped to handle mass decontamination in the case of a nuclear, biological, or chemical emergency.



I43D AIRLIFT WING

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LOCATION
QUONSET ANGB

COMMANDER
COL. MICHAEL COMSTOCK

ENLISTED LEADER
CMSGT. GREGORY HOUGHTON

The 143d Airlift Wing's mission is to serve as the premier C-130J Combat Airpower, Cyber, and Combat Communications center of excellence, meeting all federal and state support requirements while providing maximum assistance to their national and international partners.

The 143d Airlift Wing is comprised of approximately 1000 Airmen in five major groups, the Mission Support Group, Operations Group, Maintenance Group, Medical Group, and Wing staff. Each group consists of squadrons of specialized Airmen.

The Mission Support Group includes Airmen from the 143d Logistics Readiness Squadron, 143d Civil Engineering Squadron, 143d Security Forces Squadron, 143d Force Support Squadron, 143d Communications Flight, and the 282d Combat Communications Squadron.

The mission of the Logistics Readiness Squadron is to provide overall direction for base logistics processes related to vehicle management, cargo movement,

passenger movement, aerial delivery, supplies, equipment, fuels and deployment planning and execution. This is accomplished by establishing and maintaining a ready, relevant, customer-focused Logistics Readiness Squadron while fostering a positive employee work environment.

The Civil Engineer Squadron is responsible for Quonset State Airport, RI. The squadron performs the operation, maintenance, repair and construction of real property to effectively sustain Quonset's land and facilities. They are responsible for base fire protection services for the entire airfield, base readiness, environmental programs, natural resource programs, and real property management.

The mission of the Airmen of the Security Forces Squadron is to organize, train, and equip mission ready personnel to provide a safe and secure environment for personnel, resources, and information in support of their Nation, State, and Community.

These Airmen are able to accomplish this task by having the best trained, best equipped,



staffed, combat ready Security Forces Squadron ready and capable to meet every State and Federal mission tasked.

The Force Support Squadron is responsible for providing military and civilian personnel, manpower and organization, education, professional military education, career enhancement, Airman and family support services, sustainment and quality of life programs for military and civilian members and families of 143d Airlift Wing.

The mission of the Communications Flight is to provide robust, reliable and compliant communications tools to serve the Rhode Island National Guard's domestic and federal mission requirements. They plan, install, operate and maintain the full spectrum of communication system and services to ensure the successful mission execution of the 143d Airlift Wing, 102d Network Warfare Squadron and 282d Combat Communications Squadron.

The Dual Mission of the 282nd Combat Communications Squadron is to rapidly deploy an integrated force capable of establishing initial and build-up Command and Control; Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance communications; and

Information Operations capabilities to support the war fighter during times of war and federal/state agencies during homeland emergencies.

The Operations Group works to provide premier tactical airlift support and exceptional Department of Defense Information Network and Air Force Information Network protection for combatant commanders, federal and state authorities during times of international conflict and domestic emergencies.

The Airlift Squadron provides 16 combat ready crews operating eight Lockheed-Martin C-130J Super Hercules aircraft. The C-130 tactical airlift mission includes air-land, night vision goggle, austere airfield, aeromedical and airdrop capabilities in global joint and combined exercises, combat, contingencies and humanitarian relief operations.

The 102d Cyberspace Operations works directly with the RI State Police, RI Emergency Management and government organizations assessing network security policies and procedures and improving cybersecurity information sharing practices. The primary focus for state support

is to coordinate with, train, advise, and assist users in cyber protection best practices and network defense.

The Maintenance Group provides eight safe, reliable and effective C130J aircraft and maintenance capability to the 143d Operations Group and Airlift Wing for their continental US and worldwide combat missions. The 143d Maintenance Group has provided in-depth International training both here in Rhode Island and in host countries, most recently France, Saudi Arabia and Oman.

The Medical Group provides medical support to the Rhode Island Air National Guard by ensuring that members are medically capable of performing their duties, both at home and deployed, and by monitoring and recommending mitigation for occupational health hazards. In addition to our mission at home, the unit has a 25 person expeditionary medicine team that can deploy to augment existing field hospitals.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

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STATE & FEDERAL IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

STATE REVENUE
\$8,292,442

FEDERAL REVENUE
\$98,254,818

TOTAL STATE AND
FEDERAL REVENUE
\$106,547,260



RING EMPLOYMENT AROUND THE STATE

TRADITIONAL GUARDSMEN
3000

FULL-TIME JOBS IN THE DEFENSE
SECTOR
770

STATE OF RI EXPENDITURES AND REVENUE FOR 2019

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Salary/Wages and Benefits	\$1,298,003
Contracted Professional Services	\$117,934
Operating Supplies and Expenses	\$1,152,487
Assistance and Grants	\$274,555
Capital Purchases and Equipment	\$5,449,463
Total State Expenditures:	\$8,292,442
ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
General Revenue	\$2,836,265
Restricted Recipients	\$34,908
Operating Transfers from Other	\$5,421,269
Total State Revenue:	\$8,292,442

The RING provides a significant economic impact to the state of Rhode Island. In 2019, federal funds accounted for over \$67 million in military and civilian pay for Rhode Islanders. Over \$98 million in federal funds supported goods and services, in particular, military construction.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES IN RHODE ISLAND FOR 2019

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Military Pay	\$47,225,673
Civilian Pay	\$19,991,687
Goods & Services	\$12,141,643
Total Federal Revenue	\$98,254,818

The new Joint Force Headquarters is an example of the RING's economic impact on our state. Construction of new JFHQ at Camp Fogarty, Grand Opening coming March 2020.





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