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## UNC/CFC/USFK LEADERSHIP

- Gen. Vincent K. Brooks (Commander, UNC/CFC/USFK)
- Gen. Kim, Hyun-Jip (Deputy Commander, CFC)
- Lt. Gen. Terrence J. O’Shaughnessy (Deputy Commander, UNC/USFK)
- Lt. Gen. Thomas S. Vandal (Chief of Staff, UNC/CFC/USFK)
- Command Sgt. Maj. Steven L. Payton (Cmd. Sgt. Maj. UNC/CFC/USFK)

## MAY’S SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES New UNC/CFC/USFK Commander Visits Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) (May 12)

The UNC/CFC/USFK Commander, Gen. Vincent K. Brooks, made his first trip as Commander to the DMZ with the ROK Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Lee Soon-jin.

*“I’ve been to this outpost many times over the years, and each time I come back, I’m reminded of how quickly things can change on the Korean Peninsula and why it is that we must remain ready all the time and remain strong,”*

*~ Gen. Vincent K. Brooks,  
Commander UNC/CFC/USFK*

As they met with U.S. and ROK troops at the Joint Security Area (JSA), Gen. Brooks noted, “Their combined nature, even at this (JSA) battalion level, is reflective of the (ROK-U.S.) Combined Forces Command all the way up to the highest level, and it symbolizes the strength of the Alliance.”



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BEVERLY HERD 16-01 featured an “Elephant Walk” that showcased A-10 Thunderbolt II and F-16 Fighting Falcon fighter aircraft available on the Korean Peninsula and from the 179th Fighter Squadron “Bulldogs” of the Minnesota Air National Guard, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 2016.



Gen. Vincent K. Brooks, the UNC/CFC/USFK Commander and Gen. Lee Soon-Jin, Chairman of the ROK Joint Chiefs of Staff receive a briefing inside the DMZ, South Korea, May 12, 2016.

## BEVERLY HERD 16-01 Concludes at Osan (May 11-13)

After three days of simulated contingency operations, and two days of individual unit-level training, the readiness exercise BEVERLY HERD 16-01 ended on May 13.

Unlike past wing operational readiness exercises that tested the readiness of the entire wing, BEVERLY HERD 16-01 focused on individual unit-level objectives to increase each unit’s combat effectiveness.

“We will continue to conduct exercises each quarter...and constantly train to our wartime tasks in order to ensure our ‘Fight Tonight’ capability,” said Col. Andrew Hansen, 51st Fighter Wing Commander.

## Eighth Army Hosts Second Transformation Town Hall (May 18)

Eighth Army held its second Transformation Town Hall meeting.

“This is something we want to do regularly ... this is about being as transparent as we possibly can to ensure that everyone knows what the timelines are,” said Eighth Army Commander Lt. Gen. Thomas Vandal during the first town hall on April 6.

This month’s town hall was focused on civilian personnel including Department of the Army civilians, Korean employees, and contractors. The event

featured a panel of subject matter experts who provided briefings, answered questions, and met with concerned community members.

The June town hall will focus on family members and the July meeting will primarily focus on Soldier issues.

## MAY’S KEY VISITORS

We are honored to welcome Distinguished Visitors to learn about the Command, our mission, our people, and to exchange ideas.

- Sen. Daniel Sullivan (R-AK), Committee on Armed Services, Committee on Veterans’ Affairs
- Sen. Joni Ernst (R-IA), Committee on Armed Services
- Sen. Cory Gardner (R-CO), Committee on Foreign Relations
- Adm. Scott Swift, Commander, Pacific Fleet
- Gen. Petr Pavel (Czech Republic), Chairman, NATO Military Committee
- Gen. (Ret.) Walter L. Sharp, Former Commander, UNC/CFC/USFK
- Gen. (Ret.) Larry R. Ellis, Rotary International
- Vice Adm. Joseph P. Aucoin, Commander, 7th Fleet
- Lt. Gen. Christopher C. Bogdan, Program Executive Officer for F-35 Lightning II Joint Program Office
- Lt. Gen. Robert Ferrell, Army G6
- Lt. Gen. Flora D. Darpino, Judge Advocate General of the Army
- Threat Reduction Advisory Committee
- Ms. Elisabeth A. Cordray, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Plans
- UNC Sending State Ambassadors in a monthly roundtable discussion

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