

## A TEAM OF CHOICE

Our 70,000 plus Service Members, Civil Servants, Contractors and Korean National staff advance a critical mission on behalf of their countries. Meet just a few of them.



**LT.GEN. TERENCE J. O'SHAUGHNESSY**  
Deputy Commander, USFK

*"Working with our dedicated people serving in Korea – helping them develop and watching them succeed – is a privilege I find personally rewarding."*

One of Lt. Gen. O'Shaughnessy's early assignments included being a weapons officer and flight commander at Kunsan Air Base, ROK. He has extensive operational and strategic experience in Italy, Europe, Hawaii, and Washington. In December 2014, he returned to command the Seventh Air Force and serve as Deputy Commander of USFK and UNC.



**GYSGT. JUSTIN M. HARDING**  
USFK Main Operations Chief

*"Serving in Korea with ROK counterparts and the Joint Staff has been mind expanding, on both a professional and personnel level. The more I learn the language and culture of Korea, the more interesting the mission becomes."*

During his 17 years in the U.S. Marine Corps, Gunnery Sergeant Harding served with the Second Battalion, Fifth Marines and the Second Battalion, First Marines, and has deployed once to Afghanistan, four times to Iraq, and completing two floats with the 31st MEU in Okinawa, Japan.



**PV2 SUSANNA MIRELES**  
Human Resources Specialist

*"Korea has so much to offer for soldiers. I am excited about all the different opportunities to explore the country. This tour will allow me to grow both professionally and personally."*

PV2 Mireles is serving her first overseas assignment in Korea, as a Human Resources Specialist. She hails from Sanford, North Carolina and trained at Ft. Jackson. Her leaders have praised her outstanding contribution to the team in Korea.



**DAVID NEAVERTH**  
Seoul American High School student

*"There are so many opportunities available to dependents here that aren't available to students in the United States. Everything from athletic to academic events are sponsored and funded by DODEA in various foreign countries throughout the region."*

Neaverth, traveled to Washington, D.C., in March as one of 104 delegates selected to the highly competitive 53rd annual U.S. Senate Youth Program. Neaverth has also served as class president, run cross country, played soccer, and earned his rank as an Eagle Scout.



## A MISSION OF CHOICE

The United Nations Command, Combined Forces Command, and United States Forces Korea need the military's best to navigate a crucial and difficult mission.

*"This is the place where we ask our forces to be the most ready all the time. We know 'fight tonight' is not just a slogan. It's the real deal."*

- Secretary of Defense Ashton B. Carter

## STAND WITH US ON FREEDOM'S FRONTIER

There are few starker dividing lines in the world today than the Demilitarized Zone in Korea. To the north, one of the last vestiges of the Cold War, a one-family dictatorship for over 60 years. To the south, a vibrant, prosperous democracy, a hub for global trade. South Korea boasts a prosperous and vibrant economy, the world's 14th largest according to Bank of Korea, 2014. With world-class universities and research and development centers, Korea is also a leader in science and technology, as well as the world leader in internet connectivity with the fastest average internet connection speed. Along "Freedom's Frontier," the United States is committed to defend its South Korean ally against external aggression and maintain stability in Northeast Asia.

## STAY READY WITH US

We prepare each day to "Fight Tonight," because our readiness is the surest way to dissuade our adversary. This commitment provides unique training opportunities for our Service Members. As an already forward deployed force, training and exercises are generally held in country. With this increased home stay time, many Service Members take advantage of the educational opportunities to complete their degrees or advanced degrees. The military training is exciting, diverse and in some cases allows Service Members to earn joint assignment credit.

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# KOREA

## AN ASSIGNMENT OF CHOICE



America's global future  
is being written in Asia ...  
and your future can be, too.



The 28,500 Service Members in Korea defend "Freedom's Frontier," while living in one of the world's most vibrant societies. Choose Korea – a critical mission and a compelling adventure.

# But, Korea is not all work!



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WARRIOR ADVENTURE QUEST

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## → KOREA: AN ADVENTURE OUTSIDE THE GATES, AND A GREAT COMMUNITY WITHIN

### • SCHOOLS OF CHOICE

Seoul American Middle School and the Chinhae CT Joy Elementary School are National Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence. Over 40 percent of the senior classes at Seoul American High School and Humphreys High School earned a 3 or higher on one or more Advanced Placement tests, double the national average.

### • NEW FACILITIES

Two schools opened in 2013 at Camp Humphreys, and two more will open in 2016. Two schools in Daegu and one at Osan are also scheduled to be modernized as DoDEA spends over \$1 billion in the Pacific.

### • EXTENSIVE ACTIVITIES

Organized sports are abundant. Each Memorial Day, dozens of teams vie for supremacy at Yongsan Garrison's annual softball tournament. Student-athletes compete against their peers from across the Pacific in baseball, basketball, cheer, cross-country, football, JROTC, soccer, softball, tennis, track & field, volleyball and wrestling. MathFest, Model Congress, and JazzFest are some of the many academic events also available.

### • A SAFE HOME

Korea offers this great adventure in one of the world's safest societies. Of the 36 developed OECD countries, Korea has the third fewest robberies.

**CHOOSE KOREA!**

## → FOOD

Korea is a culinary paradise, with a growing Korean and international dining scene. From the grilled meat of Korean BBQ to vegetable and rice bibimbap, Korea food is recognized from Seoul to Hollywood for taste and health. And, when you want a quick visit home, eat Subway at Yongsan, Chili's at Osan Air Base, or visit one of the 900 Dunkin' Donuts around Korea.



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KOREAN BARBEQUE

PHOTO BY TRAVIS NEP SMITH

## → SHOPPING

From the traditional open air markets of Seoul's Namdaemun to the mega-malls of Busan's Centum City, Korea is a shopper's paradise! Local crafts, western brands, the latest hi-tech gear – there are unlimited opportunities.



DONGDAEMUN DESIGN PLAZA, SEOUL

SEOUL METROPOLITAN GOV. PHOTO



SHOP IN INSADONG

PHOTO BY INSAPHOWETRUST



JUNGMUN BEACH, JEJU ISLAND

PHOTO BY JUSTIN DELA ORNELLAS

## → TRAVEL

Visit one of Korea's 11 UNESCO World Heritage Sites, view North Korea from the DMZ, or walk the "museum without walls" of Gyeongju. Fly two hours from Seoul Incheon, voted the world's best airport for the 10th straight year according to the ACI (Airports Council International), to see the Great Wall in Beijing or the gardens of Kyoto. Just a little further are the markets of Hong Kong and the beaches of Thailand.



SPLISH SPLASH WATER PARK, CAMP HUMPHREYS

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GAWANAKSAN, SEOUL

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NANTA

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## → FOUR SEASONS OF ENTERTAINMENT

Korea offers Service Members and family members great entertainment and cultural enrichment throughout the whole year.

### • WINTER

Ski at one of Korea's 15 top quality ski resorts – some are even indoors for year-round skiing!

### • SPRING

Visit the Cherry Blossom Festival, the COEX Aquarium in downtown Seoul, one of Korea's 15 IMAX theaters, or famous and fun non-verbal musicals.

### • SUMMER

Head to one of Korea's seven major water parks or to beaches along Korea's 1,500 miles of coastline.

### • FALL

Tour one of Korea's 21 national parks – hike to Wolchulsan's Cloud Bridge, ride the cable car in Seoraksan's California-like beauty, or navigate the waters of the Hallyeohaesang Islands.