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**UNAPPROVED (draft) MEETING MINUTES**  
**Board of Military Affairs Meeting**  
**July 22, 2016**  
**Sioux Falls, SD**

The Board of Military Affairs (BOMA) convened in the conference room of South Dakota Air National Guard Headquarters in Hangar 40 on the air base in Sioux Falls, SD at 8:00 AM on July 22, 2016.

**Board Members in Attendance:** Ron Brownotter, Ron Mielke, Dick Trankle, Kim Vanneman and Larry Weiss

**Military Personnel in Attendance:** Major General Tim Reisch & Colonel Nate Alholina

The meeting was called to order by MG Reisch at 8:00 AM. The minutes from the February 5, 2016 meeting in Rapid City were reviewed and approved as drafted.

Ron Mielke briefed the Board on the Sioux Falls Air Show which he is the chairman of this year. This year's show is set for July 22 and 23 and will again feature the Blue Angels. The show will start at 11:00 AM both days. Ron gave an overview of the planning that took place over the last couple of years to set the stage for the show and talked about the committee organization and the level of sponsorship required to facilitate the show which is free to the public. He thanked the South Dakota Air National Guard for their hard work, strong support and participation.

Colonel Nate Alholina, Commander of the 114<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing then provided an operational update briefing on his unit. Colonel Alholina took command of the 114<sup>th</sup> on May 1, 2016 following the 10-year command of Colonel Russ Walz. (Col. Alholina's slides to be attached)

MG Reisch then provided a briefing on the current operational status of the SD National Guard. Topics covered were changes in senior leadership, national awards received recently, the 10-year anniversary of our state partnership with Suriname, update on current and upcoming deployments. (MG Reisch's slides to be attached)

General Reisch also discussed the status of the F-35 basing selection process. The data call has been completed and states are awaiting the issuance of the "short list" of 5 to 6 bases that will receive a site visit later this year. Eighteen Air National Guard locations are in the running but only two will ultimately be selected for fielding of the F-35s in the 2021 to 2022 timeframe.

The Board was then provided a base tour by personnel of the 114<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing and several members had the opportunity to try out the F-35 simulator that was set up for the Air Show.

The date of the next meeting date will be determined and announced at a later time. It will likely occur in conjunction with the February 2017 Legislative Dining Out in Pierre.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 AM.



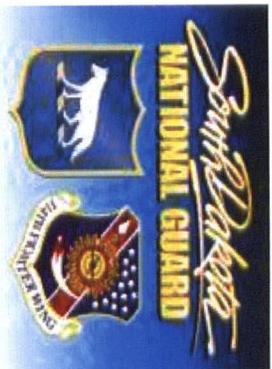
# **Board of Military Affairs**

## **Summer Meeting**

**SD Air National Guard Base**

**Sioux Falls, SD**

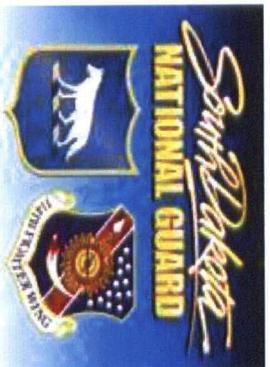
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# **South Dakota National Guard**

## **Vision**

**The most professional,  
competent and reliable state  
National Guard organization in  
the United States of America.**



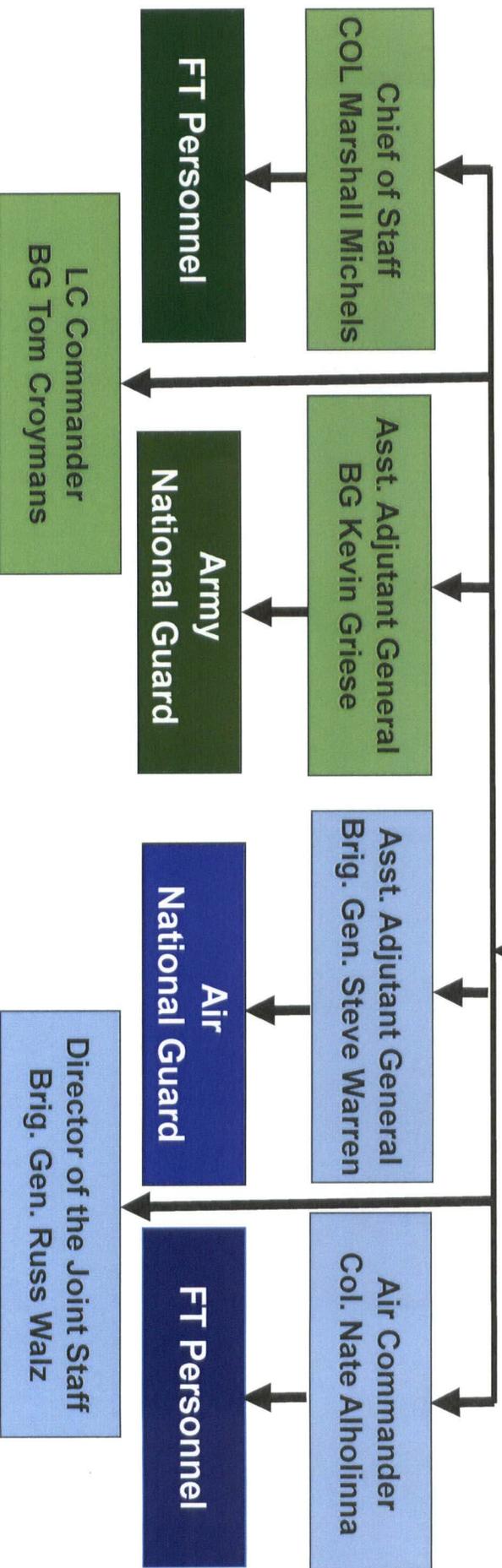
# South Dakota National Guard

## The SDNG Chain of Command

**Governor Dennis Daugaard  
Commander in Chief**



**The Adjutant General  
Major General Timothy A. Reisch**



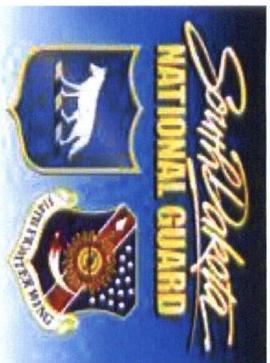


# National Awards

Fifteen South Dakota Army National Guard units received the National Guard Bureau's Superior Unit Award in recognition of outstanding achievement. The Superior Unit Award is presented only to units that meet the highest standards in drill attendance, physical fitness, weapons qualification and maintenance.



Eisenhower Trophy Recipient 109<sup>th</sup> Regional Support Group



# State Partnership Program 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event June 22, 2016



# Army National Guard

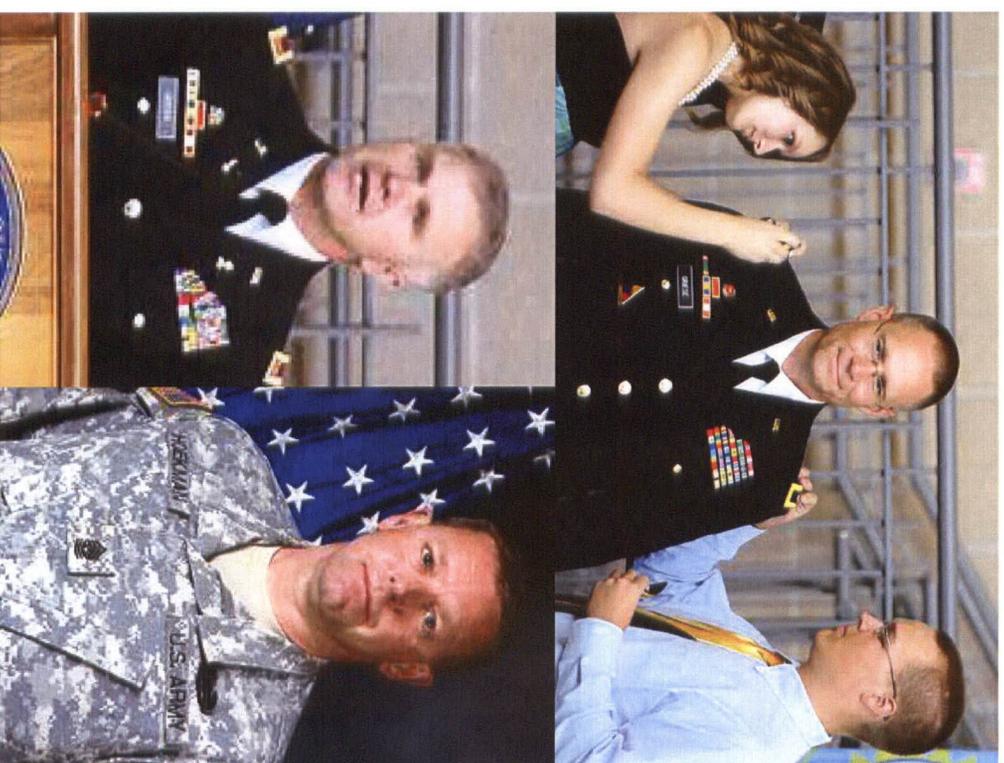




# Army National Guard

## ARNG Leadership

- Assistant Adjutant General
  - BG Kevin Griese
- Chief of Staff
  - COL Marshall Michels
- Command Chief Warrant Officer
  - CW5 Lonald Hofer
- Command Sergeant Major
  - State CSM James Hoekman





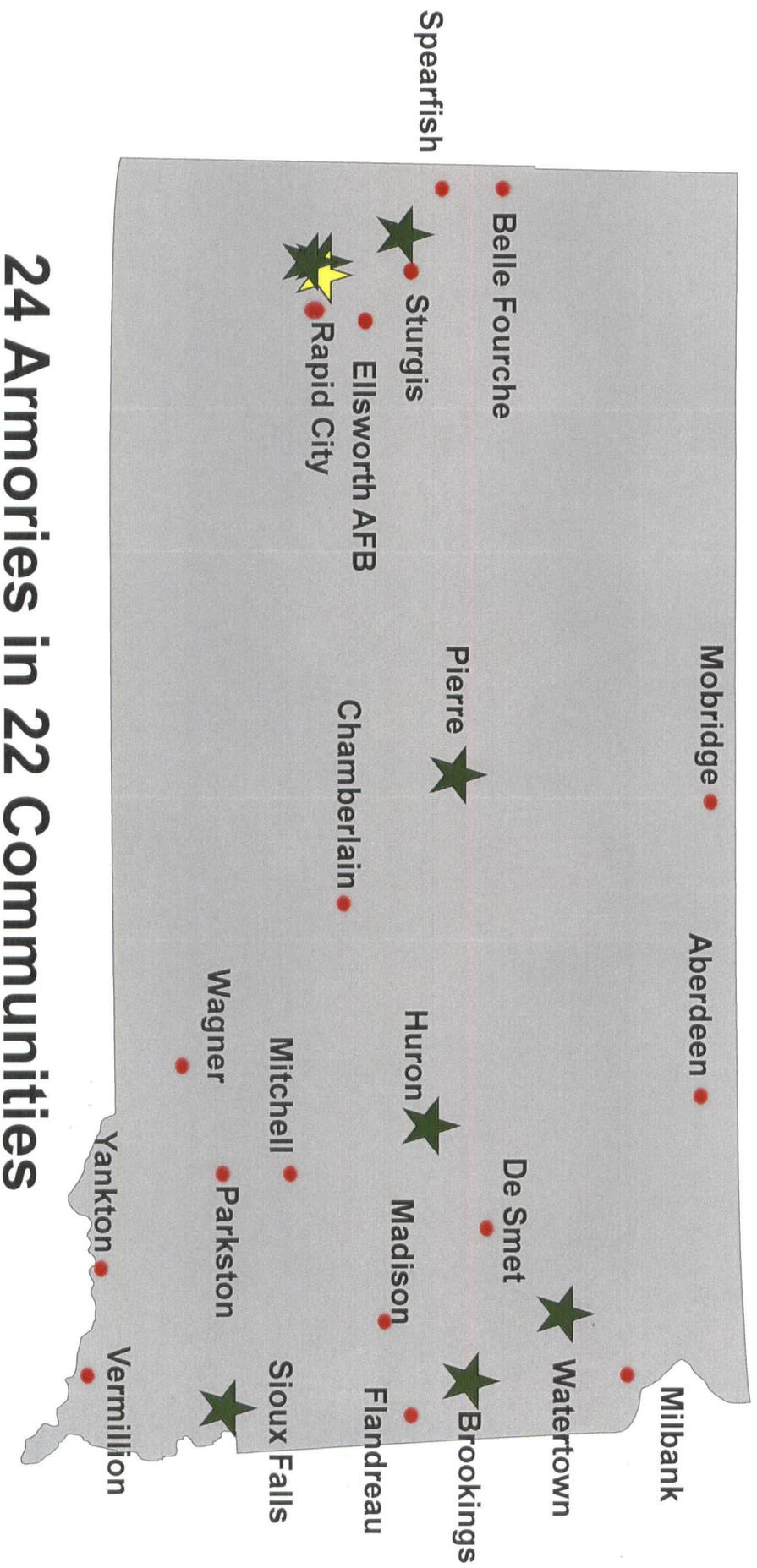
# Army National Guard

## Personnel Statistics

- Our authorized strength is 3,003 Soldiers.
  - 359 Officers, 112 Warrant Officers, 2,532 Enlisted
- Our FY 2016 strength mission goal is 3,125 Soldiers.
  - Down 40 from last year's mission of 3,165 Soldiers
- Full-time federal employees: 577 (AGR and Tech)
  - Down 31 from last year's 608 authorization
- State employees: 52.1 FTE



# Army National Guard Armories and Locations



## 24 Armories in 22 Communities

★ State Headquarters

★ ARNG MACOM/BN  
Headquarters

● Unit Locations



# Army National Guard

## Current Deployments

196<sup>th</sup> MEB

Kuwait

FEB 2016

(39 personnel)

\* We also have three individual Soldiers in Kuwait & one in Suriname.





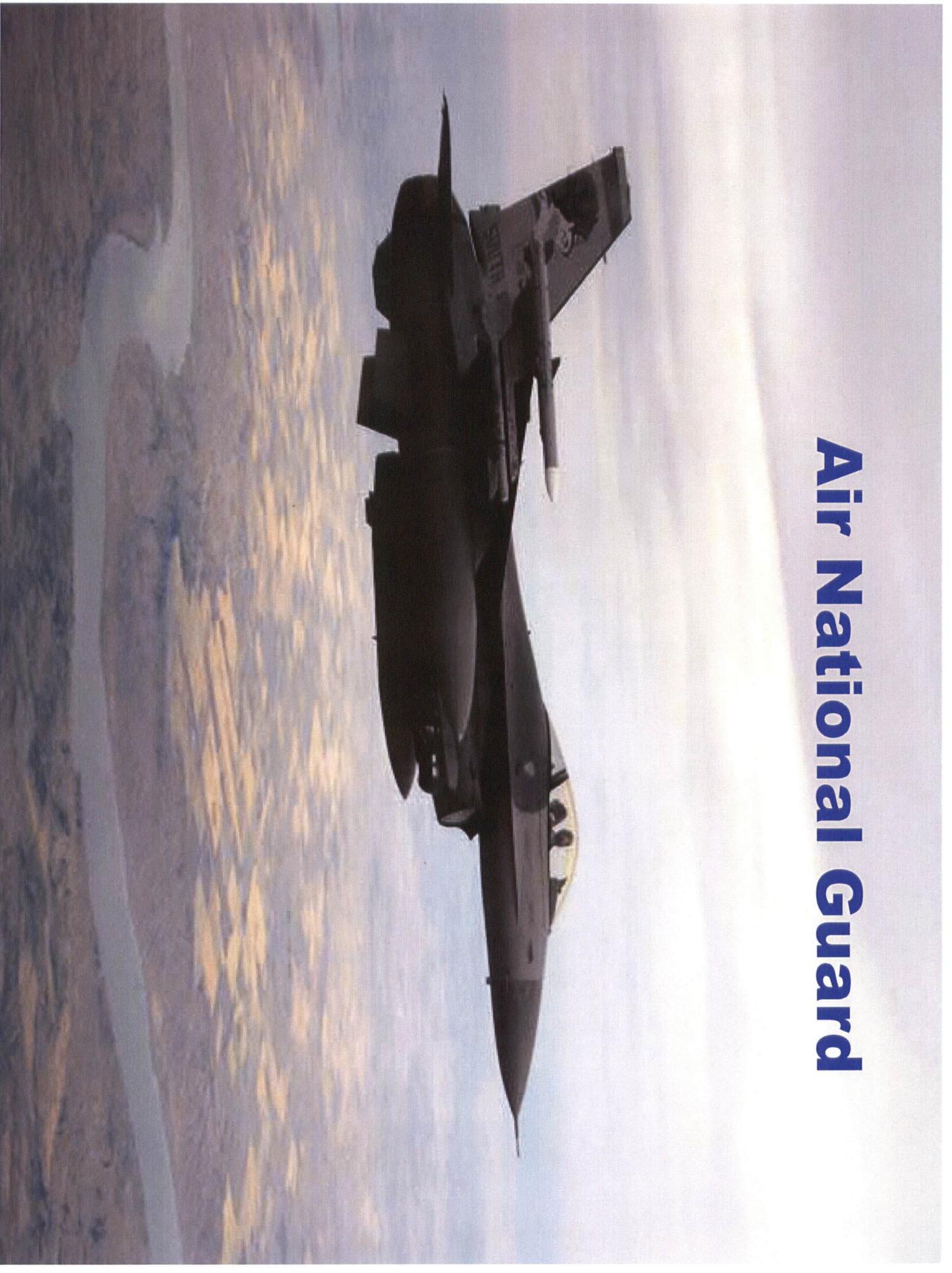
# Army National Guard

## Future Deployments

HQ 153 <sup>rd</sup> EN BN	Kuwait	NOV 2016	(78 personnel)
FSC 153 <sup>rd</sup> EN BN	Kuwait	NOV 2016	(85 personnel)
216 <sup>th</sup> EN Det (FF)	Romania	JUL 2017	( 3 personnel)
200 <sup>th</sup> EN CO	Kuwait	JUL 2017	(15 personnel)
C/1/189 <sup>th</sup> AVN	Kuwait	OCT 2017	(67 personnel)

- Individual Soldiers will continue to deploy to various locations on a voluntary basis.

# Air National Guard





# Air National Guard

## SDANG Leadership

### Assistant Adjutant General

- Brig. Gen. Steve Warren

### Director of the Joint Staff

- Brig. Gen Russ Walz

### 114<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing Commander

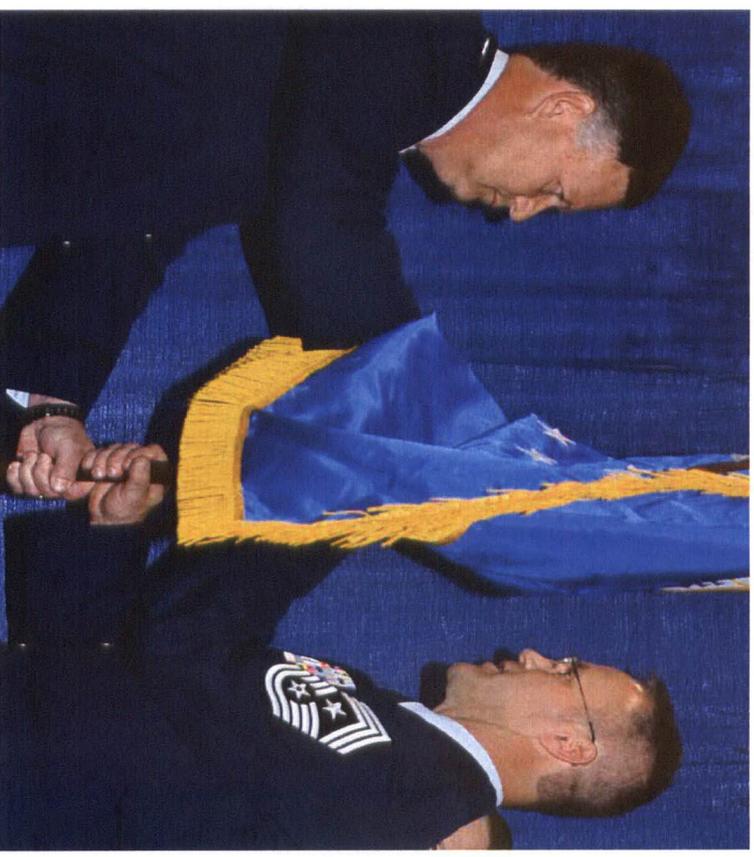
- Col. Nate Alholinna

### State Command Chief Master Sergeant

- Chief Master Sgt. Jeanne Gacke

### Wing Command Chief Master Sergeant

- Chief Master Sergeant Dean Hillberg





# Air National Guard

## Personnel Statistics

- **Military Strength**                      **1,030 (officers & enlisted)**
- **Federal Employees**                      **357 (AGR and Tech)**
- **State Employees**                      **47.0**
  - Environmental Management      1.0
  - Fire Protection Support          30.0
  - Operations & Maintenance      16.0



# Air National Guard Deployments

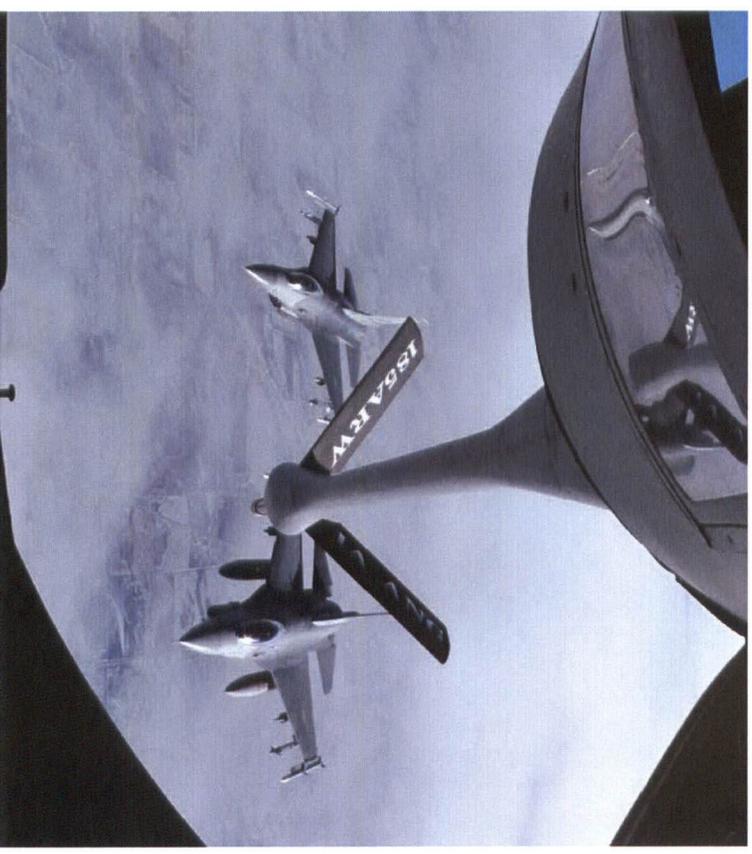
- We currently have 2 individual Airmen deployed to Republic of Korea and Qatar (both returning later this month). Individual Airmen will continue to deploy to various locations worldwide.
- Eight jets & approx. 140 Airmen will deploy to Lask AB, Poland from 29 August through 23 September 2016.

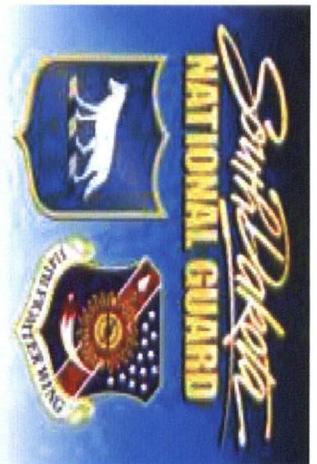




# Air National Guard Challenges Ahead

- Future federal budget constraints
- Identifying a permanent alert mission
- Transitioning to the next generation of fighter aircraft





**QUESTIONS?**