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FORT BELVOIR, Va. (Oct. 1, 2010) – MG Rhett A. Hernandez assumed command of the U.S. Army Cyber Command Friday at Fort Belvoir, Va., during a ceremony officiated by Army Vice Chief of Staff Gen. Peter W. Chiarelli.

Army Cyber Command headquarters will be located in the National Capital Region and will realign Soldiers and Civilians into essential Army Cyber Command headquarters positions. The total command strength of 21,000 Soldiers and Civilians will be located around the globe.

Army Cyber Command is the Army's service component command to U.S. Cyber Command, a sub-unified command under U.S. Strategic Command.

The Army command's mission is to plan, coordinate, integrate, synchronize, direct, and conduct network operations and defense of all Army networks. When directed, the Army command will conduct cyberspace operations in support of full spectrum



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MG Rhett A. Hernandez assumed command of the U.S. Army Cyber Command from LTG Kevin T. Campbell, who is also the commanding general of U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, as well as Army Forces Strategic Command, during an uncasing of the colors and change of command ceremony in front of the Nolan Building on Fort Belvoir, Va., Oct. 1.

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operations to ensure U.S. and allied freedom of action in cyberspace, and to deny the same to adversaries.

Before today, Army Space and Missile Defense Command/Army Forces Command, under LTG Kevin T. Campbell, has led the Army's cyberspace operations in support of U.S. Cyber Command. The establishment of Army Cyber Command brings a unity of effort and synchronization of Army Forces operations within the Army cyber domain, officials said.

“Today is a historic day for the Army, Department of Defense and the nation,” Hernandez said during the ceremony. “Today, Army Cyber Command assumes the cyber mission and brings unprecedented unity of effort and synchronization of all Army forces operating within cyberspace.”

Network Command/9th Signal Command and portions of the 1st Information Operations Command (Land) will be subordinate units to the new command. Additionally, the U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command will be under the operational control of Army Cyber Command for cyber-related actions.

In the heraldic tradition, every shoulder sleeve insignia symbolizes the organization's missions. The green pentagon border represents Army Forces Cyber Command's role as a land-based organization, while the inner white border signifies the containment of the threats against the cyberspace infrastructure. The design's black background represents the darkness of space, the unit's area of operations. The web or mesh design which surrounds the globe symbolizes “the shifting electronic energy of the cyberspace environment.”

The terrestrial globe has two meanings. First it indicates the global electronic reach of the command. Second, the division of the globe from light to dark signifies the command's 24/7/365 op tempo and the interaction of its cyber responsibilities. Three spears, at the forefront of the design, represent the three specific missions of computer network operations - attack, defend and exploit. The lightning bolt which crosses these spears illustrates the ability and swiftness to strike anywhere.