

DLA vice director, DDC deputy commander visit DDMA

Air Force Maj. Gen. Arthur B. Morrill, vice director, Defense Logistics Agency, visited the Defense Distribution Mapping Activity in Richmond, Va., July 25.

Morrill visited DDMA as part of a sweeping tour of activities in the Richmond area.

Accompanied by Defense Supply Center Richmond Commander Air Force Brig. Gen. Andrew Busch and Defense Distribution Center Deputy Commander Twila Gonzales, Senior Executive Service, Morrill received a walking tour of the facilities and met “Mapping Team” members from shipping and receiving, packing, selection, weigh and offer, and the classified processing center, or CPC.

Morrill spent much of the tour in the CPC as it is DLA’s largest classified repository with more than 16,000 different products.

DDMA’s CPC Supervisor, Eric Harcum proudly illustrated his future plans for continuous process improvements for Morrill.

“It is great to show the agency leadership how we do business,” Harcum said. “The CPC alone is responsible for more than 175,000 lines of work per year, and the Vice Director demonstrated a real interest in how we ship the war fighter classified products.”

Morrill was able to meet some of DDMA’s item management partners from DSCR’s Mapping Customer Operations, or MCO.

DDMA has the unique benefit of being located next door to their item managers. Navy Cmdr John Palmer, DDMA Commander, said the



Navy Cmdr. John Palmer, right, commander Defense Distribution Mapping Activity, discusses operations with Air Force Maj. Gen. Arthur B. Morrill, vice director, Defense Logistics Agency. Morrill visited DDMA July 25 to see how DDMA processes maps for the war fighters.

synergy between DDMA and MCO is a key enabler to the activity’s superb performance.

“We have DDC’s fifth largest annual workload at 1.2 million lines with a small team of just over 160 worldwide,” Palmer said. “Our job would be much more difficult were it not for the daily interaction we have with our item managers at DSCR. We’re glad to show the Vice Director this exceptional partnership and how we work together to form the best strategies for support of the war fighters from our facilities here in Richmond and our nine Map Support Offices around the world.”

As the Vice Director departed DDMA, he thanked the team for their service and encouraged them to “keep up the great work in support of our war fighters!”

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