

Japanese ministry of defense representatives visit DDDC

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During their recent visit to San Diego, Calif., representatives of the Japanese ministry of defense stopped by the Defense Distribution Depot San Diego, Calif., or DDDC, for an overview of distribution operations and to gain a better understanding of the mission, organization and logistical support system of a Defense Logistics Agency distribution facility.

After a short meet and greet with U.S. Navy Capt. Walt Jacunski, commander of DDDC, Lt. Cmdr. Brent Hull, DDDC's Military Liaison Officer, took the visitors on a walking tour of the facility and explained to them how DDDC receives, stores and issues material to its customers. During the tour the representatives saw four mechanized warehouse areas, the receiving, shipping and local delivery areas, and the Material Processing Center.

"The representatives were impressed with the size and height of DDDC's warehouses," Hull said.

Located on Naval Base San Diego, DDDC is one of the most mechanized centers in DLA. DDDC performs standard distribution

operations to include Emergency Support Operations Center, receipt, store, ship, and issue, with related functions to include transshipment, preservation, packaging, packing, and marking, L1/SS Program, Care of Stock in Storage, and reclassification. As a part of this mission, DDDC provides tailored distribution services through the Material Processing Center, which serves as a centralized receipt activity for afloat customers in the San Diego area.

Items processed at the distribution center include depot-level reparable

items, electronics, hazardous material, ship and aviation repair parts, small boats and amphibious craft. DDDC predominately handles Navy owned and managed material.

Among DDDC's primary customers are the home-ported ships in San Diego and the major shore commands representing all services, one of the Navy's largest repair facilities, Fleet Readiness Center Southwest, Southwest Regional Maintenance Center, and other smaller activities in the southwestern United States.



Representatives of the Japanese Ministry of Defense view distribution operations at Defense Distribution Depot San Diego, Calif.