

DEFENSE DISTRIBUTION DEPOT HILL, UTAH

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

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On August 13, 2001, Colonel David L. Dinning, United States Air Force (USAF), became Commander of Defense Distribution Depot Hill, Utah (DDHU) in an Assumption of Command Ceremony officiated by Ms. Phyllis C. Campbell, SES, Deputy Commander, Defense Distribution Center (DDC).

Colonel Dinning's previous assignments include: Commander, Chief of Supply, 437th Supply Squadron, Charleston Air Force Base, South Carolina; Chief, Air Force Defense Business Operations Fund (DBOF) Supply Operations, Headquarters Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, DC; Chief, Supply Division, Headquarters, Air Intelligence Agency, Kelly Air Force Base, Texas; Director, Aerospace Fuels Management Directorate, San Antonio Air Logistics Center, Kelly Air Force Base, Texas; and Commander, Air Force Petroleum Office, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center, Kelly Air Force Base, Texas.

Colonel Dinning's previous awards include the Meritorious Service Medal with six Oak Leaf Clusters; Air Force Commendation Medal; and Air Force Staff Supply Officer of the Year—1997.

DDHU is located at Hill AFB, Utah, which is also home to the Ogden Air Logistics Center (ALC). DDHU employees perform key distribution operations that support the maintenance functions performed by the Ogden Air Logistics Center. Primary distribution support to the Ogden ALC is provided for the Minuteman and Peacekeeper missiles; the F-16 Fighting Falcon, the C-130 Hercules; and Air Force-wide depot level overhaul and repair for all types of landing gear, wheels, brakes and tires.

Another major mission performed by DDHU is assembly of the Army's Deployable Medical Systems (DEPMEDS). These self contained, portable units are capable of being positioned quickly in an area of operations during war or a national emergency. The Hill Depot assembles, modifies, repairs, rebuilds, certifies and stores the modular units that can contain operating rooms, x-ray equipment, blood labs and pharmacies. DEPMEDS can range in size from a single unit general-purpose lab to a 1,000-bed hospital containing 12,000 line items.

Tent repair is another associated function that DDHU performs. DDHU employees reprogram microcircuit chips with new instructions for use on general and special purpose computers found in DoD weapons systems.



Phyllis C. Campbell, Deputy Commander, DDC, passes the flag of command to Col David L. Dinning, USAF.

MG Scott Bergren, USAF, Hill Air Force Base shaking hands with Col Dinning, USAF.

