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A team of medics comprised of U.S. Soldiers and Republic of Korea Air Force disengages s UH-60 Blackhawk where they just loaded their "patient" on the bird for medical evacuation during mass casualty training as part of the 6th Battalion, 52nd Air Defense Artillery Regiment and Republic of Korea Air Force 10th Fighter Wing Combined Base Defense Exercise held on Suwon Air Base, Feb. 18, 2016. (Photo by KATUSA Pfc. Yoseup Kim)



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A Message from the Command Team Col. Mark Holler and Command Sgt. Maj. Eric McCray



“Over the last several months, the Dragon Brigade has made tremendous strides towards strengthening our ballistic missile defense readiness on the peninsula while bolstering the capabilities of our ROK partners. In this issue of Dragon’s Digest, you will read about our brigade-wide ADX/CPX which brought Air Defenders from 2-1, 6-52, 1-43 and 5-52 ADA for a virtual BMD exercise set in the Korean Theater of Operations. You will see how Iron Horse recently incorporated CONUS based Patriot Minimum Engagement Package (MEP) assets from D Battery, 1-43 ADA and Short Range Air Defense (SHORAD) capabilities from E Battery, 6-52 ADA into their latest field training exercise. Additionally, we welcome a new member to the 35th ADA Brigade Command Team, Brigade Command Sgt. Maj. Eric McCray. Command Sgt. Maj. McCray and I are extremely proud of the contributions every member of the Dragon team has made during the last several months; your hard work does not go unnoticed and reflects your commitment to the high standards required to execute our critical mission in the Republic of Korea.

Keep up the good work as we head into the Spring and sustain our ‘Fight Tonight’ readiness.
Ready in Defense . . . Always!”

US Patriot Unit Deploys to South Korea

Story and photo by Capt. William Leasure, 35th ADA Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE, South Korea – A Patriot battery based at Fort Bliss, Texas deployed to the Republic of Korea as part of an exercise to demonstrate U.S. commitment to readiness in defense of the Korean Peninsula. Soldiers from Battery D, 1st Battalion, 43rd Air Defense Artillery (ADA) Regiment assigned to the 11th ADA Brigade arrived Feb. 8 with equipment to support the ballistic missile defense exercise.

The rapid deployment of operational assets validates the integration of capabilities the U.S. can deliver to the peninsula. The deployment marked the first time that a U.S. based Patriot unit has integrated its personnel and equipment to augment current ballistic missile defense (BMD) forces on the Korean Peninsula.

In a statement, U.S. Forces Korea said the mission is a sign of the commitment to working with South Korea to develop the Alliance’s comprehensive set of capabilities aimed at detecting, disrupting, and destroying North Korean missile threats.

Despite the long flight, the deployed Soldiers immediately began preparing their equipment to quickly ensure their unit became fully operational within the peninsula’s air and missile defense architecture.

“This deployment of (U.S.) based Patriot forces onto the Korean Peninsula highlights our ability to rapidly project additional Patriot BMD capability in order to deter and defend against the North Korean Theater ballistic missile threat,” said 35th ADA Brigade Commander, Col. Mark Holler.

Battery D, 1-43 ADA will continue to train with elements of the 35th ADA Brigade during upcoming battalion and brigade-level exercises before returning home.

“I am extremely proud of the Soldiers who made this mission so successful. This mission was truly a team effort between the 35th ADA Brigade, the 11th ADA Brigade and our Air Force Partners,” Holler said. “Through our joint efforts, we have taken ballistic missile defense readiness on the Korean Peninsula to new heights, which is a testament of our ironclad commitment to the defense of the Republic of Korea.”



Soldiers from Delta Battery, 1st Battalion, 43rd Artillery Regiment unload an AN/MPQ-65 Patriot radar set from a C-17 cargo plane at Osan Air Base, Feb. 8, as part of a rotational deployment. The rapid deployment of a Patriot to the ROK demonstrates the readiness and extensive capabilities of U.S. forces as well as its commitment to maintain stability and security on the peninsula. (U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt. Travis Edwards)

Dragon Brigade Welcomes New Enlisted Leader to Osan

Story and photo by Staff Sgt. Kelly Carlton, 35th ADA Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE, South Korea – The command sergeant major of 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Command Sgt. Maj. Jose Villarreal, handed off the brigade colors for the last time to the new command sergeant major, Command Sgt. Maj. Eric McCray, during a change of responsibility ceremony held in the Osan Air Base Enlisted Club, Jan. 27, 2016.

Villarreal has spent the last 25 months with 35th ADA Brigade as part of the command team with brigade commander Col. Mark Holler, and will be advancing to an operational leadership position with Eighth Army, located in Yongsan.

“This assignment requires you to be ready to fight every night and every day, at any time,” said Villarreal. “This assignment is like being in a big family and I have never been in any other assignment where the relationship between senior leaders has been so great.”

Villarreal offered a personal note of gratitude to Holler.

“To my boss, Col. Holler, you are my brother - we are Family. I have grown and learned a lot from you,” said Villarreal.

Holler spoke about many achievements the brigade earned while under Villarreal’s leadership and emphasized Villarreal’s dedication to Soldiers.

“No one is more dedicated to the mission, and the development of Soldiers and new leaders. He coached, mentored and most importantly, he empowered the junior noncommissioned officers to lead from the front, train hard, care for Soldiers and their families,” said Holler.

While receiving an award prior to the ceremony beginning, Villarreal addressed the Soldiers and Korean Augmentee to U.S. Army Soldiers surrounding him.

“As Gen. Milley said in his first letter to the force, ‘Our Soldiers are the crown jewels of our nation.’ You are the greatest Soldiers in our Army and this is the greatest brigade in the military,” said Villarreal. “To the KATUSAs of this brigade, thank you very much for your professionalism and your humble service to your nation.”

Holler addressed McCray as the new senior enlisted advisor and mentioned how they had served together earlier in their careers at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, which is also known as “the center of the universe.”

Keeping with tradition, McCray kept his introduction short. After thanking Holler for the privilege to serve together again, he made a huge commitment to Holler and the brigade.

“We’re going to make this the new center of the universe,” said McCray.



Command Sgt. Maj. Jose Villarreal, departing command sergeant major for 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, hands off the brigade colors to Col. Mark Holler, commander, 35th ADA Brigade, during the “passing of the colors” portion of a change of responsibility ceremony held in the Osan Air Base Enlisted Club, Jan. 27, 2016. Waiting to receive the colors is Command Sgt. Maj. Eric McCray, the new senior enlisted advisor to the brigade.

Dragon Soldiers and ROKAF Combine Forces for Base Defense Exercise

Story by Staff Sgt. Kelly Carlton
35th ADA Public Affairs



OSAN AIR BASE, South Korea – Soldiers with 6th Battalion, 52nd Air Defense Artillery Regiment, were joined by a medical element from the Republic of Korea Air Force 10th Fighter Wing, during a Combined Base Defense Exercise held on Suwon Air Base, Feb. 18, 2016.

The 6-52 ADA is forward-stationed alongside the ROK Air Force on Suwon Air Base. The training focused on essential skills like responding to a mass casualty event and medical evacuation with a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter.

“The ROK-US combined base defense exercise was intended to coordinate the efforts and capabilities of all personnel into a unified response against enemy activity that threaten the security and defense of Suwon Air Base,” Maj. Emerito Tiotuico, operations office, 6-52 ADA said.

Capt. Hyun Yi, physician assistant, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 6-52 ADA, evaluated his medics during the training event.

“Part of the training consisted of a mass-casualty event with eight patients where the medics had to respond to and treat their injuries. They then had to determine which patients needed to be medically evacuated,” Yi said.

The MEDEVAC training was supported by a medical flight crew with 3rd General Support Aviation Regiment, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, headquartered at U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys.

“In the past we have attempted to have the MEDEVAC helicop-

ter on site but due to weather or other unforeseen issues, this is the first time my medics have actually been able to train with the bird,” Yi said. “Most of my medics are right out of advanced individual training and have never trained on a bird so this is a very good opportunity for them.”

A seasoned combat medic, Spc. Heather Holman with HHB, 6-52 ADA, participated in the training.

“My previous assignment was on an airfield so I have been able to do this kind of training many times,” Holman said. “We all see our trucks every day but we don’t get to see helicopters very often. I love training with the helicopter because it’s something different.”

The combined training was a new experience for the medics fresh out of AIT.

“The training was great and I was very happy to train with the ROK Air Force - they are very professional,” Pfc. Jever Lopez, combat medic, HHB, 6-52 ADA said. “I learned things from them and they learned things from me. Overall, we learned how to load our patients into a UH-60 Black Hawk. We accomplished the mission and made sure the patients were safe.”

Even with her combat medical experience in Afghanistan, Holman said this was her first opportunity to train with another country’s military.

“Working the ROK airmen was awesome. The language barrier made it a little difficult but we had our translator with us,” Holman said. “We got to train them how our equipment works because they don’t have the same equipment as us.”

Tiotuico summed up the day of training and the value added for the efforts spent.

“In today’s training, personnel from 6-52 ADA and 10th FW ROKAF rehearsed our wartime force protection measures, lifesaving medical practices and reporting procedures, maintaining our combined readiness,” he said.

Avengers and Patriots Partner for Air Defense exercise

Story and photos by Capt. William Leasure, 35th ADA Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE, South Korea -- Soldiers assigned to E Battery, 6th Battalion, 52nd Air Defense Artillery Regiment deployed with their assigned air defense systems across the Korean Peninsula to support 6-52 ADA's recent battalion field training exercise, Feb. 8-19, 2016.

Typically, when a battery deploys to support a battalion exercise, it's business as usual but this deployment is unique. E Battery, 6-52 ADA is not your typical air defense unit.

The Soldiers of E Battery, employ the Avenger Missile System and Sentinel Radar, a short range air defense system designed to detect and intercept low-altitude enemy aircraft.

While the rest of 6-52 ADA utilizes the Patriot Missile System in the course of their ballistic missile defense mission at Osan and Suwon Air Bases; E Battery, 6-52 ADA is headquartered at Camp Casey and attached to 210th Fires Brigade.

Maj. Emerito Tiotuico, 6-52 ADA's operations officer, helped coordinate this multi-layered air defense training exercise.

"The Avenger and Sentinel integration provided an opportunity to train as a composite battalion, delivering both high and low altitude air and missile defense of critical assets," Tiotuico said.

"Our goal for the exercise is to provide a common operating picture by integrating the Sentinel sensor into the battalion's network and establishing a command and control process to counter low altitude threats."

Upon arriving at Osan Air Base, the Soldiers of E Battery, 6-52 ADA found themselves training on a bluff overlooking the airfield. Many of the Soldiers had never trained on their wartime mission before.

"This was the first time we have been able to dedicate two solid weeks to training on our mission," 2nd Lt. Jonathan Day, platoon leader with E Battery, 6-52 ADA said. "While our platoon has grown more cohesive during this exercise, we have also been able to simulate the defense of critical assets at multiple locations."

With their Avenger Missile System and Sentinel Radars emplaced, Soldiers trained under the watchful eyes of their noncommissioned officers.

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Pvt. Imaris Suarez stands atop a AN/TWQ-1 Avenger Missile System during a readiness drill at Osan Air Base, South Korea, Feb. 16, 2016. Suarez, an air defense battle management system operator assigned to E Battery, 6th Battalion, 52nd Air Defense Artillery Regiment from Ware, Mass., is learning how Patriot and Avenger systems work to provide layered air and missile defense on the Korean peninsula.

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"This field training exercise actually gets our Soldiers into a full hands-on training scenario and they are seeing all systems in operation plus connecting with other military occupational specialties," Sgt. Elijah Walker, a radio operator/maintainer, said. "We are short range air defenders connecting with Patriot operators and getting a lot of good cross training which is something we don't really get in advanced individual training."

During training, the turret of an Avenger Missile System swiveled as Soldiers offered encouragement and shared knowledge many of them had only recently learned at AIT.

"This is the first time in my career I have ever conducted training like this," Pfc. Eli Schaap, an air and missile defense crew member from Holland, Michigan, said. "I'm really getting a chance these two weeks to see how Patriot fills the gap in air defense between the Avenger System."

As the Avenger postured to engage enemy aircraft, the Sentinel Radar System scanned the surrounding air space for the telltale signs of aircraft called "tracks."

"This training exercise has been intense," Pvt. Drake Horton, an air defense battle management system operator from Germantown, Maryland, said. "I've learned how to turn "tracks" into enemy or friendly aircraft and, although the training has been tough, it has really prepared me for my wartime mission."

The Soldiers' readiness was facilitated by their unit leadership's commitment to preparation.

"We conducted deep maintenance on our equipment leading up to this exercise," Day said. "We focused on getting the crew drills right from missile and machine gun reloads, to leader development sessions run by experienced NCOs. Our Soldiers came prepared to execute this mission."

The Soldiers of E Battery will follow up this training exercise with an Avenger live fire exercise in late March at Chulmae Live Fire Complex near Daecheon Beach.

Pfc. Eli Schaap and Pvt. Imaris Suarez, air defense battle management system operators assigned to E Battery, 6th Battalion, 52nd Air Defense Artillery Regiment, emplace an Avenger Missile System during a readiness exercise at Osan Air Base, Feb. 16, 2016. The Soldiers are part of an layered air defense exercise teaming Avenger short-range missile defense technology with Patriot ballistic missile defense capabilities.



Team Osan Honors Life of MLK

Story and photo by Staff Sgt. Kelly Carlton, 35th ADA Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE, South Korea - Airmen and Soldiers from the 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade participated in a play hosted by 51st Fighter Wing to commemorate Martin Luther King, Jr., Day, Jan. 14, 2016, at the Osan Air Base Theater.

"This play is about his life from start to finish, a brief little story for the holiday on Monday," said Warrant Officer 1 George King, human resources technician, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 35th ADA Brigade, who played the lead role. "I think it's important that we always remember his story and keep it alive every year when his birthday comes around."

The holiday to honor Dr. King was signed into law by President Ronald Reagan in 1983 and is celebrated annually on the third Monday of January.



During a play based on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life held at Osan Air Base, Jan. 14, 2016, Warrant Officer 1 George King, human resources technician, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, portrays Dr. King in a scene depicting "Letter from Birmingham Jail."

all different races and allows opportunity for things such as this play," said King. "The military allows us to come together and spread history regardless of your background."

King said he has felt the legacy of Dr. King throughout his life.

"Growing up I always heard the story of his legacy and life. I feel that it had a lot to do with the opportunities I was able to have growing up as an African-American," said King. "I am 29 years old, so it wasn't that far off when I was a child realizing many of the things he fought for came to fruition. I definitely benefitted from the life he chose to live."

The cast members served cake and refreshments in the front lobby of the theater at the conclusion of the play while discussing the importance of the MLK observance.

As Dr. King's story played out on stage, Soldiers reflected on the opportunities that exist in today's military resulting from the work of civil rights activists.

"It feels really good to be in the Army which is a melting pot. We're trying to be as one and take race out of the equation by judging one another based on our character and willingness to work," said Pfc. Jario Monasterio, wheeled vehicle mechanic, HHB, 35th ADA Brigade. "It makes me feel really good to be part of an organization like the Army because of this." Monasterio played a bus passenger who confronted Rosa Parks for refusing to give up her seat on the bus due to her race.

King contributed to the discussion by commenting on the Army's commitment to equality and educating Soldiers about the civil rights movement.

"It's great to be part of an organization like the Army that accepts the history of

Senior NCO overcomes medical setback to lead Soldiers

Story and photo by Staff Sgt. Heather A. Denby
35th ADA Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE, South Korea -- At 44 years old, 1st Sgt. Jon Otis has served in the U.S. Army for half of his life. Otis' years of service as an infantryman, and later as an air defender, at numerous assignments across the U.S., not to mention five separate combat deployments, have worn wrinkles mirroring the many emotions he has worn on his face.

"I grew up in an Army where profiles were pretty much looked down upon and I would say I probably didn't have much compassion for Soldiers who had profiles because our leadership influenced us to just push through it," said Otis, senior enlisted advisor for Battery A, 6th Battalion 52nd Air Defense Regiment, 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade.

"I had been on profile two times in my 20-year career and they were both for rolled ankles during basketball games," he said.

Otis' mindset was forever changed after a series of life-altering events.

"One morning, I woke up with a pain in my leg," he said. "But it was a Wednesday and we had a long weekend coming up so I figured I could recover, put some ice on it and be ready for work on Monday."

By Sunday night, Otis' right leg had become dark red and swollen to twice its normal size.

"He stopped by the office, as many leaders do, to have a medic give the minimum medical treatment that allows them to drive on with their mission," said Maj. David Grant, former 35th ADA brigade surgeon. "But for Otis, that type of care just wasn't an option."

Grant sent Otis to the hospital for further examination.

Otis' physician told him that it might have been a blood clot, but by the end of the week he had severe infections in both legs.

"It became three times worse than it had started out to be," said Otis. "My legs were paralyzed and I had excruciating pain surging throughout my body."

Doctors told Otis he had reactive arthritis and ordered him to remain in bed for as long as possible.

Behind closed doors, leaders spoke with his doctors about shipping Otis out of Korea and to a Warrior Transition Unit for possible medical separation.



First Sgt. Jon Otis discusses his battery's table VIII certifications with 1st Lt. Nicholas Grace, fire control platoon leader, at Seosan Air Base, South Korea, Dec. 10, 2015. Otis recently overcame a major infection which nearly jeopardized his military career to become a 1st Sgt. with Alpha Battery, 6th Battalion, 52nd Air Defense Artillery Regiment headquartered at Suwon Air Base, South Korea.

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Otis, who was a sergeant first class at the time, had other plans.

"I needed to be eligible for promotion; I needed to pass an Army Physical Fitness Test so I set my goal and that's what I did," Otis said.

Doctors were not confident that Otis could make a full recovery and certainly not within the six months he would need to in order to be eligible for the centralized master sergeant board that would convene in January.

But Otis' chain of command supported his decision to remain in Korea, contribute to the air defense community and ultimately, overcome his disability.

"I love Korea for a lot of reasons but most importantly, I like the fact that there is no sense of entitlement here," he said. "Everyone works; everyone earns their keep, and that's exactly what I intend to do."

For the next three months, Otis remained bed-ridden but determined to contribute to his unit.

The 35th ADA Brigade's Operations Sergeant Major, Sgt. Maj. Michael Arnold recounts his first meeting with Otis upon hitting the ground in Osan.

"When I arrived in Korea, I was met by the Brigade Operations Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, 1st Sgt. Otis. He was utilizing a walker and could barely move around due to his illness," Arnold said. "But, from the first time I met 1st Sgt. Otis, I knew this NCO was the real deal. 1st Sgt. Otis truly demonstrated the Army values of selfless service, personal courage, loyalty, and duty."

Through physical therapy and determination, Otis progressed from his bed to a wheelchair.

"I was improving little by little but the whole process was overwhelming," Otis said.

Otis' marriage was also failing and he had less than three months to get out of his wheelchair and onto the PT track.

"I had incredible support from my chain of command, from my battle buddies and from the spouses within the unit," said Otis. "Going to a WTU in the States wouldn't have motivated me to overcome my physical limitations the same way my peers motivated me to get back in the fight."

Otis said that the Warrior Ethos' mantra of "I will never quit," coupled with the overwhelming support from his battle buddies, kept him focused on meeting his goals.

In six months, Otis improved from being bed ridden, to using a wheel chair, to utilizing a walker, then crutches, a cane, and finally to taking and passing an APFT.

"This whole ordeal has taught me so much," 1st Sgt. Jon Otis

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"The brigade was critically short on ADA master sergeants," said Command Sgt. Maj. Jose Villarreal, 35th ADA senior enlisted advisor. "When the list came out and Otis was selected, we knew we wanted him to lead our Soldiers."

"He had proven his work ethic before his setback and then he went on to lead by example through his resilient recovery," said Villarreal.

Otis was pinned and then frocked by his command.

"This whole ordeal has taught me so much," said Otis. "I learned the validity of a medical profile, the necessity of a functioning reconditioning program, and a real sense of empathy for my Soldiers when they too encounter an injury."

Otis said that he continues to feel pain as a result of his illness, but that it won't stop him from continuing to serve.

"Compassion of my leadership is what got me where I am today and I plan to give it all that I have as long as I am here," he said.

Former 35th ADA Brigade spouse reigns as Osan's Military Spouse of the Year

Story by Staff Sgt. Kelly Carlton
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OSAN AIR BASE, South Korea – The Army is filled with programs designed to benefit its service members and help military families. Once in a while, this benefit comes in the form of a smiling, thoughtful military spouse who transforms lives and lifts spirits. Guadalupe Villarreal is that kind of person.

Villarreal was notified Jan. 9, 2016, regarding her selection as the 2015 Armed Forces Insurance Spouse of the Year for Osan Air Base. After serving Soldiers and their families for 25 years, Villarreal was now getting some much-deserved recognition.

"My father always told me to help those in need and others will help you," Villarreal said. "He said to always improve yourself and assist others."

Guadalupe, known as Lupe by her friends, is a well-known face in Area III where she is employed as a health promotions officer for Eighth Army. Her dear friend, Melissa Kuhlman, whom Villarreal was stationed with at Fort Bliss, Texas, submitted the nomination for the competition.

"We were stationed at Fort Bliss together in 2012-2013, and during our time at the unit, I observed Lupe serving her family, the Army, the Family Readiness Group, the unit, the El Paso community and wounded veterans all while working full-time," said Kuhlman.

After being notified of Kuhlman's submission, Villarreal's next step was to provide a bio and short video clip introducing herself to the selection board.



Guadalupe and husband, Command Sgt. Maj. Jose Villarreal, command sergeant major for 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, pose for a photo during the 2014 Peninsula Missile Defender of the Year Banquet held at Dragon Hill Lodge in U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan, Nov. 21, 2014. Guadalupe has been a military spouse for 25 years and was nominated by as Armed Forces Insurance's Military Spouse of the Year for the Osan Air Base 2015. (U.S. Army Photo by Staff Sgt. Heather Denby, 35th ADA Brigade Public Affairs)

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"Now that I reflect on the process, it was basically like selling yourself," Villarreal said. "I ended up taking some stuff off because it looked too much like a resume."

In her description of herself, Villarreal wrote about her accomplishments over her lengthy career as a military spouse but her demeanor changed when she talks about what she deems her biggest contribution.

"I am most proud of founding the El Paso Chapter for the National Association of Professional Women," she said. "For 15 months, I provided guest speakers for the ladies on a monthly basis covering professional topics like marketing, running their own business and equal employment opportunities."

Villarreal said the group of women was a varied group.

"During my tenure with NAPW as the chapter president, I led, mentored and motivated other professional women, to include military spouses, female service members and professional women who worked in the local community. It was about helping them reach their professional goals," she said.

Villarreal's sense of self-improvement is remarkable considering she came to the United States in 1990 speaking no English and now holds a master's degree in business.

"She learned English, earned her bachelor's and her master's degree all while serving as an Army wife," said Kuhlman. "One example I witnessed was Lupe encouraging a new military spouse to pursue getting her GED despite the cost, and encouraging her to not stop there but to continue getting her education. She is an example to so many spouses."

Kuhlman is proud of Villarreal and the way she lives her life.

"I nominated Lupe for the military spouse of the year because I know wherever the Army sends her family, she will be an encouraging leader, who invests the time in mentoring new Army spouses. She is an example for so many to live a life of selfless service," said Kuhlman.

Military life has its ups and downs, which is no different for Villarreal, who said about seven years ago, during a normal marital squabble, she had one of those "aha" moments about her life.

"My husband and I were arguing. I told him that sometime his Soldiers were more important than me," Villarreal recalled. "He told me it was true, and said, 'You are important to them because they fight for your freedom,' and said for that reason he had to make them his priority."

Her realization was that as a military spouse she belonged to something much bigger than herself.

"It is about the organization my husband represents - the Soldiers and their families," Villarreal said.

Since the announcement, Villarreal and her husband, Command Sgt. Maj. Jose Villarreal, have relocated to Eighth Army headquarters based in U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan, where she no doubt will continue her service of leading and helping others.

"There is no dull moment in my life. I am always working, helping and learning. My best reward is to empower others," she said.

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