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### **Thanksgiving Holiday Safety Message**

Thanksgiving marks the beginning of the holiday season when we celebrate with Family and friends. CSM Franco and I know there are many in our formation who are far from home for the first time, and others who've unfortunately been away too many times. Being away from Family is never easy, especially during the holidays. We want you to know the Warrior Family is here for you during this time. We encourage everyone to join in and share a Thanksgiving meal with our ROK counterparts and their Families.

Thanksgiving is derived from the basic premise of celebrating the bounty of hard work prior to the onset of winter. You have much to be proud of this year, from supporting the Korean's efforts to fight the March wildfires, to successfully conducting the largest combined joint live fire since the Division became combined.

CSM Franco and I challenge all first-line leaders to make a difference by discussing with their Soldiers and civilians the hazards they will face while conducting activities in the days leading up to and over the holiday weekend. Warriors, be responsible with alcohol consumption, treat each other with respect and dignity, prevent sexual assaults, and combat indiscipline. Remember to conduct proper risk management, use the buddy system, enforce barracks policies and procedures, empower CQs to make the hard call, and ensure leaders are vigilant and engaged!

Warrior Family, we are proud to be on your team. Your sacrifices, and the sacrifices of your Families are truly appreciated and recognized.

From our Family to yours, Happy Thanksgiving and thank you for what you do!

#### Second To None!



KENNETH R. FRANCO CSM, U.S. Army Division CSM



DAVID A. LESPERANCE Major General, U.S. Army Commanding General











## ON THE SIRIES



**Pfc. Oh, Sung Dae** Yangcheon-gu Admin Clerk Headquarters Battery, 6-37th Field Artillery Battalion

"I am thankful that I am healthy enough to serve in the ROKA as a KATUSA. It has been an extremely rewarding experience and I am grateful for the friendships I am making with the U.S Soldiers."

**Pfc. Brittany Becerra** Crete, Nebraska MLRS Crewmember Able Battery, 2-18th Field Artillery Battalion

"I'm thankful for the beautiful weather. It's awesome to experience all four seasons here, and I have enjoyed meeting new people everyday."



## What are you thankful for in Korea?

Pfc. Demarco Saph Port Huron, Michigan Water Purification Specialist 580th Forward Support Company

"It's always been a dream of mine to visit Korea, so I am grateful for the opportunity to be stationed here. I've enjoyed experiencing a different culture and being out of my comfort zone."





Pfc. Woo Hyeon Gangdong-gu ROKA Support Office Headquarters Battery, 70th Brigade Support Battalion

"I am thankful that my Family members are happy and healthy. We recently went on an amazing trip to Gapyeong with all my grandparents. We camped out and had delicious barbeque."



Col. Chad Roehrman, commander of the 2-2 Infantry Division 'Lancer Brigade', 2nd Infantry/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, unfurls his unit colors at Hovey Gym, Camp Hovey, Republic of Korea, during a Transfer of Authority Ceremony on November 9, 2022. The Lancer Brigade is the first Stryker unit to join the ninemonth long Korea Rotational Force. (U.S. Army Photo by Sgt. Jerod Hathaway)



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AMP HOVEY, Republic of Korea - The 2-2 Infantry Division 'Lancer Brigade', 2nd Infantry/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, unfurled its unit colors at Hovey Gym, November 9, 2022, signifying the official transfer of authority from the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team 'Ready First Brigade', 1st Armored Division.

The 2-2 ID, hailing from Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, will be the first Stryker unit to join the nine-month long Korea Rotational Force. This transition provides additional capability and flexibility to respond to aggression and upholds the ROK-U.S. Alliance responsibilities. With the transfer of authority complete, the Ready First Brigade is scheduled to return to Fort Bliss, Texas.

The Lancer Brigade traces its lineage to the Republic of Korea, where it spent years strengthening the ironclad Alliance, an alliance dating back to 1953.

The battalions also share storied history on the Korean peninsula. Units fought in well-known battles such as Chipyong-ni, Heartbreak Ridge, and the Chosin Reservoir, earning a combined total of 30 campaign streamers.



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"We fought together during the Korean War, trained together in the Brigade's more recent history, and we are honored to be able to train once again with our ROK Army partners," said Col. Chad Roehrman, commander of the 2-2 Infantry Division.

Among the distinguished guests and visitors attending the ceremony was Lt. Gen. John R. Wood (Ret.), a former commander of the 2nd Infantry Division. Maj. Gen. David Lesperance, commander of the 2nd Infantry Division/RUCD, presided over the ceremony.

Maj. Gen. Lesperance thanked the Ready First Brigade for their contributions during their rotation and offered some advice to the Lancer Brigade for the months ahead.

"I challenge you to exceed the achievements of the eleven rotations so far, and to seek out new solutions to educate, train, inspire, and lead Lancer to maintain readiness in defense of the ROK-U.S. Alliance," said Lesperance. "We may face an uncertain future, but one thing you can always count on is the strength and resilience of the greatest alliance on the planet."

By Sgt. Jerod Hathaway 2-2 SBCT Public Affairs



Col. Chad Roehrman, the commander of the 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team 'Lancer Brigade', 2nd Infantry Division, speaks with Lt. Gen. John R. Wood (Ret.), a previous commander of the 2nd Infantry Division at Hovey Gym, Camp Hovey, Republic of Korea after a Transfer of Authority Ceremony on November 9, 2022. The Lancer Brigade is the first Stryker unit to join the nine-month long Korea Rotational Force. (U.S. Army Photo by Sgt. Jerod Hathaway)

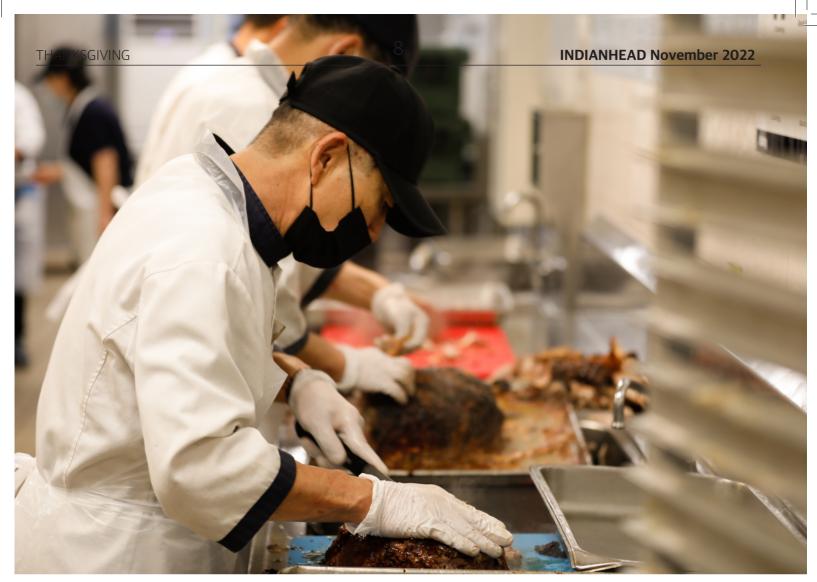
















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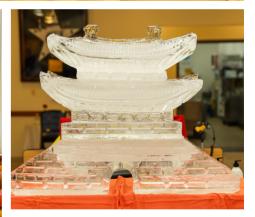
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### Sgt. 1st Class Hollis Hall 2CAB

"No matter where we are around the world, we as food service managers, along with the command teams, help show and care for the Soldiers who are away from their immediate families. We sit down and break bread together and have a nice Thanksgiving."

### Sgt. 1st Class Christon Cenizal, 2DSB

"To see all the people here at Provider Grill, to see them line up in the cold and be ready for this meal, it's pleasant to know you're doing a job that people appreciate."







Master Sgt. Toby Maritita, 2-2 Infantry Division "I've been doing this for 18 years, so it's great to see the Soldiers creativity come out, and it also gives them an opportunity to showcase their skills in the kitchen. People don't understand the hours they put in. They work hard, and this is the time we want to give thanks."

Sgt. 1st Class Jordan Mendiola
"It's an exciting feeling to serve Soldiers
on Thanksgiving Day. It's an Army tradition dating back to the Revolutionary
War, when we come together, give
thanks and enjoy a good meal."









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