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MEDIA ADVISORY Alaska National Guard

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Commander of Alaska Army National Guard will be promoted to general officer

JOINT BASE ELMENDORF-RICHARDSON, Alaska — The Alaska Army National Guard will host a promotion ceremony here Wednesday, Sept. 21 at 3 p.m. for Col. Joseph Streff, commander of the Alaska Army National Guard. He will be promoted to the rank of brigadier general.

Streff began his 29-year career with the Alaska Army National Guard, when he enlisted as an air traffic controller in 1987. He graduated flight school for the UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter in 1990 and was appointed a warrant officer, attending Officer Candidate School the same year and earning a commission as a second lieutenant. As the commander, he ensures the training and equipping of approximately 1,800 Alaska citizen Soldiers here and at readiness centers across the state.

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Details:

What: Promotion ceremony, commander of the AKARNG commander

When: **Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2016 at 3 p.m.**

Where: Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson, Alaska National Guard Armory

Note: Media interested in attending the ceremony must call Lt. Col. Candis Olmstead's direct line at *907-428-6030* to RSVP *no later than noon Wednesday, Sept. 21*. **Please leave a message** with name, affiliation, and cell number. Plan to meet at the Richardson gate visitor's center at 2:20 p.m. on Wednesday for escort to the event.