



## LTC James Lippstreu, USA DDDK Commander

A native of LaCrosse, Wisconsin, Lippstreu, was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Wisconsin Army National Guard in 1984. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, in 1986 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science. He earned his Masters of Science Degree in Logistics Management from the Florida Institute of Technology in 1997. He is a graduate of the Infantry Officer Basic Course, Airborne School, the Ordnance Officer Advance Course, the Combined Arms Service Staff School, and the Command and General Staff College.

Lippstreu's most recent assignment was as an Inspector General at the Department of Army Inspector General Agency. Previous key assignments include, Platoon Leader, 32nd Engineer Company, 32nd Separate Infantry Brigade, Wisconsin Army National Guard; Executive Officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, Camp Hovey, Korea; Platoon Leader, 52nd Infantry Regiment, Fort Irwin, California; Company Commander, E Company, 724th Main Support Battalion, 24th Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia; Assistant G3 Operations Officer and Support Operations Plans Officer, 19th Theater Area Army Command, Daegu, Korea; Support Operations Officer, 20th Area Support Group, Daegu, Korea; and Chief, Ordnance Title XI Evaluator, Fort Lee, Virginia.

Lippstreu's awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Army Achievement Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Expert Infantry Badge and the Parachutist Badge.

# Defense Distribution Depot Korea Becomes DDC's 26th Distribution Facility

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In a ceremony conducted on January 28, 2005, at Camp Carroll, Korea, the Defense Distribution Center (DDC) activated its 26th distribution facility – Defense Distribution Depot Korea (DDDK). DDC Commander, BG Mike Lally, USA, officiated.

DDDK is the latest result of DDC's forward stocking initiative to improve support to the Warfighter, and was established based on a support request from the U.S. Army 19th Theater Support Command. In June 2004, a memorandum of agreement was signed between the United States Forces Korea, Installation Management Agency Korea Office, Civilian Human Resource Agency-Korea Region, and DDC for the establishment of DDDK using existing facilities at Camp Carroll.

DDDK's primary mission is to provide distribution services to the U.S. Forces located on the Korean peninsula.

DDDK's footprint consists of a 177,000 square foot facility costing \$3.6 million dollars to renovate and houses two warehouses re-designed by DLA and DDC engineers to maximize space and efficiency. "Phase one of DDDK's opening includes its stand-up and activation to provide initial capability. Later this year, a second phase will enhance the facility's capabilities to match the standards of DDC's other distribution facilities operating around the world," said BG Lally.

During the activation ceremony, LTC James E. Lippstreu, USA, was charged with the responsibility of command of DDDK. Lippstreu affirmed his commitment to command DDDK. "General Lally, in

accepting command, I take full responsibility in providing United States Forces Korea the best distribution network, and I look forward to the many challenges and rewards."

Lippstreu, who will be leading a team of U.S. Government, Korean Nationals, and Korean Service Corps Personnel, also addressed his new workforce. "I'm dedicated to providing you the best work environment that can be offered. I look forward to working with you as we develop our team."

Lippstreu's assignment as commander of DDDK will be his fourth tour in Korea.



*BG Lally passes the organization colors to LTC Lippstreu.*



*BG Lally and LTC Lippstreu salute during the playing of the national anthem during the ceremony.*