

**A New Provision Authorizes Compensatory Time Off for Travel**

The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) recently issued interim regulations implementing a new form of compensatory time off for time spent by an employee in a travel status away from the employee's official duty station when such time is not otherwise compensable.

The effective date implementing the new form of compensatory time off for time in a travel status is January 28, 2005. To assist agencies in implementing and administering this new provision, the OPM has provided federal agencies Questions and Answers and some examples which illustrate how much compensatory time off an employee is entitled to earn for time spent in a travel status.

For further guidance and information please contact your supervisor.

**DLA and DDC Host Partnering Conference**

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Earlier this year, DLA and the Defense Distribution Center (DDC) hosted a Partnering Conference for General Officer level discussion on the development of an integrated, joint, expeditionary, end-to-end, theater sustainment and distribution concept of operation and to assess the supply chain partners' current and planned capabilities.



*DDC Commander BG Mike Lally, USA, briefs the group on the status of current joint efforts.*

During the meeting, attendees from DLA, DDC, Army Materiel Command (AMC), Army G-4, Combined Arms Support Command (CASCOM), and Surface Deployment and

Distribution Command (SDDC), were provided a DLA and DDC overview highlighting the mission and support to today's Warfighters. Other presentations and discussions included Forward Stocking initiatives, European Command Regional Distribution Center, Theater Distribution Center Operations in Southwest Asia, and DLA Deployable Depot and Afloat concepts.

MG Brian Geehan, USA, Chief of Army Transportation and Commanding General Ft. Eustis, provided an overview of CASCOM's new Theater Sustainment Command doctrine and a summary of the CSS Concept of Support Rock Drill

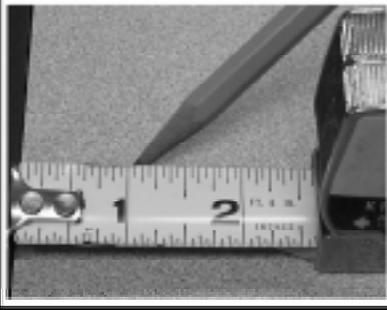
conducted on January 12, 2005, at Fort Lee, VA. The focal point of CASCOM's new doctrine is the Theater Sustainment Command structure and its relationship to national level and joint logistics organizations such as DLA. Using MG Geehan's discussion on CASCOM's CSS Concept of Support as a backdrop, the DDC Strategic Plans Office demonstrated how DLA/DDC capabilities and initiatives support the full spectrum of military operations.

A Key Conference Outcome: DLA and DDC will continue to partner with AMC, Army G-4, CASCOM, and SDDC in order to further develop and refine theater level support concepts and to ensure all participating partners are afforded the opportunity to fully integrate and leverage capabilities under consideration.

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