

U.S. Congressman Jerry McNerney visits DDJC



U.S. Congressman Jerry McNerney of California's 11th Congressional District, center, visited Defense Distribution Depot San Joaquin, Calif., earlier this year. Also on the tour were Erich Phueler, district director, far left, and DDJC Commander Army Col. Doug Serrano, right. The Congressman was impressed was of the enormity of the operation and how DDJC quietly goes about the business of supporting the war fighter.

State Rep Perry visits DDC

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Pennsylvania Rep Scott Perry, 92nd District, visited the Defense Distribution Center earlier this year to learn more about how DDC serves the war fighter.

After receiving an overview, he toured DDC's largest distribution operation, the Eastern Distribution Center, part of the Defense Distribution Depot Susquehanna, Pa.

"The breadth of the operation is impressive," Perry said of DDC's work. "As a member of the Armed Forces myself, I'm glad to know we are so well supported."

Perry is also a Lieutenant Colonel in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard.



Pennsylvania state representative Scott Perry, left, tours the "Walk-and-Pick" area of the Eastern Distribution Center with DDSP Commander Navy Capt. Jim Naber, right.

DDSI exchanges courtesies with local marina militare

Navy Supply Corps Cmdr. Mark E. Semmler, Commander, Defense Distribution Depot Sigonella, Italy

A contingent of the Defense Distribution Depot Sigonella, Italy, staff accepted an invitation from the senior logistician of the Marina Militare di Catania, Italy, or Capo Servizio Amm Logistico June 5 to visit the base, tour the facilities, and meet with the base Comandante.

It started when Italian Master Chief Mario Mirabella of the base logistics department felt a need to link up with his counterparts in Sigonella. Having recently reported aboard the installation, following his position as a customer service agent for arriving ships, he did what came naturally and went out to meet his service provider. His initiative set off a chain of events that led to a friendly personnel exchange, which included DDSI's commander, trans-shipment, and inventory personnel to share ideas and experience the intricacies of an Italian Navy Base.

DDSI accomplishes distribution activities throughout the Mediterranean and Africa for all services, even local national military activities. Aided



Cmdr. Mark Semmler, left, presents DDSI coins and ballcaps to incoming Base Supply Officer Cmdr. Giovanni Di Guardo, center, and outgoing Base Supply Officer Cmdr. Fiorgio Sabella.