



ARMY FOREIGN LIAISON NEWSLETTER



For Members of the Washington Corps of Military Attachés

Summer 2013

From the Director:

Dear Members of the Washington Corps of Military Attachés,

Summer officially began on 21 June! Prepare for the hot, humid days ahead that are typical of a summer in Washington, DC.

Summer always brings changes, both in the Military Attaché Corps and in Headquarters, Department of the Army. This newsletter highlights some of the key movements. We do bid farewell to Major General Leslie Purser and her husband, Joe. General Purser has been active in the Attaché community, escorting Orientation Trips and attending scores of receptions. The FL team wishes them all the best as she moves on. Her farewell message to the Attaché Corps is below. There have also been a few changes in the WAMA leadership. There is a new Vice Dean, three new Regional Directors, and a new Treasurer. Those changes are also spelled out below.

At the excellent WAMA Lunch hosted by the Embassy of Thailand in June, I mentioned that sequestration would begin to impact us in FL. That time has come. There is an article later in the newsletter that discusses this in greater detail, but beginning next week, the FL office will only be open four days a week – Mondays through Thursdays. All of our civilian employees will be off on Fridays. Please plan accordingly.

All of us in FL hope that you and your families have the opportunity to take some time off during the summer and can travel around America. It is easy to get locked “inside the beltway” here in the DC area. While DC and the surrounding area have their charms, America has a lot more to offer and you can’t begin to understand America until you see more of it.

Sincerely,

Joseph K. Smith
Colonel, United States Army
Director, Foreign Liaison

Upcoming Events:

4 Jul: National Holiday - Independence Day
15-19 Jul: USMA Orientation Trip
7 Aug: International Military Student Reception
20 Aug: International Military Student Reception

7 Sep: WAMA Welcome Day
TBD Sep/Oct: Fall Attaché Reception
2 Sep: National Holiday - Labor Day
18 Sep: International Military Student Reception



WAMA DEAN'S CORNER

Greetings to my Fellow Attachés,

As we all look forward to the onset of the Washington summer I hope you are all well. This always seems to be a very busy period of the year and it has been enjoyable to regularly meet up with you all at the various events hosted throughout the Washington area.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who were able to join us at the Canadian Embassy for the WAMA Spring Dinner. For those who weren't so able then I can tell you that you missed an extraordinary night of the finest food and the most amazing and talented young musicians that I have ever seen. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Major General Nicolas Matern, the Canadian Defence Attaché, for once again allowing us the privilege of conducting this event in the beautiful surroundings of the Canadian Embassy. I would also like to thank the organizers, headed up by Lieutenant Colonel's Crawford and McAdam, for putting together a first class night.

The WAMA family also enjoyed a wonderful luncheon courtesy of Senior Colonel Saranyu Viriyavejakul at the Royal Thai Embassy on Wisconsin Avenue. The setting was truly amazing and the food was superb. Our guest speaker, Mr Garcia, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Intergovernmental Relations, gave us an interesting and topical presentation, and I would like to thank him once again for his presence and contribution. None of this would have been possible without the hard work of Lieutenant Colonel Yamashita, our superb Luncheon Organizer.

I hope you are all looking forward to this summer period. For those that travel on the Army Foreign Liaison trip to West Point and the surrounding region, I trust you will have an enjoyable and interesting event and I very much look forward to hearing about it upon your return. Sadly, due to other commitments, I will not be able to join you.

Some dates for your diary:

- Saturday, 7 September 2013 will be the WAMA Welcome Day, where we will gather and say hello to all the new arrivals who have joined us over the summer. The details have been circulated but if you missed the e-mail or need additional details please contact Lieutenant Colonel Offerman at the German Embassy.
- Although it is many months away, I would like to highlight our Winter Ball on Friday, 6 December. Please note this in your diaries now – I hope we can have the best turn out ever this year!

Thank you all for your ongoing support. I look forward to seeing you soon – if I do not I wish you an enjoyable summer wherever your travels may take you.

Brigadier General Harald Goellinger
Dean
Washington Corps of Military Attachés and
Washington Association of Military Attachés

Important Announcements

Sequestration and Furloughs:

As you are all well aware, the Department of Defense has decided that most civilian employees will be furloughed for 11 days this Fiscal Year in order to meet a portion of the savings needed to meet Sequestration budget requirements. That means that civilian employees will not be paid for those furlough days. This will, of course have an effect on Foreign Liaison and the support that we provide.

Army Foreign Liaison has two military officers and ten Army civilian positions (two of which are currently vacant). All of the FL civilian positions are subject to the furlough. Beginning on Friday, 12 July and ending on 20 September, all FL civilian employees will be off on Fridays. For all practical purposes, that means that FL will be open for business Monday through Thursday through 20 September. Please plan accordingly. Although Colonel Smith and Lieutenant Colonel Anderson will man the office on Fridays, there may be times when no one is actually in the office and they will not be able to do certain things. Neither of them can sign ID card forms or Pentagon Pass forms, for example.

All attachés and support staff need to be aware that the law which governs furlough days prohibits employees from doing any work while furloughed. Please understand that, if you call one of us at home or on our personal cell phones on a furlough day, we will NOT be able to help you. That is not a personal choice, it is the law.

All of us in Army Foreign Liaison are committed to giving the Attaché Corps prompt, professional service. Unfortunately, we will only be able to do that Monday through Thursday beginning next week.

There will be other services curtailed at the Pentagon as well. There are likely to be longer waits for security checks at the Metro Entrance, for example. Please see the attached Pentagon Building Circular ("Impacts of Furlough on Pentagon Service") for more details.

Military Attaché Corps Leadership:

MG Jorge Vega of Argentina replaced MG Braga Netto of Brazil as the Regional Director for the Americas and as Vice Dean.

Brigadier General Henry Mukuka of Zambia is replacing Brigadier General George Amamoo of Ghana as the Regional Director for Africa.

Brigadier Ashok Dhingra of India replaced Brigadier General Abdul Moeen as Regional Director for Asia.

Colonel Jorge Correia da Silva of Portugal replaced Colonel Miguel Conde Lopez as Regional Director for Western Europe.

Lieutenant Colonel Pat McAdam from Canada departed. His replacement, LTC Ken Butterworth will replace him on the Executive Committee as Treasurer.

Current Leadership:

Dean: BG Harald Goellinger, Austria
Vice Dean: MG Jorge Vega, Argentina

Regional Directors:

Africa:	BG Henry Mukuka, Zambia
Americas:	MG Jorge Vega, Argentina
Asia-Pacific:	BRIG Ashok Dhingra, India
Central/Eastern Europe:	COL Nikola Bozic, Serbia
Middle East/North Africa:	MG Aisha Bint Al Hussein, Jordan
Western Europe:	COL Jorge Correia da Silva, Portugal

Executive Committee:

Executive & Membership Secretary; Winter Ball Organizer:	COL Richard Smith, United Kingdom
Spring Dinner Organizer:	LTC Rob Crawford, Australia
Treasurer:	LTC Ken Butterworth, Canada
Welcome Day Organizer:	LTC Eric Offermann, Germany
Luncheon Organizer:	LTC Kaname Yamashita, Japan
Member:	LTC Mohammed Dahees, Egypt

Foreign Liaison Personnel Changes:

Major Mike Cushwa, Chief of Attaché Coordination, departed for his new assignment at U.S. European Command in Stuttgart, Germany.

FL welcomed Lieutenant Colonel Reed Anderson, who replaces MAJ Cushwa as Chief of Attaché Coordination. Reed was actually assigned to FL last year, but was deployed to Afghanistan.

HQDA Personnel Changes:

Lieutenant General William Troy, Director of the Army Staff, departs in mid July for retirement.

Lieutenant General William T. Grisoli, Director of the Office of Business Transformation, Office of the Under Secretary of the Army replaces Lieutenant General Troy as Director of the Army Staff, Office of the Chief of Staff, United States Army.

Major General Leslie A. Purser, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2, departs the Army G-2 as of 5 July for her new assignment as Commanding General, 108th Training Command, Charlotte, North Carolina. (See her farewell message later in this newsletter.)

Brigadier General Robert Walter, currently serving as Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command, replaces Major General Purser as Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2.

Other Army Leadership Changes of Interest:

Major General Michael S. Linnington, most recently Commanding General, United States Army Military District of Washington/Commander, Joint Force Headquarters-National Capital Region, has been nominated for appointment to the rank of lieutenant general and assignment as Military Deputy to the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness.

Major General Jeffrey S. Buchanan, Deputy Commanding General, I Corps and Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington replaces Major General Linnington as Commanding General, United States Army Military District of Washington/Commander, Joint Force Headquarters-National Capital Region.

A Farewell Message from MG Purser:

Dear Members of the Washington Corps of Military Attachés

As my time as the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2, draws to a close, I wanted to say farewell and thank you for your friendship and professionalism. It has been my honor and privilege to serve with you and I truly wish I had an opportunity to thank each and every one of you individually, but unfortunately that is not the case. As I said in the Information Brief, the opportunity to work with you has been the highlight of this assignment and I am comforted to know that we are serving side by side against a common enemy.

Your role here is vitally important to the G2 and to the United States Army and I am extremely proud of the relationships that we have built together. You have formed a vibrant and productive association with diverse ideas, fostering an atmosphere that benefits everyone involved. You should never underestimate the importance of what you do as it relates to not only military-to-military relationships, but also in encouraging all other forms of diplomacy.

Of the many shared events, I was fortunate to serve as the senior representative for three foreign attaché trips. Accompanying you and your spouses to various American cultural sites and military installations is a memory I will always treasure. As you all know and experience, transition is a part of military life, and while I take those fond memories with me, I leave this well honed team in the highly capable hands of Brigadier General Robert Walter, the incoming Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2. He stands ready to continue the great work and collaboration we have built over the last two years.

Thank you for your camaraderie and professionalism, but also for the goodwill with which you have performed your duty. You should be very proud of what you have achieved here. I wish each of you continued success in everything that you do, and thank you for making my time in the G-2 so enjoyable and memorable.

Sincerely,

MG Leslie Purser

Attaché Coordination:

Summer Greetings from Attaché Coordination!



Dear Colleagues,

Summer is upon us, and with it comes the heat and humidity for which Washington D.C. is famous; and it seems thus far for this summer a fair bit of rain. Jackie, Robin and I send you pleasant summer greetings, and hope that you and your families are able to enjoy the local attractions and summer activities that the area has to offer, as well as enjoy the many opportunities to explore the other areas of the country.

We were saddened to have to cancel the Spring Orientation Trip due to the challenges associated with sequestration. We were, however, fortunate to secure funding to conduct and expand the Summer Orientation Trip, the plans for which Ms. Sofia Stasishyn (Army Foreign Liaison Protocol) and I are now busy finalizing. We extended this trip from our typical 3-day summer trip to a 5-day summer trip. This has allowed us to add stops in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, in addition to those of West Point and Washington's Crossing. We are already planning the Fall Orientation Trip to the Southwestern United States (Arizona and Texas), which should include stops at the Grand Canyon, Phoenix, Fort Huachuca (Military Intelligence Center of Excellence), and Fort Bliss (home of the 1st Armored Division). I hope many of you and your spouses will be able to join us.

Once again, Happy Summer to all of you, and we look forward to working with you in the coming months.

R. Reed Anderson
Lieutenant Colonel, United States Army
Chief, Attaché Coordination Division

Attaché Arrivals and Departures:

Arrivals:

Brazil – MG Luiz Cyrillo

Gabon – CAPT Jean-Laurent Okeley

El Salvador- LTC Luis Revollo

Israel – COL Yuval Rozenburg

Laos - Major Soulivahn Inthavone

South Africa - Colonel Themba Baloyi

Russia - Lieutenant Colonel Vladimir Kolchanov

Uganda - Brigadier Emmanuel Nyamunwanisia

Departures:

Albania – LCDR Everest Haxhi

Laos – Lieutenant Colonel Bounmyvieng Viengnhouthasat

Bosnia & Herzegovina – LTC Bozo Skoplajkovic

Philippines - Brigadier General Cesar Yano

Botswana – COL Conrad Isaacs

Poland - Major General Andrzej Falkowski

Brazil – LTG Walter Souza Braga Netto

Tanzania - Brigadier General Emmanuel Maganga

Canada – LTC Patrick Mc Adam

Guatemala- BG Odber Argueta

Ukraine - Colonel Andriy Yakovkiev

Military Attaché Orientation Program Notes:

Attaché Information Briefings:

We had a great pair of briefings on Tuesday, 11 June. Lieutenant General William J. Troy, Director of the Army Staff, presented a very informative brief on key issues of relevance to today's Army. Colonel Mike Richardson, Executive Strategy Group, Office of the Vice-Director of the Army Staff, discussed the recently-published 2013 Army Posture Statement. Thank you to all who attended. Please continue to provide your suggestions and requests for information briefing topics to LTC Reed Anderson and we will do our best to accommodate your interests and concerns. Our next information briefings will be on 8 October and 10 December at the Pentagon Library and Conference Center.

Attaché Orientation Trips:

As previously noted, we are busy finalizing our summer trip to the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY. We have an exciting trip prepared which will include a visit to the field to watch cadet summer training, as well as witnessing the USMA Change of Command. We will also take in some historic sites of the American Revolution near Princeton and Trenton, NJ. In addition to West Point, we extended the trip to include visits with the Pennsylvania National Guard at Fort Indiantown Gap, PA; the U.S. Army Research Development and Engineering Center at Picatinny Arsenal, NJ; and the Princeton University Army Reserve Officer Training Corps detachment. Thank you to all those who are participating in what will undoubtedly be a productive and fun trip.

For our fall trip, we plan to visit the Southwest United States with stops at Grand Canyon National Park, Phoenix, AZ to visit the Arizona National Guard and an Army Reserve unit; Ft. Huachuca, AZ to visit the U.S. Army Military Intelligence Center of Excellence; and Ft. Bliss, TX to visit the 1st Armored Division, U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy, and the Brigade Modernization Command.

From Army Foreign Disclosure:

In accordance with the Military Attaché Guide (Administrative Guidance), all Requests for Visit Authorization (RVA) must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the start date of the visit. This affords the hosting U.S. Army Command the professional courtesy and necessary time to properly prepare for the visit and any related actions. While the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2, has historically been very lenient on the enforcement of this requirement, it can no longer accommodate the high number of short-fused RVAs.

Effective immediately, the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2, will no longer process RVAs submitted less than ten working days (14 calendar days) prior to the requested start date of the visit. Visits submitted less than ten working days (14 calendar days) will be immediately returned without action.

The only two exceptions to the 10 working day suspense requirement are:

-- Visits to the Army Secretariat and Army Staff;

-- Visits deemed mission essential or time sensitive by the U.S. Army. In order for you to be able to utilize this exception, a DA organization must have submitted a request for waiver to the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2, on your behalf.

Processing of One-time and Extended Visit Requests:

Please note that the online computer-based Foreign Visit System (FVS Embassy) remains the preferred method to submit visit requests. For additional information concerning FVS Embassy please contact the DoD FVS Office at 571-372-7623 or by email at DTSASPANSupport@dtsa.mil. Please also note that official visit requests must be sent to Foreign Disclosure, not to Foreign Liaison. Every country has a primary and an alternate Foreign Disclosure Desk Officer whom they are encouraged to contact with any questions on submitting Foreign Visit Request as well as Requests for Information. Please see the Desk Officer listing included with the enclosures to identify your Desk Officer.

One-time Visit Requests:

All One-time visit requests must be submitted to Foreign Disclosure not later than 30 days before the requested visit start date. RVAs submitted less than ten working days (14 calendar days) will be immediately returned without action unless one of the two exceptions mentioned above apply.

Extended Visit Requests:

All Extended Visit Requests must be submitted 90 days prior to the requested visit start date. The Extended Visitor's Photograph and Biography must also be submitted concurrently not later than 90 days prior to the requested extended visit start date. Extended Visit Requests received less than 90 days in advance or without the required Photograph and Biography may be returned to the Defense Attache Office without action. Photographs and Biographies must be sent to:

usarmy.pentagon.hqda-dcs-g-2.mbx.dami-cd-guardian@mail.mil

When submitting Extended Visit Requests, please include the following information in the Case Details: the name of the incumbent officer and the type of position the new officer will fill (Military Personnel Exchange Program Officer, Cooperative Personnel Program Officer, Foreign Liaison Officer, or Engineer and Scientist Exchange Program Officer). Sponsored accompanying family member information must be included in the Embassy Remarks section of the Extended Visit Request and must include: the family member's full name, passport number, gender, birth date, country of citizenship and relationship to the sponsor. **If the Extended Visit Request does not contain the information on any dependents, they will not be authorized a DoD Identification Card until an amended request is submitted.**

These important administrative requirements provide the hosting U.S. Army Command with key information necessary to prepare for and properly support the extended visitor and the extended visitor's accompanying family members. Extended Visit Requests submitted without this key information may be returned to the Defense Attaché Office without action.

Requests for Information:

To avoid processing delays when submitting Requests for Information (RFI), please ensure the request is sent to the RFI inbox, usarmy.pentagon.hqda-dcs-g-2.mbx.dami-cd-foreign-disclo@mail.mil and not to Foreign Liaison. If you have any questions, call your Foreign Disclosure (DAMI-CDS) Desk Officer. They are all listed in the roster attached to this newsletter and are prepared to assist you in your submittals.

Benefits of Using the Online Computer-Based Foreign Visit System

The online computer-based Foreign Visit System (FVS Embassy) remains the preferred method to submit visit requests. Use of the system not only expedites request processing time, it also provides a means of checking a visit's status and confirming receipt of submitted visit requests. Embassies currently faxing or emailing their visit requests to Foreign Disclosure are encouraged to consider installing and using the computer-based FVS Embassy. FVS Embassy and instructional training is available at no cost to your embassy. The only requirement for using this system is Microsoft Internet Explorer 7.0 or higher. If interested, please contact your Desk Officer or the DoD FVS Office at 571-372-7623 or by email at DTSASPANSupport@dtsa.mil.

Recurring Administrative Notes and Reminders

Office Calls and Other Meetings with the G-2:

Army Foreign Liaison is the point of contact to arrange any office calls or other meetings with the G-2 or any of the senior leaders within the G-2. Please do not contact the G-2 front office directly as this will only slow down your request when the front office personnel refer you back to Foreign Liaison. If a Military Attaché wants to meet with any G-2 senior leader, please contact the Director, Deputy Director or Chief of Coordination Division. If you want to arrange for a delegation to meet with anyone in G-2, please contact Foreign Liaison Operations Division. If you are not sure whom to contact, just call any one of us and we will get you on the right track.

Attaché Biographic Data Form:

The Attaché Coordination Division asks that you make use of the Biographic Information Form (Annex A-2 in the Attaché Guide) for accreditation and submit the completed form electronically to jacqueline.m.green.civ@mail.mil or robin.a.proudie.civ@mail.mil. You may also send a paper copy via the diplomatic courier facility. Submit it along with the other documents which are listed at: <http://www.dami.army.pentagon.mil/offices/AttacheGuide.aspx>

Military Attaché Guide:

The December 2012 issue is the most recently published Social Directory. We will publish a new one after the summer changeover. As you may well imagine, the information in the Social Directory is constantly changing due to changes in the Attaché Corps, so please continue to keep us informed of changes as they happen. Please send any updates to robin.a.proudie.civ@mail.mil (for countries from A-K) or to jacqueline.m.green.civ@mail.mil (for countries from L-Z). We plan on publishing an update in the fall.

Changes to Identification Card Application:

The old form DD Form 1172 used to obtain military identification cards has been replaced by DD Form 1172-2. If you have a current ID card, you DO NOT need to fill out this new form. It is only for new applications and renewals. The current version, along with detailed instructions, can be found on the Army Foreign Liaison website here: <http://www.dami.army.pentagon.mil/offices/AttacheGuide.aspx>. If you or your staffs have any questions on how to complete the form for incoming or new personnel, please contact Ms. Jackie Green at (703) 692-1469 or Ms. Robin Proudie at (703) 692-1465.

Military Personnel Exchange Program (MPEP) Nominations:

Nomination of exchange officers is a separate process which must be completed 90-180 days before expected arrival and before submitting the Extended Visit Request (EVR).

Submit MPEP nominations to U.S. Army International Affairs (MPEP Branch) 90-180 days before expected arrival of exchange officer. Nominations should include: U.S. MPEP #, host U.S. unit, military biography with photograph and expected arrival date.

MPEP Branch will process all nominations in less than 30 days. To streamline the process, you may consider your nominee accepted if you receive no response after 30 days.

MPEP Branch Points of Contact for nominations or questions:

- John C. Wirick, Branch Chief, 703-692-8218, john.c.wirick.civ@mail.mil
- Charles N. Roster, 703-692-8218, charles.n.roster.civ@mail.mil

Protocol:

Ms. Sofia Stasishyn and Ms. Abbey Landry are ready to help you. Please direct any invitations, correspondence, or protocol questions to the FL Protocol e-mail: hqda-dcs-g-2.mbx.fl-protocol@mail.mil

You can contact Sofia directly at: sofia.stasishyn.civ@mail.mil or 703-692-1459. You can contact

Abbey at: abbey.l.landry.civ@mail.mil or 703-692-1457.

Invitations:

General Guidelines:

Please direct any questions that you may have regarding protocol or invitations to the Army Foreign Liaison Protocol Section. We ask that you follow these guidelines concerning official social invitations extended to U.S. Army personnel:

- Please deliver invitations to Army Foreign Liaison at least 15 calendar days in advance of the event for the best U.S. Army representation.
- All invitations for Headquarters, Department of the Army personnel for official social occasions in the greater Washington, DC, area must be sent through Army Foreign Liaison. This enables Army Foreign Liaison to help you achieve your desired attendance. We ensure invitations are delivered promptly and monitor responses.
- To request the most current U.S. Army Foreign Liaison "A" List prior to sending your invitations, you may contact the Foreign Liaison Protocol Section at 703-692-1457 or 703-692-1459, or email your request to sofia.stasishyn.civ@mail.mil or abbey.l.landry.civ@mail.mil.

Hard Copy or Paper Invitations:

- **PLEASE, DO NOT MAIL INVITATIONS.** Deliver invitations directly to Foreign Liaison Protocol Section in Room 2E424, or to us through the Department of Defense (DoD) Diplomatic Courier located in the Pentagon Remote Delivery Facility (RDF) between 1000-1100 hours, Monday through Friday, except U.S. holidays. Please note that each invitation must reflect complete TO and FROM addresses.
- Invitations extended to U.S. Army general officers and U.S. Army civilian employees of similar rank should be accompanied by a list of all U.S. Service invitees.
- When sending invitations to a number of people for a single event, we recommend you email a scanned or electronic version of the invitation, along with a complete list of invitees, to Foreign Liaison Protocol at usarmy.pentagon.hqda-dcs-g-2.mbx.fl-protocol@mail.mil, or fax a complete list of invitees to Foreign Liaison Protocol at 703-697-8412.

Email Invitations:

The use of e-vites is very practical, but we must issue the following guidelines to any embassies using these e-mail based invitations.

If you send invitations directly by e-mail to Headquarters, Department of the Army personnel, please also e-mail a list of all invitees to the event to usarmy.pentagon.hqda-dcs-g-2.mbx.fl-protocol@mail.mil

Please do not e-mail invites directly to the senior Army leadership. By that, we mean, the Secretary of the Army, the Chief of Staff of the Army, the Under Secretary of the Army, the Vice Chief of Staff of the Army, and the Director of the Army Staff. If you wish to invite those individuals, let FL Protocol know and we will deliver the invitations. Army officials expect invitations to be routed through Army Foreign Liaison. If an invitation is sent directly to a senior leader's office, they return it to Foreign Liaison for proper routing anyway. Therefore, the most efficient delivery method is to deliver your US Army invitations to the Foreign Liaison Protocol Officers by email, courier or fax.

Dress:

Prescribing dress in invitations can be confusing, especially for military uniforms. For the next few years, it will be even more confusing as the Army phases out the Army Green Uniform and transitions to the new Army Service Uniform, which will, for the most part, mirror the current Army Dress Blue Uniform. During this transition period, Army personnel may wear either the Army Green Uniform or the Army Blue Uniform as the Class "A" uniform. We emphasize that you at the foreign embassies should not have to guess which uniform is appropriate for U.S. Army personnel. Please use one of the standard categories of dress: formal (rarely used), semi-formal, informal, casual or very casual. Based on that guidance, Army personnel will know the correct uniform to wear. If you want all attendees in civilian dress, please make that clear.

The most confusing category of civilian dress is "casual," and its various versions, such as "business casual" or "smart casual." The category can include everything from jacket and tie to a polo shirt and slacks. To reduce confusion, you should always explain what you mean by "casual" when it is on an invitation.

The following chart illustrates the civilian and equivalent military standards of dress. Note that as the Army phases in the Army Service Uniform and phases out the Green Uniform, the pre-and post-1800 distinction will disappear.

Category of Dress	Civilian Attire	U.S. Army Uniform
Formal	White Tie	Army Mess Dress Uniform
Semi-Formal	Tuxedo (Black Tie)	Army Mess Dress, Dress Blue with Black Bow Tie, or Army Service Uniform (Blue) with Black Bow Tie
Informal	Business Suit	Before 1800: Army Service Uniform (Blue) or Army Green Uniform After 1800: Army Service Uniform or Dress Blue with Four-in-Hand Tie
Casual	Sports Jacket with or without Tie (Invitation should stipulate this)	Army Class B Uniform (either Army Service Uniform or Army Green) Note: This is rarely used, and is limited to certain events, usually during hot weather.
Very Casual	Shirt and Slacks with or without Jacket. (If more casual attire is desired, such as for a barbecue, the invitation should stipulate this)	None

Contact Telephone Numbers / Address for Foreign Liaison: The U.S. Army Foreign Liaison Office is a part of the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2. The correct mailing address and primary phone numbers are:

Mailing address:

Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2
Army Foreign Liaison (DAMI-FL)
1000 Army Pentagon
Washington DC, 20310-1000

Reminder: Please try to deliver all correspondence using the diplomatic courier!

Primary phone numbers:

Director: 703-692-1467
Deputy Director: 703-692-1462
Protocol: 692-1457/1459
Attaché Coordination: 703-692-7753/1469/1465
Operations: 703-692-1464/1458/1455
FAX: 703-697-2887 or 697-8412

A copy of this newsletter, less enclosures, has been posted to the Foreign Liaison website at:
<http://www.dami.army.pentagon.mil/offices/DAMIFL.aspx>. Click on the tab "Summer 2013 Newsletter."

Enclosures:

This newsletter contains the following enclosures:

Foreign Military Attaché Roster

Foreign Military Attaché E-mail Roster

Army Foreign Liaison Directorate Listing (DAMI-FL)

Army International Affairs Division Country Desk Assignments (DAMO-SSR)

Security Cooperation Integration Directorate Listing (SAAL-NI)

Army Foreign Disclosure Division Regional Desk Officers (DAMI-CDS)

U.S. Army Foreign Liaison "A" Guest List dated 14 March 2013

Pentagon Parking Facilities Map

Attaché Program Planning Calendar for Calendar Year 2013

Impacts of Furlough on Pentagon Service