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To the Men and Women of Air Mobility Command:

Twelve years ago a new era in air power began when elements of the former Military Airlift Command and the Strategic Air Command were combined to form the Air Mobility Command. On June 1, 1992, this new command was charged with centrally scheduling and executing airlift and air refueling missions.

Today, as the air component of U.S. Transportation Command, the men and women of AMC accomplish Herculean tasks unrivaled by any force in history. Simply stated – AMC PROVIDES AMERICA'S GLOBAL REACH!

Since our nation was attacked 33 months ago AMC has: flown 31,000 missions; moved more than 1.5 million troops; delivered almost one million tons of cargo; caringly air evacuated our wounded and serviced more than 12,000 refueling receivers.

Never missing a beat, AMC executed the first major change in the Air Force's organizational structure in more than a decade. Last October the 18th Air Force was reactivated to lead the command's global airlift, air refueling and aeromedical evacuation operations. At the same time AMC's two numbered air forces were redesignated as expeditionary mobility task forces.

Take pride in your accomplishments. I am proud of them - and you - everyday, and I am humbled to serve as your commander.


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