

# K-GRAM #13

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It is summertime, and the livin' is easy ...

This iteration of my K-Gram series begins with two extremely important and timely topics: (1) the future of the CTM rating within the Reserve Component, and (2) the current information on Fleet Cyber Command.

## **CTM RATING DIS-ESTABLISHMENT WITHIN THE RC**

Telling personnel that their professional trademark is going away is always a tough thing to do. But here is the latest skinny:

- The CTM rating in the Reserve Component will be disestablished on 30SEP10;
- Those CTM's (E-6 and below) having less than 15 years of service from pay entry base date (PEBD) are strongly urged to change ratings now;
- Those CTM's with over 15 years who are not yet eligible for retirement, will be able to remain in pay until eligible for retirement, unless HYT comes into play beforehand; a transition plan will be forthcoming; and,
- Those CTM's with 20 or more good years who are eligible for retirement may either retire or transfer to the VTU beginning 01OCT10.

More work still needs to be completed with a formal Navy Enlisted Occupational Classification System ("NEOCS") package to make this occur in a legal manner. The NEOCS package will deal with the forced conversion for E-6 and below CTM's having less than 15 years of service, as well as non-pay status for those eligible for retirement who have time remaining on their contracts/EOS. Also, the so-called "Bottom-up-Review" may still identify a role for the RC CTM rating.

## **FLEET CYBER COMMAND / COMMANDER TENTH FLEET**

The word from the SECDEF and the CNO is that there will be a stand up of Fleet Cyber Command along with a resurrection of the Navy's Tenth Fleet. Our RC units are well positioned to serve NETWARCOM with its Space Cadre and NETOPS elements, while the Cryptology/SIGINT, IO, and NCDOD elements will fit separately under the OPCON of FLTCYBERCOM/10<sup>th</sup> Fleet. Much more additional work and information will have to be accomplished in the next few weeks and months. Do not believe rumors. The NNWG senior leadership is engaged and will put out the word at the appropriate time.

## COMMANDER'S VISITS

My June travels took me to RTC Great Lakes where I was able to serve as reviewing officer for enlisted boot camp graduation. By the way, my great nephew made it and has just completed his formal Master-At-Arms training in San Antonio, TX. His first real duty station is scheduled for Bremerton, WA. The following week I went back to visit **CDR C. J. Smith** and his NR NIOC Great Lakes, IL unit. My July trips had me flying to NCTAMS San Diego for a quarterly meeting of the NNFE ESG, visiting **CDR Reggie King** and his unit at NR NIOC Minneapolis, MN, then to NR NIOC Camp Parks, CA, and finally on to an Executive Workforce meeting and unit visit with **CDR Archer** at NR NIOC Ft. Dix, NJ. I was also able to tour one of the Army's mobilization training centers while at Ft. Dix --- that body armor sure weighs a lot; the helmet fits snugly and all of it is hotter than Hades when you have to wear it in 90 degree heat! Please understand, last weekend's New Jersey heat was nothing when compared to what our Sailors have been and are experiencing in the Middle East.

Speaking of my trip to NR NIOC Camp Parks, CA. **CDR Menezes** is the CO --- last year I visited the NR NIOC Ogden, UT during the same timeframe when she was the Skipper there as well. Two flag visits within a twelve month period. How lucky can one person get?

The remainder of FY09 will take me to the NNWG's Prospective Senior Enlisted Leadership course at Corry Station in Pensacola. My next assignment will be a week at the RC and AC flag conferences in Annapolis, MD, and finally a couple of speaking engagements at the National Cryptologic Veterans Association and its RC affiliate in Portland, OR.

## FINAL WORD

**CDR Sheila McMahon**, Deputy Domain SIGINT Domain Director, is a new Mom. She recently gave birth to a baby girl, Tara. Well done and congratulations!

**Our 32 NNWG Chief Selects for FY10!**

### Reserve Component

CTNC(sel) Albert Ball - NR NIOC Medina  
CTNC(sel) Christopher Brown - NR NIOC Ft Meade  
CTNC(sel) Christopher Spencer - NR NIOC Greensboro  
CTNC(sel) Eric Rinderer - NR NIOC St Louis  
CTNC(sel) Richard Noble - NR NIOC Camp Parks  
CTNC(sel) Richard Little - NR NIOC Ft Worth  
CTRC(sel) Amy Edwards - NR NIOC Norfolk  
CTRC(sel) Craig Bailey - NR NIOC Washington  
CTRC(sel) Derek Barnett - NR NIOC St Louis  
CTRC(sel) Douglas Keown - NR NIOC Orlando

CTRC(sel) James Long - NR NIOC Ft Gordon  
CTRC(sel) Juan Reyes - NR NIOC Medina  
CTRC(sel) Patrick Colburn - NR NIOC Minneapolis  
CTRC(sel) Stephen Rosehill - NR NIOC Camp Parks  
CTRC(sel) Valerie Kemp - NR NIOC Medina  
CTRC(sel) William Silverthorn - NR NIOC North Island  
CTTC(sel) Keith McDougal - NR CARSTKGRU 5  
CTTC(sel) Michael Williams - NR NIOC Orlando  
CTTC(sel) Seth Schleef - NR NIOC Minneapolis  
CTTC(sel) Christopher Hasenfus - NR NIOC Norfolk  
FCC(sel) Adam Cejka - NR STRATCOM 0188  
ISC(sel) Rashaan Wigfall - NR NIOC Norfolk  
ITC(sel) Edgar Borja - NR SPAWAR 0766  
ITC(sel) Gabriel Brooks - NR NCTP San Pedro  
ITC(sel) Janet Downey - NNWC Net Engineering  
ITC(sel) John Cook - NR NCTAMS LANT Raleigh  
ITC(sel) Sandra Ratliff - NR NCTP San Diego  
ITC(sel) Willie Oliver - NR NCTAMS LANT Jacksonville  
OSC(sel) Jeremy Miller - NR SPAWAR 788  
SKC(sel) Scott Reighard - NR NSF Sugar Grove  
YNC(sel) Jacqueline Polanco - NR NIOC Orlando

Active Component

CTRC(sel) Traci Robinson, NIOS, NR NIOC Minneapolis

**Final word:** The NNWG has had an increasing number of its personnel being selected for mobilizations to IRAQ and Afghanistan. As of 31JUL09, we are at 152. Give them all the support you can muster and keep them all in your prayers.

That is all for now. TFK BT K