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## DEFENSE DISTRIBUTION DEPOT GUAM, MARIANAS ACTIVATION CEREMONY

**GUAM, MARIANAS** – Defense Distribution Center, New Cumberland, Pennsylvania will activate Defense Distribution Depot Guam, Marianas (DDGM), its 25th distribution site, on Friday, October 1, 2004 at 9:00 a.m. in a ceremony at Defense Distribution Depot Guam, Marianas, U.S. Naval Forces Marianas, Polaris Point Officer's Club. Officiating at the ceremony will be Colonel Michael J. Lally, United States Army, Commander, Defense Distribution Center, New Cumberland, Pennsylvania.

DDGM joins 24 other DDC distribution sites located throughout the world and is established to provide forward stock positioning support and enhanced physical distribution services to the Armed Forces located in Guam.

Collocated with the U.S. Naval Forces Marianas, DDGM's primary customers will include Navy land-based commands in Guam, Navy ships homeported in Guam, Air Force customers at Anderson Air Force Base, Guam, as well as, other DoD activities located in Guam.

Cmdr. William C. Nash, SC, USN, will assume command of DDGM during the ceremony. Nash was born and raised in Indianapolis, Indiana. He is a 1983 Graduate of Hanover College, Hanover, Indiana, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration. He was commissioned in 1988 at Officer Candidate School (OCS) in Newport, Rhode Island. He earned a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree from Brenau University, Gainesville, Georgia, a Master of Science degree in Transportation and Logistics Management from the Naval Post Graduate School, Monterey, California, and a Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island.

Following commissioning at OCS, Commander Nash attended the Navy Supply Corps School (NSCS) in Athens, Georgia. His initial tour of duty was Supply Officer on board the nuclear powered fast attack submarine USS ALBUQUERQUE (SSN-706). His next assignment was Instructor, Navy Supply Corps School, Athens, Georgia.

Other fleet and shore assignments included a tour as the Stock Control Officer on USNS SPICA (T-AFS 9), Guam; Student, Naval Post Graduate School, Monterey, California; Air Logistics Officer, Commander, Logistics Forces US Naval Central Command (COMLOGFORNAVCENT)/Commander, Task Force 53 (CTF-53), Bahrain; and a Joint tour at the United States Transportation Command (USTRANSCOM) J5 Strategy and Policy Division, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. From USTRANSCOM Commander Nash attended the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island.

Commander Nash's awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal. He is also a qualified Submarine Supply Corps Officer.

*Defense Distribution Center, New Cumberland, Penn., is the Defense Logistics Agency's Lead Center for Distribution. DLA provides supply support and technical and logistics services to the military services and to several civilian agencies. Headquartered at Fort Belvoir, Va., DLA is the one source for nearly every consumable item, whether for combat readiness, emergency preparedness or day-to-day operations.*

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