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MEMORANDUM FOR INCOMING PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: Battalion Commander Welcome

1. Welcome to the 442nd Signal Battalion family. My staff, instructors and cadre hope you are enthusiastic about your upcoming assignment whether it be as an Instructor or a student in this institutional education or Professional Military Education (PME). I know you will benefit from your time and experiences here at the Cyber Center of Excellence (CCoE). This is an excellent time to reflect on past experiences, enjoy family, network with new and old comrades, and learn new skills or hone existing skill sets essential for your career.
2. Your future role in the Operational Force will remain broad. Leadership will depend on your talents, education, training, and experiences to enable mission command. Commanders will require sound advice on enabling and managing technologies to operate, maintain, and defend vital systems and networks, thus allowing our forces cross-domain freedom of action across all physical domains. Commanders will require you to provide timely and relevant solutions. 442d Signal Battalion's training environment will develop and hone your tactical and technical proficiency as a Signal Leader; thus, returning to the Force with relevant technical skills, certifications and knowledge.
3. To prepare you for these responsibilities, you will attend various leader development and/or technical courses aimed at providing a rigorous and challenging training and education experience. During your time here you will receive instruction across the realm of Network Operations (NETOPS) – Information Dissemination Management/ Content Staging (IDM/CS), Information Assurance / Computer Network Defense (IA/CND), Network Management/Enterprise Systems Management (NM/ESM), and Professional Leadership (PL). I am confident you will find these courses challenging and professionally rewarding. Prior to arriving at Fort Gordon, I encourage you to look at Army e-learning through AKO at <https://usarmy.skillport.com/> and the Signal Center's distance learning (dL) tool - LandWarNet at <https://courses.gordon.army.mil>. Both sites should be thoroughly explored and depending on the planned course of instruction a moderate level of self-development should be completed prior to arrival.
4. In conclusion, our expectation of you as either an instructor or student is that the instruction prepares you to assume your role as a US Army Signal Professional in the operating force. You are in a position to make a significant impact on today's Army and the 442nd Signal Battalion hopes to contribute in strengthening your foundation and understanding of the operational environment for the future. Again, welcome to the 442nd Signal Battalion. My staff, instructors, and cadre are here to provide the best education and training possible to all of our students. I wish you the best in your travels and look forward to seeing you around the Battalion!

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