



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL JIM H. KEFFER

Brig. Gen. Jim H. Keffer is the Deputy Chief, Central Security Service (CSS), National Security Agency, Fort George G. Meade, Md. The CSS is a combat support agency of the Department of Defense with military and civilian professionals stationed worldwide. As Deputy Chief, he manages the partnership of the military service cryptologic elements with the NSA/CSS. General Keffer has held various cyberspace and intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance positions at national, theater and tactical levels. He has commanded a squadron, a group, and a wing. As the Commander of the 70th Intelligence Wing, he led the Air Force's second largest wing with eight groups and nearly 7,000 Airmen located in units across the globe conducting primarily signals intelligence missions. As an air attaché to Austria, Slovakia, and Slovenia he advocated U.S. helicopter and fighter acquisitions for Austria and helped prepare Slovakia and Slovenia for NATO membership. Prior to his current assignment, he was Deputy Director for Intelligence, U.S. Forces-Iraq, Baghdad, Iraq.



EDUCATION

1982 Bachelor of Science degree in mathematical sciences, magna cum laude, Memphis State University, Tenn.

1983 Master of Science degree in operations research, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

1985 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

1986 Marine Corps Command and Staff College, by correspondence

1994 Distinguished graduate, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala. 1997 Department of Defense Executive Leadership Development Program, Washington, D.C.

1997 Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.

1998 Air War College, by correspondence

1999 Distinguished graduate, National Defense Senior Service School Fellowship, RAND Corporation, Santa Monica, Calif.

2004 Combined Air and Space Operations Senior Staff Course, Hurlburt Field, Fla.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1982 - December 1983, student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

2. December 1983 - September 1986, staff analyst and squadron section commander, 1815th Operational Test and Evaluation Squadron, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

3. September 1986 - March 1987, student, 3470th Student Squadron, Lowry AFB, Colo.
4. March 1987 - April 1989, Warsaw Pact air activity analyst, later, Chief of the Soviet and Warsaw Pact Air Forces Employment Branch, 7450th Tactical Intelligence Squadron, Ramstein Air Base, Germany
5. April 1989 - November 1990, intelligence briefer to the Commander in Chief, U.S. Air Forces in Europe, 7455th Tactical Intelligence Wing, Ramstein AB, Germany
6. November 1990 - February 1992, Chief of Tactical Applications, Office of Strategic Programs, National Security Agency, Fort George G. Meade, Md.
7. March 1992 - August 1993, executive officer to the Assistant Deputy Director of Operations, National Security Agency, Fort George G. Meade, Md.
8. August 1993 - June 1994, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
9. July 1994 - October 1995, Commander, 24th Air Intelligence Squadron, Howard AFB, Panama
10. October 1995 - July 1998, long-range joint intelligence planner; later, joint command, control, communications, computers and intelligence planner; later, joint intelligence operational architectures planner, U.S. Atlantic Command, Norfolk, Va.
11. August 1998 - July 1999, National Defense Senior Service School Fellowship, RAND Corporation, Santa Monica, Calif.
12. August 1999 - July 2000, student, German language, and attaché designee, Defense Intelligence Agency, Washington, D.C.
13. August 2000 - May 2003, U.S. Air Attaché to Austria, Slovakia and Slovenia
14. June 2003 - June 2005, Commander, 318th Information Operations Group, Lackland AFB, Texas
15. July 2005 - September 2005, special assistant to the Commander, Air Intelligence Agency, Lackland AFB, Texas
16. September 2005 - December 2007, Commander, 70th Intelligence Wing, Fort George G. Meade, Md.
17. January 2008 - September 2009, Senior Military Assistant to the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
18. September 2009 - October 2010, Deputy Director for Intelligence, U.S. Forces-Iraq, Baghdad, Iraq
19. October 2010 - present, Deputy Chief, Central Security Service, National Security Agency, Fort George G. Meade, Md.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. November 1990 - February 1992, Chief of Tactical Applications, Office of Strategic Programs, National Security Agency, Fort George G. Meade, Md., as a captain
2. March 1992 - August 1993, executive officer to the Assistant Deputy Director of Operations, National Security Agency, Fort George G. Meade, Md., as a captain
3. October 1995 - July 1998, long-range joint intelligence planner; later, joint command, control, communications, computers and intelligence planner; later, joint intelligence operational architectures planner, U.S. Atlantic Command, Norfolk, Va., as a major
4. August 2000 - May 2003, U.S. Air Attaché to Austria, Slovakia, and Slovenia, as a lieutenant colonel
5. January 2008 - September 2009, Senior Military Assistant to the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence, the Pentagon, Washington D.C., as a colonel and brigadier general
6. September 2009 - October 2010, Deputy Director for Intelligence, U.S. Forces-Iraq, Baghdad, Iraq, as a brigadier general
7. October 2010 - present, Deputy Chief, Central Security Service, National Security Agency, Fort George G. Meade, Md., as a brigadier general

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal
Legion of Merit
Bronze Star Medal
Defense Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal
Joint Service Achievement Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
Humanitarian Service Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTIONS

Second Lieutenant May 26, 1982

First Lieutenant June 6, 1984

Captain June 6, 1986

Major March 1, 1994

Lieutenant Colonel Jan. 1, 1998

Colonel June 1, 2003

Brigadier General June 19, 2009

(Current as of November 2010)