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## Florida Air National Guard to change command

**WHAT** – A change of command ceremony for the Florida Air National Guard

**WHEN** – 3 p.m., Friday, Feb. 10. Media are asked to arrive no later than 2:45 p.m. in order to be in place prior to the start of the official ceremony. Late arrivals may not be accommodated.

**WHERE** – Joint Force Headquarters, Florida National Guard, 82 Marine St., St. Augustine, Fla.

Leadership of the Florida Air National Guard (FLANG) will change hands in an official military ceremony, during which the colors (flag) of command representing the approximately 2,000 Airmen of the FLANG will be passed from Brig. Gen. James Eifert to Brig. Gen. Brian Simpler.

The event will also serve as a promotion ceremony for Eifert, who will pin on his second star before assuming the position of Air National Guard Advisor to the Commander of Pacific Air Forces, stationed in Hawaii.

**Note to news media:** Interviews will be available with the incoming and outgoing commanders, who are both pilots and subject matter experts on the F-35 Jacksonville initiative. The Florida Air National Guard's 125<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing in Jacksonville, Fla., was recently selected as one of the top five locations being considered to receive the F-35A Lightning II aircraft. Media may RSVP or direct questions to one of the numbers listed above.

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