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Senior NATO and Partner Air Force Commanders Meet to Discuss Future of Airpower

Ramstein Air Base, 24 November 2009 – The senior Air Force representatives from NATO and Partnership for Peace (PfP) member countries north of the Alps met today at Allied Air Component Command Headquarters Ramstein for the Northern Region Airmen's Summit.

Participants from 19 nations gathered at NATO's northern air headquarters for discussions on the future of NATO Air Command and Control and Allied Air Force interoperability.

General Roger A. Brady, USA Air Force, Commander of Allied Air Component Command HQ Ramstein (CC-Air Ramstein), welcomed the Air Chiefs of the NATO and Partner nations in and around his area of functional responsibility.

The Deputy Commander of CC-Air Ramstein, Air Marshal David Walker, GBR Royal Air Force, chaired a brainstorming about the future of NATO Air Command and Control. Lieutenant-General Phil Breedlove, the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Plans and Requirements at Headquarters U.S. Air Force led a discussion about the way ahead for the deployed air headquarters of a Joint Force and the responsibilities of the NATO Area Air Defence Commander.

General Brady initiated the Northern Region Airmen's Summit as a forum for the Air Chiefs to meet with the NATO Air Commander and consider Airpower issues relevant to NATO and Partner nations in Northern Europe. The event is third in a series which includes the Global Air Chiefs' Conference and the NATO Air Chiefs' Conference, both hosted by the Chief of Staff of the USA Air Force in the intervening years.

The one-day meeting ended in the evening as participants departed to their home countries. "This Northern Region Airmen's Summit was a perfect opportunity to meet with my fellow senior Airmen from Allied and Partner Air Forces," said General Brady. "My colleagues and I discussed important air issues in a frank and open atmosphere. The meeting will result in stronger and more effective Airpower for the Alliance."

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1. General Brady, USA Air Force, General Palomeros, FRA AF, General Schwartz, USA AF and Air Chief Marshal Dalton GBR AF (first row left to right) during the Honour Guard Ceremony
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2. NATO Northern Region Airmen's Summit Group Picture
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