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NEW COMMANDER TO TAKE NINTH AF REINS

SHAW AIR FORCE BASE, S.C. -- Maj. Gen. Chad Franks is set to take command of Ninth Air Force during an official change of command ceremony June 13 at 9 a.m. in Hangar 1200.

Maj. Gen. Scott Zobrist, Ninth AF commander, will hand over the command of Ninth AF to General Franks during an hour-long ceremony.

Gen. Mike Holmes, commander of Air Combat Command from Langley AFB, Virginia, will preside over the event with many service members, civil servants, community leaders and family in attendance.

Ninth Air Force organizes, trains and equips its headquarters to be a deployable, operational-level Joint Task Force and its subordinate commands to prepare for and execute expeditionary taskings.

Additionally, Ninth Air Force commands eight wings and three direct reporting units in the Southeastern U.S., ensuring the operational readiness of more than 400 aircraft and 29,000 active duty and civilian members.

Media members who wish to attend and cover the change of command must RSVP to Ninth AF Public Affairs at 9AF.PA.publicaffairs@us.af.mil by Noon June 11. Attending media must arrive at the Shaw AFB Visitors' Center by 8 a.m. June 13. Late arrivals and media members who don't RSVP will not be granted access to the base.

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