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MEDIA ADVISORY

NATO Supreme Allied Commander Transformation Holds Change of Command

NORFOLK— Media are invited to attend the NATO Supreme Allied Commander Transformation Change of Command ceremony to be held on Wednesday September 30 at 2:00 p.m. at the *Half Moone Cruise and Celebration Center* in Norfolk, VA.

The NATO Secretary General, Mr. Jens Stoltenberg, will preside over the ceremony where French Air Force General Denis Mercier will assume command of Allied Command Transformation (ACT) from French Air Force General Jean-Paul Paloméros.

Both the NATO Secretary General, Mr. Stoltenberg and General Mercier will be available to speak to media present at the Change of Command ceremony.

When: Wednesday, September 30 at 2:00 p.m.

Where: *Half Moone Cruise and Celebration Center*, One Waterside Drive, Norfolk, VA 23510

Also attending the Change of Command ceremony will be Norfolk Mayor Paul Frait and several senior NATO and Partner Nation officials from around the world to include members of the North Atlantic Council.

One of two NATO Alliance Strategic Commands and the only permanent NATO headquarters in North America, ACT plays an essential role in maintaining and strengthening the vital transatlantic link between Europe and North America, leading the transformation of NATO's military structure, forces, capabilities and doctrine.

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Notes to editor / news director:

Media interested in attending the ceremony should RSVP Lieutenant Commander Karen Eifert by calling **757-676-2610** or emailing karen.eifert@act.nato.int by 5:00 p.m. September 29. Media attending the ceremony should arrive no later than 12:30 p.m. for parking, registration orientation and guidance.

For more information on Allied Command Transformation, please go to www.act.nato.int .