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ASSISTANT COMMANDER OF V CORPS' 1ST ARMORED DIVISION PROMOTED TO BRIGADIER GENERAL

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WIESBADEN, Germany — The assistant division commander for support for V Corps' 1st Armored Division was promoted to brigadier general recently during a ceremony at the division headquarters here.



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Col. Randy Anderson assistant division commander for support for V Corps' 1st Armored Division, smiles broadly as his new brigadier general rank is pinned to his collar in a ceremony in Wiesbaden, Germany.

Col. Randy Anderson, who traded the silver eagle rank insignia of a colonel for his first star during the ceremony, has been the ADC-S for the division since July. He said it was fitting to get the promotion while serving with the "Old Ironsides" division.

"It was here in the current 1st Armored Division footprint where many important events have taken place in my life and where I have learned to grow as a person, a leader, and a Soldier," said Anderson, who started his military career in the region with 3rd Armored Division's 3rd Battalion, 33rd Armor Regiment. His last assignment in Germany was as commander of the 1st Armored Division's 2nd Battalion 68th Armor Regiment, in Baumholder.

Anderson gave a summary of his "duty description and performance objective" as the ADC-S for what he called "the best division in the Army."

"If you can drive it, fly it, shoot it, fix it, consume it, wear it, or use it ... it's in my lane," said Anderson. "It's a great time to be in the division. They're in the process of refitting themselves. So it will be my job to support that effort logistically."

During his career, Anderson has served with a number of tank units from the 33rd, 66th, 68th, 69th and 70th armor regiments.

Following battalion command in Baumholder, the Stephen F. Austin State University graduate assumed duties as 1st Armored Division's operations officer in Bad Kreuznach, Germany.

Anderson's previous assignment was with the Joint Chiefs of Staff in Washington, D.C., where he served as joint civil-military operations chief for Central and South Asia and was later reassigned as deputy director for international negotiations and multilateral affairs.

Anderson is a graduate of the Armor Officer Basic Course; the Army Ranger School; the Infantry Officer Career Course; the Army Command and General Staff Officer Course and the National War College. He holds master's degrees in administration from Central Michigan University and in national security strategy from the National Defense University.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster; the Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters; the Army Commendation

Medal with two oak leaf clusters; the Army Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster, and the Ranger Tab.

