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CHARLESTON AFB TO GET 142 MILITARY, 2 CIVILIAN AUTHORIZATIONS IN 2002

CHARLESTON AIR FORCE BASE, S.C. – According to a recently released force structure announcement, Charleston AFB will see a boost in manpower authorizations in fiscal year 2002.

This announcement addresses fiscal 2002 force structure, realignment, and management actions resulting from mission changes, adjustments for efficiency and both congressional and presidential directives.

Of the 144 incoming personnel, 114 military and 2 civilians will be assigned to support operations for the first three of 12 C-17A Globemaster III aircraft due to arrive throughout fiscal year 2003. The incoming positions will range from aircrew to maintenance support for the aircraft and the eventual stand-up of another C-17 squadron.

In July 2000 CAFB deactivated its last C-141 Starlifter squadron, which resulted in the loss of manpower. As the base acquires more C-17's, it is getting some of these positions back. By 2004, the base will have a total of 54 C-17's. The base presently has 40 C-17's.

Of the remaining 28 positions, 13 personnel will be assigned to various squadrons, focusing on those with high Air Expeditionary Force deployment rates. One more position will be added to the Precision Measurement Equipment Laboratory, which ensures all measurement tools used on aircraft and weapon systems are calibrated and accurate.

Four positions will be added to support the Special Operations Low Level mission.

The remaining 10 personnel authorizations will be assigned to support various base operations.

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