

Dear *Army Sustainment* readers:

Our Army is a force simultaneously in transition, in action, and in preparation. As we transition, we are recovering from over 14 years of combat operations in Iraq and Afghanistan while supporting other ongoing operations globally. Following “The Army Vision: Strategic Advantage in a Complex World,” we must continue to build on our long history of success, adaptation, and strong leadership to change, evolve, and continue to prevent conflicts, shape the security environment, and win in the event of conflict.

I am honored to join the CASCOM team of game-changing professionals. We have a vital task in supporting TRADOC as we collectively design the future of our nation’s forces. To echo the words of Gen. David Perkins, this “is a responsibility I will not take lightly.” This new era will continue to challenge us to foster a balanced, versatile, innovative, expeditionary force of experts who will continue to shape our Army into the force of 2025 and beyond. We will continue to support the CSA’s priorities of maintaining readiness to ensure troops are sustained in the fight by building an agile and adaptive future Army that can continue to win wars on ever-changing battlefields. By doing this, we will continue to take care of our troops; we know our success is contingent upon our most important and invaluable assets.

It is publications like *Army Sustainment* that allow us to capture the experiences gained from our fellow logisticians and sustainers and share, learn from, and build upon them to continually refine the principles of sustainment and operate in the world we envision for the future. We must ensure that CASCOM and the sustainment community remain well-informed and in touch with the issues and concerns of our commanders and troops in the field. Also, we must continue to deliver on our most important mission of developing and integrating innovative Army and joint sustainment capabilities for the Army of the future. The articles we produce for this magazine must contribute to addressing all of these challenges, and sustainment has a huge part to play in each and every unit—strategic to tactical.

I encourage you to continue to read and support *Army Sustainment* and other professional publications and continue to stay abreast of the challenges that logisticians and sustainers face every day. I also urge you to submit your ideas, thoughts, experiences, or suggestions for how we can better support those in the field to *Army Sustainment*.

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