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Goodwin announced as chief of store execution division

By DeCA Corporate Communication

FORT LEE, Va. – Lauren P. “Larry” Bands Jr., the Defense Commissary Agency’s chief financial executive, announced the selection of Robert “Bob” W. Goodwin as the agency’s new chief of the store execution division.

“Since February, Bob has shown the leadership and expertise we knew he’d bring to this position,” Bands said. “I have every confidence that he will continue to help this agency maintain its exceptional reputation for fiscal accountability.”

Goodwin follows Kim Rouse, the agency’s last chief of store execution, who went on to become the director of manpower and budget for DeCA. Prior to Goodwin’s selection, Donna Jenkins, a resource analyst, had been detailed as the acting chief of store execution from September 2010 to January 2011.

As chief of the store execution division, Goodwin is responsible for programming and managing the execution of DeCA East and West’s annual budgets for the Defense Working Capital and Surcharge funds. He also oversees the agency’s Defense Travel System and Government Travel Card programs. His selection was effective Feb. 13.

Goodwin has served as a resource analyst in the budget formulation division at DeCA headquarters since July 3, 2010. He spent the previous seven years as the budget officer for DeCA Europe at Kapaun Station, Germany.

Goodwin earned a Master of Arts in administrative management with a concentration in business administration from the University of Maryland, University College. He also holds a Bachelor of Science in business management from UMUC. A graduate of both the Air War

College (2004) and Air Command and Staff College (2000) seminar programs, he also graduated from the Department of Defense Executive Leadership Development Program in 2010.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1978 to 1992 as a counterintelligence agent and began his civil service career in 1993 as a budget assistant with DeCA Europe at Zweibruecken, Germany. Goodwin is a certified defense financial manager.

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