

LTG JEFFREY A. SORENSON RETIRES AFTER 37 YEARS OF ARMY SERVICE

LTG Jeffrey A. Sorenson, Army Chief Information Officer (CIO)/G-6, retired Nov. 5, 2010, after more than 3 years as the Army CIO/G-6 and after serving 37-plus years with the Army. GEN Peter W. Chiarelli, Army Vice Chief of Staff, presided over the retirement ceremony attended by more than 400 people.

Sorenson thanked the Army for the opportunity to serve and the CIO/G-6 organization for its commitment to deliver the finest command, control, communications, and computers (C4) and information technology network capabilities to Soldiers.

"We have come a long way to reshape the network enterprise strategy," Sorenson said. "And I believe the CIO/G-6 is on the cusp of delivering significant network capabilities to the warfighter through all our enterprise initiatives."

Building the network is critical to the Army's success in its current and future missions. Warfighters require the most effective network capabilities to operate in the modern battlefield. LTG William N. Phillips, Principal Military Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology (ASAALT), stressed the importance of this in an interview with *Army AL&T Magazine* (see Pages 11–17). "We have many new challenges [in Army acquisition]," he said. "First is the building of the network and network synchronization—this is the most important program within the Army today!"

Before taking the CIO/G-6 position, Sorenson was the Deputy

for Acquisition and Systems Management to the ASAALT.

Sorenson has more than 20 years of acquisition experience as a certified U.S. Army Material Acquisition Manager. His acquisition assignments include: Director, Program Control, Joint Tactical Fusion Program Office; Course Director for the Executive Program Managers Course, Defense Systems Management College; Director, Science and Technology Integration, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research, Development, and Acquisition; Product Manager Ground Based Common Sensor-Light/TEAMMATE/TRACKWOLF programs; Project Manager Night Vision/Reconnaissance, Surveillance, and Target Acquisition; Director, Information Technology, Acquisition Directorate, Office of the Director of Information Systems for C4; Senior Military Assistant to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics; and Program Executive Officer Tactical Missiles.

Sorenson holds a B.S. from the U.S. Military Academy and an M.B.A. in finance, accounting, and decision sciences from Northwestern University. He is a graduate of the Armed Forces Staff College; the Army War College; and the Program Manager and Executive Program Managers Courses at the Defense Systems Management College.

Sorenson's awards and decorations include the Army's Project Manager of the Year in 1998, the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with three oak leaf



LTG Jeffrey A. Sorenson, Army Chief Information Officer/G-6, retired Nov. 5, 2010, after nearly 4 decades of Army service. (U.S. Army photo.)

clusters, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters, and several other awards and decorations including the Parachutist Badge and Ranger Tab.

At the time this article was published, a new CIO/G-6 had not been announced. Mike Krieger was designated as the Acting CIO/G-6 and MG Mark Bowman as the Acting Deputy CIO/G-6.