



NEBRASKA NATIONAL GUARD

NEWS RELEASE

Public Affairs Office - 2433 NW 24th St - Lincoln, Nebraska 68524-1801
Phone: 402-309-8390/8391

**U.S. STRATEGIC COMMAND
MOBILIZATION ASSISTANT
EARNS SECOND STAR**

**Released by
Lt. Col. Kevin Hynes**

May 28, 2015

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

LINCOLN, Neb. – Brig. Gen. Richard J. Evans III, a member of the Nebraska Air National Guard assigned to the U.S. Strategic Command, was promoted to the rank of major general during a May 20 ceremony at Offutt AFB, Neb.

Maj. Gen. Daryl Bohac, Nebraska adjutant general, presided over the ceremony, which was attended by about 150 family, friends and coworkers.

Bohac praised Evans for his dedication to excellence in a career spanning more than 31 years. Among specific accomplishments mentioned, Bohac singled out Evans' fast start in the military as a distinguished graduate from his officer training course and exemplary flight record that includes a number of distinguished graduate awards and numerous examples of special recognition or achievement.

Bohac highlighted Evans' successful command assignments, including leading the Nebraska Air National Guard's two major units, the 155th Air Refueling Wing, based in Lincoln, Nebraska, and the 170th Group, based at Offutt AFB, Nebraska. Bohac also noted Evans performed well in leadership roles during a number of combat operations around the world.

Evans used the occasion to thank his family for their strong support and encouragement throughout his career. He also thanked the members of the various military organizations he has led or been affiliated with during his career, highlighting that "it is an extreme honor to serve in my home state as a senior military officer in the Nebraska National Guard and U.S. Air Force, and to work at the U.S. Strategic Command."

Evans also remarked on how honored and humbled he was to attain the rank of major general in the U.S. Air Force, adding that he never expected it and "it really is more reflective on those I have served with, than on me personally."

Evans currently serves as mobilization assistant to the deputy commander, U.S. Strategic Command at Offutt AFB. In this capacity, he is the principal advisor to the deputy commander on reserve component and operational matters related to the command's various global missions.

U.S. Strategic Command is one of nine DoD unified combatant commands and is charged with strategic deterrence; space operations; cyberspace operations; joint electronic warfare; global strike; missile defense; intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance; combating weapons of mass destruction; and analysis and targeting.

This is Evans' third assignment at U.S. Strategic Command since arriving in 2012. He previously served as the mobilization assistant to the director of global operations and as deputy commander for the joint functional component command for global strike, both at Offutt AFB.

Maj. Gen. Evans is a graduate of Omaha Northwest High School and the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Looking ahead, Evans told the audience that he hopes to continue contributing positively to the extremely important missions assigned to U.S. Strategic Command for the time remaining on his current assignment. He also plans to remain active as a member of the Nebraska Air National Guard, assisting Bohac when and where required.

-30-

Note: Photo available upon request.