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## CG SENDS: COVID-19 UPDATE, 31 MAR 2020

### Army Materiel Command team,

I am incredibly proud of the hard work happening across Army Materiel Command to care for our workforce, execute our mission, and combat COVID-19. Every day, I brief our Army Senior Leaders on the herculean efforts to shift focus to this new fight. Thank you!

For the last couple weeks, I have updated you on changes and impacts to the workforce. Today, I want to highlight a fraction of the great work that we -- YOU -- are involved in all around the world to combat this virus.

- Army Medical Logistics Command's Medical Materiel Centers in Korea and Europe have been distributing personal protective equipment (PPE) and essential medical supplies, including surgical masks, N95 respirator masks, gloves, surgical gowns, hand sanitizer, touchless infrared thermometers and specimen collection kits, to troops overseas in some of the hardest hit regions.
- Army Sustainment Command is leveraging the Logistics Civil Augmentation Program (LOGCAP) to provide installations with a full range of life support activities for Soldiers returning to the U.S. placed in quarantine.
- Army Contracting Command is contracting for critical supplies and services for some of the nation's most impacted regions.
- Our Army Organic Industrial Base depots, arsenals and ammunition plants are assessing ways to retool assembly lines, maintenance facilities and manufacturing capabilities to produce, repair or repurpose equipment such as N95 masks to address global shortages of PPE and other potentially life-saving medical equipment.
- Our installations are finding safe and innovative ways to continue providing access to commissaries, exchanges, child care and other critical services to our Soldiers, Civilians, Retirees and Families.
- Financial Management Command is working to ensure the COVID-related entitlements and pay allowances are being processed quickly and efficiently for the benefit of Soldiers and their families.
- Surface Deployment and Distribution Command is moving thousands of pieces of critical medical equipment and supplies across the U.S. via truck and rail.
- Army Security Assistance Command is maintaining contact with our allies and partners around the world; we are all in this fight together.

Every member of the AMC team -- all 190,000 Soldiers, Civilians and Contractors -- has a role in contributing to these efforts. I have said it before about combat operations, but it is equally as relevant in today's environment -- your impact is not measured by your proximity to the fight. You are making a difference!

Thank you for continuing to answer the call and selflessly serve our nation!

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