

## Continued Professionalism Assures Cyberspace Defense Dominance

Signaleers,

Greetings! First and foremost, it is an honor to be your 36th Chief of Signal. This edition of the Army Communicator provides a frank evaluation of where we stand in the on-going struggle for dominance in the domain of cyberspace. I encourage you to read this edition cover to cover.

Virtually everything in our environment from the power grid that brings electricity to the stove and refrigerator in your home to the ubiquitous cellular phones everyone carries depends on unencumbered cyberspace.

Everyday our military and domestic networks are constantly under attack from adversaries who seek to disrupt our use of cyberspace, deny our ability to use it or infiltrate our networks for intelligence.

The single greatest threat to our ability to maintain dominance in cyberspace is the education and training of our people. Being unaware of safeguarding techniques leaves room for both internal and external threats to penetrate and disrupt our critical cyberspace information infrastructure.

This fight over cyberspace includes every person who uses our networks, since we are only as strong as the weakest link.

The critical element in the equation is our people. I am confident in the professionalism of our Signal Regiment members to lead in this campaign to dominate the cyberspace environment and soundly defeat our adversaries. Our brightest minds are on point in the midst

of this on-going campaign and share some of their insights in this edition. We have a 152-year track record of consistently and unwaveringly "getting the message through." Through tough times and extraordinary transitions, the core values we stand on have distinguished us as **Army Professionals** and assured our successes.

Today we are not only engaged "over there." Cyberspace extends to every corner of our homeland. Even though the battlefield has changed and continues changing, our core values have not and should not change. I am confident that we will dominate in cyberspace because every one of you—service members and civilians alike—know that we are involved as Army Professionals in a pursuit that is more than a job. You are called on and serving in a capacity steeped in a deep moral obligation of duty for the defense of the nation.

Our motto Pro Patria Vigilans rings truer and more critically now than ever before. Army Signal Soldiers and Civilians are charged to take ownership of the networks and communications systems and the Profession of Arms. Continue thinking and acting in the highest ethical and professional tenets of our profession. When you continue to do so, I know we will be victorious in this struggle for dominance in cyberspace.

As one **Army Professional** to another, I sincerely thank each Soldier, Army Civilian, sister service member and our Families for your commitment to our Army and our nation.

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