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## **Hood replaces Miller at JTF-GTMO**

GUANTANAMO BAY, Cuba – U.S. Army Brig. Gen. Jay W. Hood will assume command of Joint Task Force-Guantanamo from Maj. Gen. Geoffrey D. Miller in a ceremony today at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Joint Task Force-Guantanamo is responsible for detention and interrogation operations of suspected al-Qaeda and Taliban members as part of the Global War on Terrorism. The Naval Base currently houses more than 600 detainees.

Miller's new assignment is as Deputy Commander for Detainee Operations, Combined Joint Task Force – 7/Multinational Force-Iraq, effective upon assumption.

Hood was previously the Assistant Division Commander (Forward), 24<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division (Mechanized)/Deputy Commanding General (South), First United States Army, Fort Jackson, S.C.

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Questions should be directed to JTF-GTMO Public Affairs Office. More information about Joint Task Force-Guantanamo can be found at http://www.nsgtmo.navy.mil/jtfgtmo/. More information regarding General Officer assignments can be found at http://www.defenselink.mil/releases/2004/nr20040323-0483.html.