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TO ALL USAF MARS MEMBERS  
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SUBJ GREETINGS FROM THE NEW USAF MARS CHIEF

1. GREETINGS TO ALL U.S. AIR FORCE MARS MEMBERS FROM THE USAF MARS HQ AT SCOTT AFB, IL. I AM PLEASED AND EXCITED TO HAVE BEEN APPOINTED THE NEW USAF MARS CHIEF. I HAVE NOT YET HAD AN OPPORUTNITY TO ENGAGE FULLY IN MY NEW ASSIGNMENT, BUT I WANTED TO INTRODUCE MYSELF AND OFFER SOME INITIAL THOUGHTS AS I ASSUME THIS NEW RESPONSIBILITY.

2. I AM A CIVILIAN COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM MANAGER AT THE AIR FORCE NETWORKS AND INTEGRATION CENTER (AFNIC). AS WITH MY PREDECESSORS, MARS IS A COLLATERAL DUTY FOR ME. HOWEVER I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE AIR FORCE MARS TEAM IN SUPPORT OF OUR MISSION TO PROVIDE RELIABLE CONTINGENCY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND U.S. GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.

3. IT IS A PRIVILEGE TO LEAD THIS ORGANIZATION. AIR FORCE MARS HAS A PROVEN TRACK RECORD OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS MADE POSSIBLE BY YOUR DEDICATION AND UNSELFISH WILLINGNESS TO SERVE THOSE WHO SERVE US. YOU CAN BE RIGHTLY PROUD OF YOUR SERVICE TO THE NATION.

4. WITH YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT, AIR FORCE MARS IS WELL-POSITIONED TO MEET FUTURE CHALLENGES. THESE INCLUDE MORE CLOSELY ALIGNING OUR CAPABILITIES WITH THE EXPANDED MARS MISSION REFLECTED IN DOD INSTRUCTION 4650.02, COMPLETING THE UPDATE TO THE NEW USAF MARS OPERATING INSTRUCTION, ENHANCING INTEROPERABILITY, AND EXPANDING THE ROLE AND ACTIVITIES OF AIR FORCE MARS IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL OBJECTIVES.

5. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR EFFORTS. I APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT OF THE MARS PROGRAM AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING TOGETHER TOWARD A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR AIR FORCE MARS.

SIGNED

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