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Command Sgt. Maj. Charles Rosadoaccepts responsibility from Lt. Col. Kimberly Peeples, Garrison Commander, during the assumption of responsibility ceremony Aug. 2.

The new top enlisted Soldier at the U.S. Army Garrison at Carlisle Barracks has singular goal in mind for his time here, taking care of people.

"We are in tough times for Soldiers, civilian

employees and their Families," said **Command Sgt. Maj. Charles Rosado**, who assumed his responsibilities during a ceremony Aug. 2 in Reynolds Theater. "Even with the fiscal challenges we face, I still see a dedicated, professional staff here and I want to do all I can to support them."

Rosado, a Long Island, New York native who will soon pass the 29-year mark in the Army, comes from a military family. His father served in the Air Force and multiple other family members served in the Army and Navy. Rosado and his wife, Katherine, have seven children from ages 16 to 33.

"I always knew that I wanted to serve in the Army," he said. "It's hard to explain just how welcoming and special it is to be a part of the Army community. You can just see and feel the pride this community takes when you drive on this beautiful installation. You can tell that people love being here and being a part of the Army."

That community extends beyond just the Soldiers and the families who work at Carlisle Barracks he said.

"I want to make sure that we not only take care of those who live and work here, but also those other servicemembers and their Families who live here but work at the other installations in the area," he said. Rosado also wants to be a resource for the military retirees in the area and the Soldiers who work at the

tenant organizations here.

"I just want to be able to give back to the Army, which has given so much to me," he said.

Lt. Col. Kimberly Peeples, garrison commander, said that Rosado was the perfect choice.

"Command Sgt. Major Rosado is a Soldier's Solider," she said. His is a professional and extremely caring individual I am confident that the Army has made the right choice in assigning Command Sergeant Major Rosado to this historic post."

Rosado bio

Command Sergeant Major Charles A. Rosado entered the U.S. Army in November 1984. He received his Basic and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, OK where he was awarded the MOS 31V. During his 28 years of service, Rosado has held numerous leadership positions which include squad leader, section sergeant, platoon sergeant, AIT Instructor, Battalion Communications Chief, Brigade Communications Chief, First Sergeant, Network Operations Sergeant Major, and G6 Sergeant Major.

His previous assignments include Headquarters, 25th Infantry Division (Light), Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; Alpha and Charlie Company, 615th Aviation Support Battalion, 1st Air Cavalry Brigade; Headquarters, 4th Brigade Combat Team; Headquarters, 2-227th Aviation Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, Fort Hood; Headquarters, 369th Signal Battalion, Fort Gordon, GA; 413th Signal Company, 94th Air Defense Brigade, Darmstadt, GE; Headquarters, 1/12 Cavalry Regiment, Fort Knox, KY; 61st Maintenance Company, 227th Maintenance Battalion; and Headquarters, 24th Infantry Division at Fort Stewart, GA.

Throughout his career, Rosado has continued to further his military education and training. He completed the Nuclear, Biological, and Chemical School, The Equal Opportunity Leader Course, The Warrior Leader, Advanced Leader, and Senior Leader Course, The First Sergeant Course, and the Sergeant's Major Academy Course (Class 60).

Rosado has earned his Associate Degree of Science in General Education from Central Texas College. He is currently pursuing his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and is in his senior year.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, three oak leaf clusters, Meritorious Service Medal, two oak leaf clusters, Army Commendation Medal, four oak leaf clusters, the Army Achievement Medal, four oak leaf clusters, the National Defense Service Medal, one Bronze Star, Korean Defense

Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, and the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Army Superior Unit award, and the Meritorious Unit Citation.

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