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Maj. Gen. Gregg Martin, USAWC commandant, accepts the colors from Gen. Martin Dempsey, TRADOC commander, symbolizing the assumption of command for the Army War College. Photo by Scott Finger.

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Aug. 13, 2010 -- On the historic Indian Field on Carlisle Barracks, Maj. Gen. Gregg Martin accepted command of the Army War College during a ceremony officiated by Gen. Martin Dempsey, commander, Army Training and Doctrine Command.

“The Army War College serves as an important foundation for our strategic leaders,” said Dempsey. “There is no better place to learn these important lessons than at the Army War College and no better person to lead them than Maj. Gen. Gregg Martin.”

Martin, a USAWC Class of 2000 graduate, assumed the duties as the 48th Commandant of the Army War College earlier this summer. The ceremony served as an official introduction to the post and community.

“This is a place that inspires you to see what’s possible and to recognize that being ‘great’ is the product of an incredibly important mission and exceptionally talented people with a passion for what we do,” said Martin. “We share a deep commitment to provide the strategic leadership education and wisdom that our young troops and our nation expect from us.”

“Since 2001, we have adapted to a constantly changing environment and we can expect more, unforeseen and perhaps unimaginable challenges in the future,” he said. “That’s why the Army War

College's mission is so deeply significant – one with great, far-reaching impact. We are on the eve of crucial transitions for our armed forces. Our shared responsibility is to develop the strategic leaders and wisdom to guide us to a more secure future. Our responsibility here is enormous. That's why we must be great at what we do. Our future is at stake.”

Prior to his arrival at Carlisle, Martin served in Kuwait as the Deputy Commanding General of Third Army and US Army Central Command during the simultaneous buildup in Afghanistan and responsible drawdown from Iraq. Before that, he served as the Commanding General of the U.S. Army Maneuver Support Center of Excellence and Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. Martin also previously served on the USAWC faculty, working in the Department of Command, Leadership and Management.

The 1-108th Field Artillery of the 56th Stryker Brigade Combat team, 28th Infantry Division Pa. Army National Guard and the 28th Infantry Division Band both participated in the event.

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