



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
401ST ARMY FIELD SUPPORT BRIGADE
BAGRAM AIRFIELD, AFGHANISTAN
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Office of the Commander and Command Sergeant Major

Welcome to Team Sabre, Afghanistan. "Adaptive, Aggressive, Anticipates!"

CSM Caisido and I welcome you to the "Team Sabre Brigade". You are about to experience a challenging and rewarding year in support of Warfighters across the Combined Joint Operations-Afghanistan.

You are joining a superb organization that is over 41,000 strong with a formation that consists of Active and Reserve Soldiers, Department of the Army Civilians, and Contractors who provide unparalleled, simultaneous mission support to Operation Enduring Freedom.

You are an integral part of our team, and your experience and ideas are valued and important as we work to more effectively support the Maneuver BCT's. This brigade reaches out and touches every aspect of support to the Soldier -- from issuing force package equipment, installing vehicle enhancements, supporting the fielding of equipment by our Acquisition Logistics and Technology partners, and assisting units in their redeployment and equipment RESET processes. Our Soldiers' readiness, survivability, and lethality are greatly enhanced because of our collective efforts.

The work you will perform is challenging and rewarding. You will need to prepare accordingly for the rigors of combat operations and expeditionary living. Be prepared to join the team physically, mentally and spiritually fit. Go into this deployment with the mindset that a year-long deployment must be viewed like a marathon -- not a sprint. Every person on the team counts; pace yourself, as your ability to stay healthy is paramount to our ability to accomplish the mission.

We will challenge you to live the Team Sabre Brigade Ethos in all that you do each and every day. I am confident your tour will be rewarding to you personally and professionally and that you will depart knowing that you made a difference in the Global War on Terror.

If you have any immediate questions or needs, please contact the S-1 staff at (DSN) 312-481-8251/8253 or email at BGRM401STAFSBS1@afghan.swa.army.mil.

Thank you and your family for making this sacrifice. We look forward to you joining "Team Sabre Brigade".

"TRUST AND LOYALTY!"

Respectfully,

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CSM, USA
Command Sergeant Major

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