

COLONEL TRAVIS JOHN HERBRANSON

Colonel Travis J. Herbranson is the Director of Intelligence, Analyses, and Assessments for Headquarters Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center, Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M. As the U.S. Air Force's Operational Test Agency, AFOTEC's mission is to independently test and evaluate Air Force and Joint major acquisition systems in operationally realistic environments to inform warfighters and influence national resource decisions. Colonel Herbranson's directorate provides intelligence and analytical support and oversight to the operational test and evaluation of weapon systems from all major Air Force acquisition programs and is responsible for ensuring the technical adequacy and credibility of all AFOTEC operational test plans and reports.



Colonel Herbranson entered the Air Force in 2002 as a graduate of Officer Training School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. As an Operations Research Analyst, he has served in several leadership positions at the laboratory, center, major command, joint command, and headquarters levels. Prior to his current assignment, he served as the Deputy Chief of

the Capability Integration Team, Headquarters United States Air Force, Air Force Futures.

EDUCATION:

- 1999 Bachelor of Science, Mathematics, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, Calif.
- 2002 Air and Space Basic Course, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2007 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2007 Master of Science, Operations Research, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright- Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, Distinguished Graduate
- 2012 Air Command and Staff College, in-resident equivalency credit
- 2016 Joint PME III, Norfolk, Va.
- 2020 Air War College, by correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS:

- 1. April 2002 August 2005, Human Factors Research Analyst, Air Force Research Lab, Wright- Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio
- August 2005 April 2007, graduate student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio
- 3. April 2007 October 2009, Operational Wargaming Analyst, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 4. October 2009 July 2010, Executive Officer to Director, Air Force Wargaming Institute, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- July 2010 May 2012, Senior Space Military Utility Analyst, Directorate of Studies, Analyses, Assessments, and Lessons Learned, Headquarters Air Force Space Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.
- 6. July 2011- December 2011, Strategic Communication Assessment Analyst, Headquarters, International Security Assistance Force, Kabul, Afghanistan
- 7. December 2011- February 2012, Senior Operations Analyst, Special Operations Joint Task Force, Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan
- 8. May 2012 August 2013, Assistant Executive Officer to the Executive Director, Headquarters Air Force Space Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.
- 9. August 2013 June 2016, Chief, Strategic Analysis Branch, Headquarters United States Air Force, Directorate of Studies, Analyses, Assessments, and Lessons Learned, Pentagon, Washington D.C.

- June 2016 June 2019, Chief, Operations Analysis Branch, United States Forces Korea, Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations, Plans Directorate, Operations Analysis Branch, Yongsan Garrison and Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea
- 11. June 2019 June 2022, Chief Analyst and Executive Officer, Joint Staff, Directorate for Force Structure, Resources, and Assessment, Force Application Division, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
- 12. June 2022 July 2023, Deputy Capability Integration Team, Headquarters United States Air Force, Air Force Futures, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
- 13. July 2023 Present, Director of Intelligence, Analyses, and Assessments, Headquarters Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center, Kirtland Air Force Base, N. M.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS:

- 1. June 2016 June 2019, Chief, Operations Analysis Branch, United States Forces Korea, Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations, Plans Directorate, Operations Analysis Branch, Yongsan Garrison and Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea as a Lieutenant Colonel
- June 2019 June 2022, Chief Analyst and Executive Officer, Joint Staff, Directorate for Force Structure, Resources, and Assessment, Force Application Division, Pentagon, Washington D.C. as a Lieutenant Colonel

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster Joint Service Commendation Medal Air and Space Commendation Medal Air and Space Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant	April 5, 2002
First Lieutenant	April 5, 2004
Captain	April 5, 2006
Major	February 1, 2012
Lieutenant Colonel	January 1, 2017
Colonel	February 1, 2024