Bunch Reflects on First Year in Command, Outlines AFMC Future

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio (AFNS) — When Gen. Arnold W. Bunch Jr. took command of the Air Force Materiel Command on May 31, 2019, his first goal was to get “regrounded” in the diverse missions and responsibilities spread across AFMC’s six centers and 87,000 Airmen.

“When I came here, I thought I understood the command since I was part of it when it was started in 1992, and I spent most of my career in it. What I learned is that there is so much more that goes on that I needed to understand more deeply,” Bunch said. 

During a year that has included an Air Force-wide focus on modernization, lethality, and readiness through faster, more agile business processes, the ability of AFMC to successfully meet the needs of the National Defense Strategy was a major focus of Bunch’s first year as commander.
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I work at the NSWC Crane Division, where I research tactics, strategies, and capabilities, generate and propose concepts/ideas, build collaborations, develop workforce, mentor, lead projects, and invent. My current research efforts focus on maritime gray zone operations, unmanned vehicle applications with non-kinetic and non-lethal payloads, and wireless power, including, utility applications, modeling and simulation assessment capabilities, and technology/capability maturations. I consistently work with other subject matter experts to help realize these aforementioned concepts. Moreover, these projects persistently incorporate interns and sponsor senior design projects to help further the objectives.

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