



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES TRANSPORTATION COMMAND

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Maj. Gen. Gregory E. Couch

Maj. Gen. Gregory E. Couch is chief of staff, United States Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill. He is responsible to the commander for the effective coordination of all staff activities in a global command of 156,000 personnel. USTRANSCOM is engaged in around-the-clock transportation planning and support to the Department of Defense and its war fighting unified commands.

EDUCATION

1979 Kansas State University, bachelor of science degree food technology
1980 Quartermaster Officer Basic and Advanced Courses
1986 Combined Arms and Services Staff School
1988 Logistics Executive Development Course -- Florida Institute of Technology, master of science degree in logistics management
1989 United States Army Command and General Staff College
2002 United States Army War College, master of science degree in strategic studies



ASSIGNMENTS

May 1979 - November 1979, student, Quartermaster Officer Basic and Food Management Courses, Fort Lee, Va.
November 1979 - October 1980, assistant S4, 4th Brigade, 4th Infantry Division, Wiesbaden, Germany
October 1980 - October 1981 platoon leader, Company A, 8th Supply and Transportation Battalion, Bad Kreuznach, Germany
October 1981 - December 1982, class I officer, 8th Infantry Division Material Management Center, Bad Kreuznach, Germany
December 1982 - August 1983, student, Quartermaster Officer Advanced and General Troop Support Materiel Management Courses, Fort Lee, Va.
August 1983 - March 1984, Class II and IV accountable officer, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas
April 1984 - March 1986, support operations officer, 1st Forward Support Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas
March 1986 - August 1986, commander, Company A, 1st Forward Support Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas
August 1986 - June 1987, commander, Company A, 115th Support Battalion (Forward), 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas
June 1987 - May 1988, student, Logistics Executive Development Course, Fort Lee, Va.
May 1988 - November 1988, student, Graduate School, Florida Institute of Technology, Fort Lee, Va.
November 1988 - July 1990, logistics operations officer, United States Disciplinary Barracks, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
July 1990 - November 1990, Control Group
November 1990 - March 1991 aircraft maintenance officer, 326th Area Support Group, Kansas City, Kan.
April 1991 - April 1994, field services officer, 326th Area Support Group, Kansas City, Kansas
April 1994 - December 1995, plans and operations officer, 326th Area Support Group, Kansas City, Kan.
December 1995 - August 1997, executive officer, 317th Quartermaster Battalion, Lawrence, Kansas
September 1997 - February 1999, chief, Supply and Maintenance Division, 89th Regional Support

Command, Wichita, Kan.
 February 1999 - September 1999, assistant deputy chief of staff, Logistics, 89th Regional Support Command, Wichita, Kan.
 October 1999 - September 2002, commander, 809th Quartermaster Battalion, Fremont, Nebraska
 October 2002 - September 2004, commander, 917th Corps Support Group, Belton, Mo.
 September 2004 - November 2005, commander, 917th Corps Support Group, Iraq
 November 2005 - January 2006, commander, 917th Corps Support Group, Belton, Missouri
 January 2006 - September 2006, deputy commander, 9th Theater Support Command, Fort Belvoir, Va.
 September 2006 - November 2006, commander, 316th, Sustainment Command (Expeditionary), Coraopolis, Pa.
 November 2006 - February 2009, commander, 316th, Sustainment Command (Expeditionary), Iraq
 February 2009 - August 2010, director for operations and plans mobilization assistant, United States Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill.
 August 2010 - present, chief of staff, United States Transportation Command

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

February 2009 - August 2010, director for operations and plans mobilization assistant, United States Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill.
 August 2010 - present, chief of staff, United States Transportation Command

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit
 Bronze Star Medal
 Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters)
 Army Commendation Medal (with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters)
 Army Achievement Medal (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters)

SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS

Combat Action Badge
 Parachutist Badge

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Component</u>	<u>Date</u>
Second Lieutenant	RA	May 18, 1979
First Lieutenant	RA	Feb. 21, 1981
Captain	RA	April 4, 1983
Major	USAR	June 5, 1991
Lieutenant Colonel	USAR	May 30, 1998
Colonel	USAR	Nov. 19, 2002
Brigadier General	USAR	April 27, 2007
Major General	USAR	Dec. 22, 2010

(Current as of January 2011)