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MEDIA RELEASE: Armor School commandant reassigned

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FORT BENNING, Ga. --- The chief of staff of the Army, Gen. Raymond T. Odierno, has announced that Col. Paul J. Laughlin II will leave Fort Benning for a new assignment in the Republic of Korea.

The date of his departure from Fort Benning has not been announced.

Laughlin, the Commandant of the U.S. Army Armor School and 47th Chief of Armor since August 2012, has been reassigned to the 2nd Infantry Division, 8th U.S. Army. He will serve as the division's deputy commander - maneuver.

A native of Pittsburg, Pa., Laughlin grew up in Kingston, N.Y. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant in Armor upon his graduation from Springfield College in Massachusetts. He is only the third Armor School commandant to serve at Fort Benning since the Armor School's move from Fort Knox, Ky.

Laughlin was nominated for promotion to brigadier general in December 2012 and his nomination was confirmed on January 1, 2013 by the U.S. Senate. A date for his promotion ceremony has not been scheduled.

His official biography and photograph are available through the Maneuver Center of Excellence Public Affairs Office.

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