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## **SGT. MAJ. MATTHEW BROOKSHIRE, SERGEANT MAJOR, MARINE AIR GROUND TASK FORCE TRAINING COMMAND, MARINE AIR GROUND COMBAT CENTER, RETIRES**

MARINE CORPS AIR GROUND COMBAT CENTER TWENTYNINE PALMS, Calif. – After 26 years of faithful service to the United States Marine Corps, Sgt. Maj. Matthew B. Brookshire will relinquish his post as MAGTFTC, MCAGCC Sergeant Major to Sgt Maj. Karl Villalino at a relief, appointment and retirement ceremony at Lance Corporal Torrey L. Gray Field MONDAY.

Sergeant Major Brookshire enlisted in the Marine Corps on 10 June 1987. He graduated from Bravo Company, 1st Recruit Training Battalion, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, South Carolina, in September 1987.

In August 2004, Sergeant Major Brookshire reported to Charlie Company, Infantry Training Battalion, School of Infantry, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, where he served as the Company First Sergeant.

In February 2006, he was promoted to his current rank and assumed the duties as the Infantry Training Battalion Sergeant Major. From October 2007 to December 2009 Sergeant Major Brookshire served as the Sergeant Major of 2d Battalion, 7th Marines, 1st Marine Division, Twentynine Palms, California.

From April - December 2008, he deployed with the battalion to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom where he served as Task Force 2/7 Sergeant Major. In January 2010, Sergeant Major Brookshire assumed the duties as the Recruit Training Regiment Sergeant Major, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, South Carolina.

Sergeant Major Brookshire assumed the duties of his current assignment as the Marine Air Ground Task Force Training Command, Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms California Sergeant Major on 28 November 2011.

### **\*\*\*\*MEDIA COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS\*\*\*\***

**Media interested in covering this event must call the MCAGCC Public Affairs Office at (760) 830-6213 and must RSVP no later than 6 a.m. MONDAY. Members of the media who have RSVP'd will meet at MCAGCC's MAIN GATE located on Adobe Rd. at 7:30 A.m. MONDAY to be escorted to the event. Please plan to remain on base for at least two hours.**