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Tennessee National Guard promotes new Commander to Smyrna Battalion

SMYRNA, TN – Former Tullahoma, Tenn., resident Brent Jones was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the Tennessee National Guard during a formal ceremony held January 10, in Smyrna.

Jones assumed command of the Special Troops Battalion, 230th Sustainment Brigade headquartered in Smyrna from Lt. Col. Steven Barney.

“Jones brings extensive knowledge to the Battalion. He is well established and highly qualified for his duties and has my absolute trust” said Col. William Del Castillo, Commander of the 230th Sustainment Brigade. He added, “Lt. Col. Jones was responsible for overseeing one of the largest logistical operations of military and civilian equipment since World War II during a recent overseas deployment.”

Lt. Col. Jones said, “This position is a tremendous honor, not only to be commander of the Brigade, but also to be promoted in military rank during the ceremony. I am grateful for the opportunity and will do all I can to support the unit and the overall Battalion in my new position.”

Numerous National Guard dignitaries, including Maj. Gen. Max Haston, The Adjutant General of Tennessee, Maj. Gen. Robert Harris, the Assistant Adjutant General, Army, along with family and friends were present for the event. The 230th Special Troops Battalion provides command and control, combat logistics and support to organic, assigned, and attached units of the 230th Sustainment Brigade.

PHOTO CAPTION:

Photo 1: Tennessee National Guard Lt. Col. Brent Jones, a native of Tullahoma, Tenn., speaks to a group of dignitaries, family and friends upon assuming command of the Special Troops Battalion, 230th Sustainment Brigade headquartered in Smyrna. The ceremony was held at the Volunteer Training Site in Smyrna on January 10, 2014.

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