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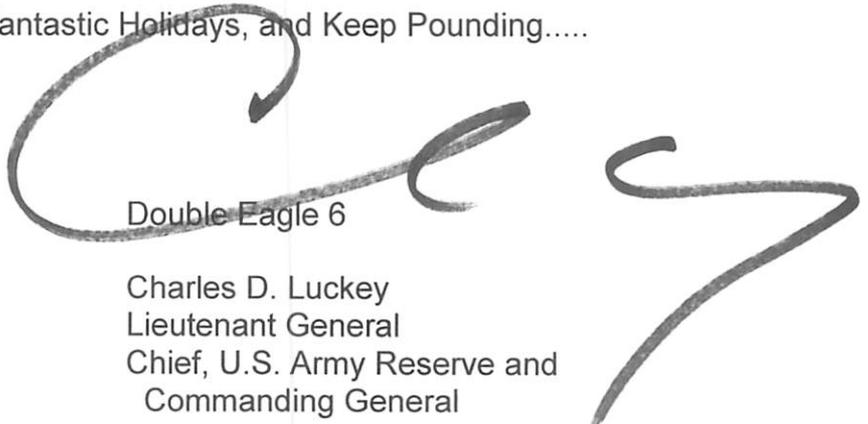
Season's Greetings!

As we enjoy the holiday season, I wanted to remind you of how much I appreciate your dedicated service to the People of the United States. As teammates in America's Army Reserve, you and your Families form the "real one percent" of America; citizens who sacrifice and risk much for the cause of Liberty. This is no small thing. You are a critical piece of an elite group, and you are breaking trail on the Road to Awesome. Serving as your leader is the coolest, and most humbling, responsibility I have ever known.

This is a great time of year, but it can also be a stressful one for some of us. I want you to enjoy your families and friends, but I also want you to take extra good care of yourself. Remain focused on safety and keep an eye on your buddy. Some of us have sustained losses over the past year and, almost ironically, this season tends to remind us of them. Be mindful of that reality and go the extra mile to show compassion and embrace the friendships in your life. As American Soldiers we have two things that many of our fellow-citizens do not. We have an incredibly important mission, and we have the most awesome team in the history of civilization. Don't ever forget it.

As we press into the New Year, stay focused on maintaining all three aspects of your fitness: Intellectual, Spiritual and Physical. Each is essential and mutually supports the other two. You'll want all three in your rucksack as we trek into the territory ahead. We are America's Army Reserve and we are on the path to becoming the most capable, combat-ready, and lethal Federal Reserve force in the history of the Nation. It's how we roll.

Have fantastic Holidays, and Keep Pounding.....



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