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Memorandum for Office of Secretary of Defense (DASD Arctic & Global Resilience and Global Partnerships), U.S. Northern Command, Alaskan Command and Defense Security Cooperation Agency

From: Senior Advisor, Arctic Security Affairs (SAASA), Ted Stevens Center for Arctic Security Studies

Subject: Plan and Run of Show for TSC Opening Ceremony, 11 August 2022.

Distinguished Senior Leaders,

The below is the plan and run of show for the TSC Opening Ceremony, 11 August 2022, at the former Mt Spurr Elementary School, 8414 McGuire Ave, JBER, AK 99506, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson Alaska.

This ceremony intends to serve as an introduction to the Stevens Center for the Arctic Security Community, in recognition of the TSC achieving “Initial Operating Capacity” and therefore considered a “soft” opening for the Center. A formal “ribbon cutting” event with invited International and U.S. VIPs is planned after the TSC achieves “Full Operating Capacity” and after the TSC’s facility is refurbished.

Note: Opening Ceremony invited a number of international guests, but nearly all have regretted due to August as the planned time for summer vacation.

The opening ceremony in brief:

- The timeframe for the ceremony is 0900-1020 Alaska Daylight Time. The location of this outdoor event is in front of the former school, with covered seating for approximately 100 personnel (via portable rain canopies) in the parking area of the school.
- An elevated stage will seat all the planned speakers. Anchored flags are posted at the rear and flanking the stage.
- The stage is planned to be covered (and can be removed if the weather is clear) and on and flanking the stage are two podiums...one for the Master of Ceremonies and one for the distinguished speakers.
- Master of ceremonies is TSC Sr Advisor for Arctic Security Affairs, Randy “Church” Kee, Maj Gen, USAF (Ret).
- The event will be simulcast via Zoom.gov. The primary link is here:
<https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1601504013>
 - The Zoom meeting will be recorded and posted to our website at tedstevensarcticcenter.org.
- TSC has not specifically invited the press to this event but is planning a media release via Public Affairs at the Office of the Secretary of Defense and Defense Security Cooperation Agency.
- TSC is anticipating approximately 80-100 persons at the event but it may be less if the weather conditions are inclement. Further, travel from Washington D.C. to Anchorage has been a challenge forcing several planned guests to shift their plans to a virtual event.



- Current forecast is cloudy, with 20% chance of rain, rain likely in the hours that follow the ceremony, temperatures approximately 60 Degrees F.
- Adjacent to the podium is a JBER “Standard” Log Cabin Sign placed on skids (as the TSC does not yet have the awaited permit) that will support the ceremonial “open for business” sign that our distinguished speakers will nail the sign to the vertical posts via ceremonial hammers (each hammer is a memento for the VIP using the tool to place a nail).

Invited and confirmed Distinguished Visitors for the event (note, this listing has not been coordinated in sequencing by Protocol):

- Mrs. Catherine Stevens, widow of the late Senator Stevens and members of the Stevens Family.
- General Glen VanHerck, USAF, Commander North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) and U.S. Northern Command (USNORTHCOM).
- General Ken Wilsbach, Commander, Pacific Air Forces.
- Admiral Linda Fagan, USCG, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard.
- Principal Deputy (PD) to the Assistant SecDef for Homeland Defense and Hemispheric Affairs, Ms. Jennifer Walsh.
- Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (DASD) for Global Partnerships, Ms. Michelle Struck.
- Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Mr. Jim Hursch.
- Senator Lisa Murkowski (R-AK).
- Senator Dan Sullivan (R-AK).
- Representing the Governor of Alaska, Lt. Governor Kevin Meyer.
- Former Alaska Lt Governor, Mr. Mead Treadwell.
- President, Alaska Federation of Natives, Ms. Julie Kitka.
- General Carroll, “Howie” Chandler, USAF (Ret).
- Lt Gen David Krumm, USAF, Commander Alaskan Command, Alaskan NORAD Region, and 11th Air Force.
- Lt Gen David Nahom, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans & Programs, Headquarters USAF. (Incoming Commander Alaskan Command, Alaskan NORAD Region, and 11th Air Force).
- Lt Gen Kirk Pierce, USAF, Commander, 1st Air Force.
- MG Brian Eiffler, USA, Commander, 11th Airborne Division (Arctic)

The planned run of show is as follows:

- 0850 Participants to their seats. Speakers take their seats on stage.
- 0900 (Sharp) Welcome from the TSC Sr Advisor for Arctic Security Affairs, Randy “Church” Kee.
- 0904 Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson Honor Guard posts the Colors with 9th Army Band performs National Anthem and State of Alaska Flag Song.
- 0908 Invocation from Deputy Installation Chaplain, 673 ABW, Chaplain (Lt Col) Eun S. Kim, USAF.
- 0913 Land blessing from Alaska Native Village of Eklutna, Chief Aaron Leggett.
- 0920 Remarks and introduction of opening address, Commander, Alaskan Command, Alaskan NORAD Region and 11th Air Force, Lt Gen David Krumm, USAF.
- 0925 Opening address from Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) and U.S. Northern Command (USNORTHCOM), General Glen VanHerck, USAF.
- 0935 Remarks from Commandant, US Coast Guard, Admiral Linda Fagan.
- 0940 Remarks from Principal Deputy to the Assistant SecDef for Homeland Defense and Hemispheric Affairs, Ms. Jennifer Walsh.



- 0945 Remarks from Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Global Partnerships, Ms. Michelle Struck.
- 0950 Remarks from Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Mr. Jim Hursch.
- 0955 Remarks from Senator Lisa Murkowski (R-AK).
- 1000 Remarks from AK representative, Senator Dan Sullivan (R-AK).
- 1005 Remarks from the Governor of Alaska, Lt. Governor Kevin Meyer.
- 1010 Hanging of the “Open for Business” sign below the TSC sign, (posted near the stage)
- General VanHerck, Mrs. Stevens, Senator Murkowski, Senator Sullivan, PD ASD Walsh, DASD Strucke, Director Hursch, and Lt Gov Meyer.
 - Total of 8 “golden hammer” VIPs, (sequenced two at a time/one on each side):
 - a. General VanHerck and Mrs. Stevens.
 - b. PD ASD Walsh and DASD Strucke
 - c. Senator Murkowski and Senator Sullivan
 - d. Director Hursch and Lt Gov Meyer
 - Note: each pair of VIPs will be met by an escort with hammer, nails and safety glasses and guide to the sign for securing, which is held in place by TSC personnel. Following the nailing, each VIP will stand off to the side (eastward/streetside away from the sign) awaiting the subsequent nailing. After the last nails are in...the group will reassemble around the sign for a photo.
 - Note: ALCOM/ANR/11 AF Commander, USCG Commandant Incoming and outgoing ALCOM/ANR and 11 AF Commanders, and TSC Sr Advisor join in group photo following the last nail set as described above.
 - When TSC Sr Advisor departs the podium, the TSC Deputy Advisor Craig Fleener takes over to announce the conclusion of the ceremony following the photo.
- 1020 525th Fighter Squadron Formation Flyover, conclusion and invitation to join for refreshment

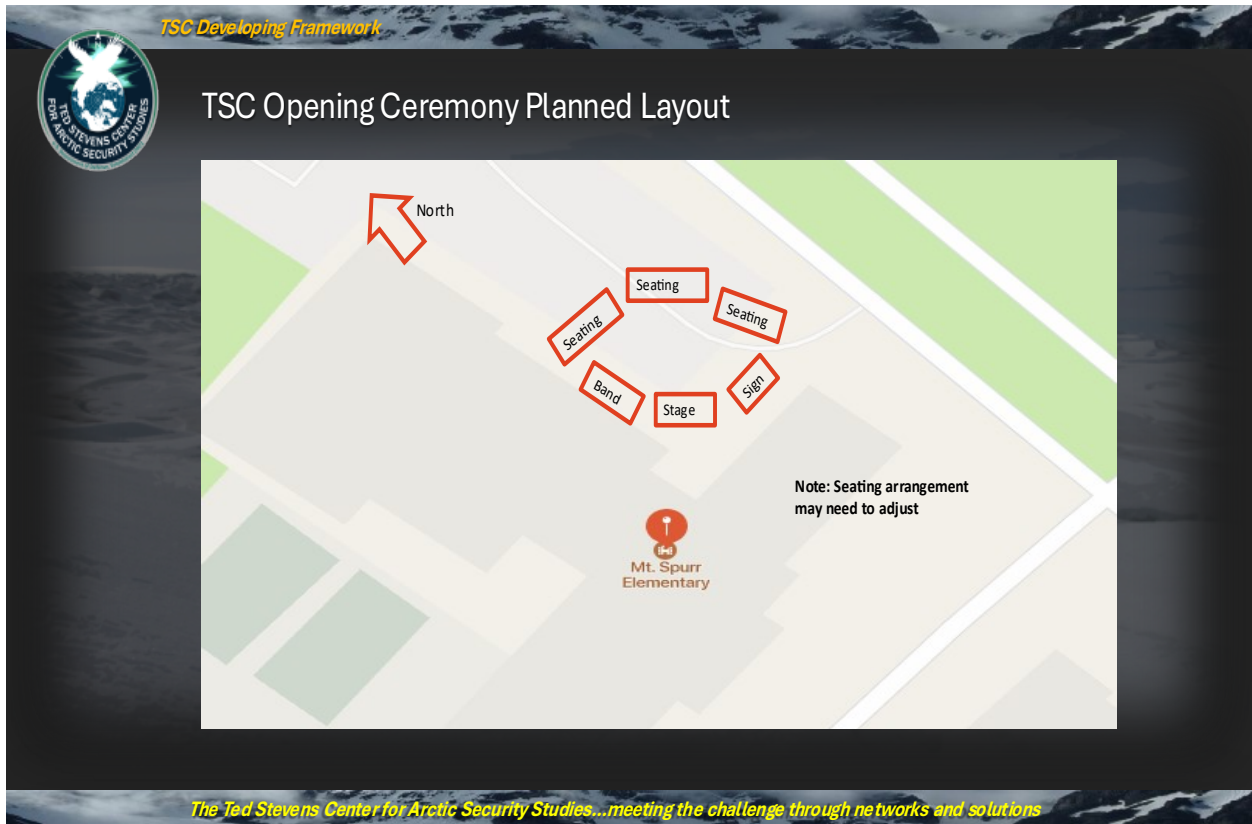
Note: Officiating Officer and Party departs for ALCOM, ANR and 11th Air Force Change of Command

Following the ceremony, guests will be invited into the facility for an overview.

On display will be several items of memorabilia from Senator Stevens collection.

The opening ceremony planned layout:





Virtual TSC Opening Ceremony information

Time: Aug 11, 2022 09:00 Alaska Join ZoomGov Meeting

<https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1601504013>

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Conclusions/way forward.

The TSC is very appreciative of the time and investment of the array of distinguished speakers and invited guests and looks forward to hosting a more elaborate event with the formal Center ribbon cutting after achieving Full Operating Capacity and refurbishing the planned facility.

Very respectfully,



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