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Brigadier General Andrus Merilo Deputy Chief of Defense Juhkentali 58 15008 TALLINN ESTONIA

Dear General Merilo:

On behalf of General Randy A. George, Chief of Staff, United States Army, I cordially invite you to the 31st annual United States Army Europe and Africa Conference of European Armies (CEA), to be held in Garmisch, Germany, from June 10 to 12, 2024.

The CEA provides a forum for open and frank discussions among the chiefs of land forces from more than 40 countries. The conference contributes to our common goals of increasing understanding, improving cooperation, and supporting peace and stability. There will be ample opportunity to develop meaningful relationships in both formal and informal settings. This year's theme is "The Future of Warfighting: Building Combat Ready Forces Through Transformation."

If you plan to attend, please have your staff notify the conference planner, Major Hobin Lee, by May 3 at email: *g5-iod-conference-team@army.mil*. My staff will assist with arrangements and provide a registration packet to your staff for coordination and planning purposes.

I look forward to hosting you in Garmisch.

Sincerely,

Darryl A. Williams General, U.S. Army Commanding