



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL ROBIN L. GIBSON

Colonel Robin L. Gibson is the Deputy Director of Communications for Headquarters, United States Air Forces in Europe–Air Forces Africa. She is responsible for providing communications and information strategic direction, policy and resources for USAFE–AFAFRICA forces. Additionally, she ensures these global forces have integrated, responsive, and reliable command and control, intelligence, postal, and combat communications support. She supports NATO, unified commanders, coalitions, air and space expeditionary forces and USAFE–AFAFRICA units during wartime, operations other than war, contingencies, exercises and daily operations.



Colonel Gibson was commissioned into the Air Force through the ROTC program at Worcester Polytechnic Institute as a graduate of Clark University. She came to USAFE–AFAFRICA following her assignment as the Director of Communications for the NATO Special Operations Component Command–Afghanistan (NSOCC–A) and US Special Operations Joint Task Force–Afghanistan (SOJTF–A) and was responsible for providing command, control, communications, computers, combat systems, intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance capability for 10,000 US and NATO special operations personnel throughout Afghanistan. Previous assignments include Chief, Cyber Security Division for Nuclear Command and Control Systems Support Staff, USSTRATCOM and Commander of the 82d Communications Support Squadron. Colonel Gibson has deployed five times throughout the USCENTCOM AOR in support of Operations SOUTHERN WATCH, ENDURING FREEDOM, IRAQI FREEDOM, and FREEDOM’S SENTINEL in support of RESOLUTE SUPPORT in strategic, operational and tactical units.

EDUCATION

- 1992 Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, Clark University, Worcester, Mass.
- 1998 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2003 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by seminar
- 2003 Master of Science, Information Systems Management, University of Phoenix, Sierra Vista, Ariz.
- 2005 Master of Science, Strategic Leadership, Air Force Institute of Technology Intermediate Developmental Education, Wright–Patterson AFB, Ohio
- 2011 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by distance learning
- 2013 Joint Combined Warfighting College (Joint Professional Military Education II), National Defense University, Norfolk Naval Air Station, Va.

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

- 2012 National Training Standard for Information Systems Security 4011–Information Security Professional
- 2013 National Training Standard for Information Systems Security 4012–Senior Systems Manager
- 2013 National Training Standard for Information Systems Security 4015–System Certifier
- 2013 National Training Standard for Information Systems Security 4016–Risk Analyst

ASSIGNMENTS

1. January 1993–Student, 13BX, Basic Operations Management Officer Course, Keesler Air Force Base, Miss.
2. February 1993–April 1994, Adjutant/Squadron Section Commander, 91st Air Refueling Squadron, Malmstrom AFB, Mont.

3. April 1994–October 1995, Executive Officer, 341st Mission Support Squadron, Malmstrom AFB, Mont.
4. October 1995–August 1997, Executive Officer, 354th Logistics Group, Eielson AFB, Alaska
5. August 1997–September 1998, Flight Commander, Mission Systems, 354th Communications Squadron, Eielson AFB, Alaska
6. September 1998–October 1998, Student, Squadron Officer School, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
7. October 1998–January 2000, War and Contingency Plans Officer, 609th Air Communications Squadron, Shaw AFB, S.C.
8. January 2000–February 2002, Director of Operations, Network Operations and Security Center (Deployed), 609th Air Communications Squadron, Shaw AFB, S.C.
9. February 2002–May 2005, Command & Control, Communications, Computers, and Intelligence Warfighter Officer, Joint Interoperability Test Command, Defense Information Systems Agency, Fort Huachuca, Ariz.
10. May 2005–June 2006, Student, Air Force Institute of Technology Intermediate Developmental Education, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
11. July 2006–June 2008, Chief, Operations Information Assurance/Assessments Branch, Directorate of Communications, Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va.
12. June 2008–June 2010, Commander, 82d Communications Support Squadron, Air Combat Command Communications Group, Langley AFB, Va.
13. June 2010–July 2013, Chief, Cyber Operations and Information Assurance Branch, US Nuclear Command and Control Systems Support Staff, USSTRATCOM, Falls Church, Va.
14. July 2013–May 2014, Chief, Cyber Security Division, US Nuclear Command and Control Systems Support Staff, USSTRATCOM, Falls Church, Va.
15. May 2014–June 2015, Director of Communications, NATO Special Operations Component Command and US Special Operations Joint Task Force–Afghanistan, Kabul, Afghanistan
16. July 2015–Present, Deputy Director, Communications, Headquarters, United States Air Forces in Europe–Air Forces Africa, Ramstein Air Base, Germany

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MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Bronze Star
 Defense Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster
 Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
 Air Force Commendation Medal
 Joint Service Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster
 Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster
 Afghanistan Campaign Medal
 Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant	September 22, 1992
First Lieutenant	September 22, 1994
Captain	September 22, 1996
Major	March 1, 2003
Lieutenant Colonel	March 1, 2008
Colonel	June 1, 2014

(Current as of November 2016)