

# Worldwide VTC Global Combat Support System – Army (GCSS-Army) Program Update 15 April 2013

## MEETING ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

<b>Date</b>	15 April 2013
<b>Time</b>	0900-1100
<b>Co-Host</b>	Deputy Chief of Staff, G-4 (DSC, G-4), LTG Mason and the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army, Financial Management and Comptroller (PDASA FM&C), Mr. Speer
<b>Scribe</b>	Mr. Larrabee, G-46
<b>Briefers</b>	COL Barnes, CASCOM, LTC Domke, PM GCSS-Army, Mr. Harold Whittington, PM GCSS-Army, Mr. Phil Simard, ASA(FM&C)
<b>Release Date</b>	01 May 2013
<b>Purpose</b>	The purpose of the session is to provide logisticians and resource managers a status and road ahead on the GCSS-Army program update.

## OVERVIEW:

To access the briefing and DCO taping first log onto DCO <https://connectcol.dco.dod.mil> before clicking <https://connectcol.dco.dod.mil/p563mzdlzsf> to access taping.

Opening Remarks (1:54-12:20)

CASCOM Help Desk (12:23-31:59)

GFEBs Fielding in support of GCSS-Army (32:00-37:25)

- GCSS-Army (37:28-1:14:29)
- Fielding Schedule (37:28-42:26)
- Lessons Learned (42:27-56:09)
- Fielding Group 6/7 update (56:10-1:05:07)
- Furlough/Blackout (1:05:07-1:11:11)
- Resource Tools (Slide 38 1:12:04)

CASCOM's Institutional Trainings strategy/Timeline (1:14:30-1:30:50)

Q & A (1:30:53-1:39:20)

Closing Remarks (1:39:25-1:43:30)

Enclosure 1: Action Items

Enclosure 2: Questions and Answers asked via DCO

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Attendees received a status on help desk performance, the revised fielding schedule, key lessons learned, scorecard feedback, and an update on Institutional training.
- GCSS-Army fielding and GFEBs fielding in support of GCSS-Army is on track.

For details on what was briefed, please review the meeting via the DCO link above

## POINT OF CONTACT

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Enclosure 1: Action Items

#	Topic Briefing	Action	Action Office/Lead	POC	Status/Comments	Suspense/Status
04152013-01	GCCS-Army Update	Provide an in-depth look at SASMO roles & responsibilities in support of GCCS-Army and training.	CASCOM	Mr Thurston		Next Worldwide GCCS-Army VTC
04152013-02	GCCS-Army Update	For the GCCS-Army scorecard, include the number of customers of the SSA (puts the level of effort into context)	PdM, GCCS-Army	Mr. Whittington	Completed	ASAP
04152013-03	GCCS-Army Update	Regarding the issue that the program needs to hire additional government employees to meet the increased fielding, need to lay out for senior leadership at what time is auditability by 2017 at risk.	PdM, GCCS-Army	LTC Domke		ASAP
04152013- 04	Institutional Training	a) Address integrated CASCOM institutional training strategy and schedule (log, finance, personnel) to include GCCS-Army related instruction at the Finance and Personnel Schools. b) Address recommended strategy for GCCS-Army training for DA civilians.	CASCOM	Mr. Moore		Next Worldwide GCCS-Army VTC
04152013- 05	Institutional Training	Address what additional institutional education/training will be provided outside of the CASCOM school system (e.g., non-logistics career courses, ILE, War College, etc.)	CASCOM	Mr. Moore		Next Worldwide GCCS-Army VTC
04152013 -06	GCCS-Army Update	AMC has the LRC here at JBLE, responsible for providing the maintenance and ASP support for all tenants, but the SSA SARSS operations remains with the Air Force. Is there a plan to train up the Air Force RM on GFEBs to ensure a seamless transition to GCCS-A?	PdM, GCCS-Army	Mr. Whittington		ASAP

Enclosure 2: Questions and Answers asked via DCO

<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>	<b>Responding Agency</b>
When will the sustainment training start? I am an instructor at the Army Reserve Training Center and want to know when will we be able to teach GCSS-Army?	<i>The draft POI's will be implemented this coming January for all institutional training concerning Plant Maintenance with legacy SAMS-E being removed from the course map on/about 1 Jan 14. The Property Accountability business areas of GCSS-Army (Unit Supply &amp; Property Book) under revision and the QM Commandant has push the training to right, around 2QFY15</i>	CASCOM
Question along the same lines as CW3 Small's. I instruct at the 919A Course at Ft. Leonard Wood, MO. Is there a plan in place for us to receive the training required to start training students here at FLW, MO?	<i>CASCOM TD is conducting a Pilot Class (WAVE 2) this coming July to the 915A Advanced Course to validate the training and then deliver it as a portion of the Instructor &amp; Key Personnel Training I&amp;KPT sometime within the 1QFY14. The I&amp;KPT target audience will include instructors and developers from regional training sites including the Army Reserve and Fort Leonard Wood. The dates for I&amp;KPT have not been cemented, but once they are, the PM will disseminate the dates and requirements to all Schools and regional training centers i.e.; FLVA, FBGA, FLW, FSOK, FGGA, etc.</i>	CASCOM
Is there any provision to conduct training for civilians? BG Bingham	<i>CASCOM has determined this to be a requirement that we need to include within the strategy and have initiated an IPR with the Training Directorate, PM and Soldier Support Institute to establish a way ahead for training civilians. A target date for completion of this action is yet to be determined.</i>	CASCOM
We have the same questions as previously asked will there be sustainment set-up with PME for user level training with the GCSS-Army systems (Sustainment training), JMTC has CATC with PBUSE, SAMSE, SARSS training available for end users.	<i>CASCOM TD is conducting a Pilot Class (WAVE 2) this coming July to the 915A Advanced Course to validate the training and then deliver it as a portion of the Instructor &amp; Key Personnel Training I&amp;KPT sometime within the 1QFY14. The I&amp;KPT target audience will include instructors and developers from regional training sites including the Army Reserve and Fort Leonard Wood. The dates for I&amp;KPT have not been cemented, but once they are, the PM will disseminate the dates and requirements to all Schools and regional training centers i.e.; FLVA, FBGA, FLW, FSOK, FGGA, etc.</i>	CASCOM
Will the recording be in the same location as the slides?	<i>Ms Hood, the recording was an initial attempt to gather additional information to post to the web. We are in the process of editing the video before we post anything. Check the AKO link in the next 30 days to see if we posted any of the recording</i>	HQDA G-46
What about minutes, when will they be posted?	<i>We are in the process of reviewing the video of the WWVTC and it will be posted to the same AKO link as the briefs were. <a href="https://www.us.army.mil/suite/files/39736846">https://www.us.army.mil/suite/files/39736846</a></i>	HQDA G-46
CAISI/VSAT is a new term please define in minutes Karan Branch-Medlock HQ AMC	<i>The following link has some information on CAISI and VSAT; <a href="http://www.fas.org/man/dod-101/sys/land/wsh2012/72.pdf">http://www.fas.org/man/dod-101/sys/land/wsh2012/72.pdf</a></i>	HQDA G-46
How will responses be published?	<i>We will post the answers to the questions that were asked on the same AKO link from your invite. <a href="https://www.us.army.mil/suite/files/39736846">https://www.us.army.mil/suite/files/39736846</a></i>	HQDA G-46

<p>Can a list of the seven GFEBs roles be added to the slide pack?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>Funds Execution Controller</i></li> <li>2. <i>Funds Management Approver</i></li> <li>3. <i>Funds Management Maintainer</i></li> <li>4. <i>Funds Master Data Maintainer</i></li> <li>5. <i>BI Budget Reporter</i></li> <li>6. <i>Command Budget Reporter</i></li> <li>7. <i>ECC Budget Reporter</i></li> </ol> <p><i>End user mandatory computer-based training (CBT) that will average about 30 hours . End user Defense Connect Online (DCO) 'day-in-the-life' sessions and self-directed transaction exercises within training sandbox. Governance Risk and Compliance (GRC) users DCO training for conducting role assignment and approval processes</i></p>	<p>GFEBs</p>
<p>In the 7th Signal Command, we have units that have a maintenance mission, but are not authorized SAMS-E. Will these units be left out of GCSS-A fielding?</p>	<p><b><i>GCSS-Army is not a hardware program, and does not include any hardware, the general guidance has been that GCSS-Army "will fall in on" existing STAMIS hardware. If 7th Sig believes they have justification for a SAMS-E capability, recommend they contact DA G4 for an allocation. The unit would likely still get GCSS-Army if there is any logistics mission that involves financial accounting in GFEBs. If no MTOE authorized STAMIS hardware, CTA authorized hardware may be a viable alternative.</i></b></p>	<p>CASCOM</p>
<p>There was a memo signed by LTG Campbell on 31JAN13, saying All GCSS-A New Equip. Training is categorized as mission essential. It goes on to say that Units must ensure training is completed in accordance with PM's published fielding schedule. Doesn't this address issues related to furlough that were just discussed?</p>	<p><b><i>No, the letter from the G3 allows TDY, it does not allow us to ignore the furlough.</i></b></p>	<p>PM GCSS-Army</p>
<p>I see our state, MI ARNG, in 3 Q 14 on slide 21. Where can we find our Fielding Group?</p>	<p><b><i>GCSS-Army training material &amp; fielding schedule can be found at <a href="http://www.gcss.army.mil">www.gcss.army.mil</a></i></b></p>	<p>PM GCSS-Army</p>
<p>Will GCSS-Army be available whenever there is a web/internet outage?</p>	<p><b><i>No, if you are accessing via installation NEC provided communications. Yes, if you are operating on the tactical communications network (CAISI &amp; CSS VSAT)</i></b></p>	<p>PM GCSS-Army</p>
<p>How will ARMIS play into GCSS-A?</p>	<p><b><i>An established interface</i></b></p>	<p>PM GCSS-Army</p>
<p>Is CSS VSAT and CAISI still the transport to support GCSS-A when units are deployed?</p>	<p><b><i>Yes, the tactical communications network for GCSS-Army deployed is (CAISI &amp; CSS VSAT)</i></b></p>	<p>PM GCSS-Army</p>
<p>When will GCSS-Army be able to support other services without GFEBs such as Camp Lemonier in Djibouti, Africa? The SSA</p>	<p><b><i>We, along with CASCOM, are looking at a couple of different solutions right now to try and determine the best fit SSA's such as this one.</i></b></p>	<p>PM GCSS-Army</p>

is supported by a NAVY BOS contract.		
KM Rear Support. I am inquiring about systems being subsumed in to GCSS-A.	<i>SARSS,SAMS, and PBUSE at this time</i>	PM GCSS-Army

