#### **EDWIN TORRESCORTES**

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Accomplished US Army senior leader and military veteran with more than Eighteen years of experience within combined, joint, and component large to small organizations. Fifteen years of comprehensive Special Operations Forces community background specializing in Special Operation Medicine and Civil Affairs Operations in the Pacific Region Area of Operations. A cross-functional supervisor leading diverse staff and teams in readiness, planning, analysis, vulnerability mitigation, and mission execution in multinational and interagency operations in Nepal, Ghana, Philippines, Cambodia, and South Korea.

### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Executive Assistant and Engagement Specialist for Executive Director, Eighth Army Headquarters,
South Korea 03/2018 - 12/2020 65hrs per week

Executive Assistant for the Eighth Army three-star headquarters Executive Director. Oversaw Joint interagency, intergovernmental & multinational engagements facilitating and fostering relationships to build the Republic of Korea-United States (ROK-US) alliance and theater Good Neighbor Programs. Served as the Civil Affairs Cultural advisor for all external and internal engagements with ROK Distinguished Visitors. Principal enlisted advisor and spokesperson for the Executive Director to enforced policies and standards for enlisted Soldier performance, utilization, management, training, and readiness. Developed and prepared written and verbal products weekly for senior leaders (general officer/flag officer/senior executive service level). Supervised and coordinated dozens of international and domestic travel arrangements for executive leadership. Eighth Army Command Group Security Manager developed and maintained physical and operational security compliance. Utilized the Joint Personnel Adjudication System (JPAS) and the Defense Information System for Security (DISS) for all visit requests and mission requirements. Revamped Korean Foreign National employees access verification standards, tracking program that was later adopted as a tracking tool for Korean National Accesses across the Peninsula. Korean Theater Personnel travel Country Clearance (Special Area, Theater and Country) approver in the Aircraft and Personnel Automated Clearance System (APACS) for official and personal travel. Volunteered over 200 hours at Medical Simulation Training Center on Camp Humphreys for Army Combat Medical Personnel to enhance hands-on medical training, validate medical skills and ensure they are able to provide emergency medical treatment for preventable causes of death on any battlefield.

# Director, Civil-Military Operations, Eighth Army Headquarters, South Korea 12/2016 - 03/2018

65hrs per week

Operations manager for twenty-seven U.S. and Korean employees to conduct analysis, planning, and production of strategic, operational, and tactical Civil Affairs (CA) and medical operations. Orchestrated negotiation and mediation efforts with interagency and host nation colleagues to generate capacity building programs that increased host nation capabilities to resolve internal social and security issues. Results laid the

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framework to enable the host nation to address future international challenges. Executed over thirty cultural awareness initiatives in South Korea, resulting in new initiatives that ensured newly arriving personnel rapidly acclimated to the diverse local culture to maintain operational effectiveness and mission readiness. Provided Distinguished Visitor Liaison to US and Korean Department of State, Foreign Dignitaries and Congressional Delegations visitations to the Korean Peninsula. Coordinated all international and domestic travel arrangements, developed and maintained physical and security protocols. Utilized JPAS, DISS and APACS) for DV visit requests and other mission requirements.

## Director and Senior Medical Advisor, Civil-Military Operations, 97<sup>th</sup> Civil Affairs Battalion, Fort Bragg, NC 07 /2014 - 12/2016 60hrs per week

Special Operations Planner and Medical Advisor for a CA team consisting of six members during four unconventional and irregular warfare training exercises in Korea. Advised U.S. and Korean Special Forces community and executive leaders on operational readiness, critical planning criteria, and integrated targeting methodology for nesting CA operations in direct support of the U.S. and Korean Civil Military Operation Campaign Plan.

# Senior Medical Advisor, Civil-Military Operations, 97<sup>th</sup> Civil Affairs Battalion, Fort Bragg, NC 03/2006 - 07/2014

60 hrs per week

Medical Advisor and lead trainer for four separate US Army Joint Task Force's (Philippines) under hazardous conditions, crisis, and hostilities. Conducted multiple data collections and vulnerability surveys on the Republic of Philippine critical infrastructure of national security interest for the U.S. and Philippine governments. Analyzed, planned, and produced strategic, medical and tactical Civil Affairs Operations to mitigate capability gaps and vulnerabilities for the Department of State, Defense Intelligence Agency, U.S. Agency for International Development, and Non-Governmental Organizations. Coordinated with U.S. and Host Nation medical professionals, hospitals, and public health officials to develop plans relating to mass casualty incidents, conflict-affected areas, and internally displaced people. Developed critical relationships and rapport with local and provincial level leaders to synchronize missions during contingency operations. Lead Tactical Medicine and Human Rights trainer for host nation military and law enforcement training resulting in enhanced capabilities with the local population during emergencies and humanitarian operations.

### **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

Bachelors of Science, Emergency Medicine, 2016 | Western Carolina University | Cullowhee, NC

Special Operations Planner Course (Joint Special Operations University) | Irregular Warfare Course | Joint Antiterrorism Course | Unconventional Warfare Course | Special Operations Combat Medical Course | Operational Security Course Level II | Security Managers Course | Advanced Negotiations and Mediation Course | SERE-C High Risk | Strategic Communications Course | Operational Design Course | Civil Affairs Course | Bio-Surveillance Training | Disaster Response Coordination Training | Six Sigma Black Belt | Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education Level I and II Courses

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### **NOTABLE AWARDS**

Legion of Merit | Philippine Bronze Cross (Valor) | People to People International Award Recipient | Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal

#### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Top Secret (SCI) Security Clearance

Software: Microsoft Office Suite | ArcGIS| Analyst Notebook | Palantir | Bio-surveillance Portal | Combined Information Data Network Exchange (CIDNE) | Joint Personnel Adjudication System (JPAS) | Defense Information System for Security (DISS) | Aircraft and Personnel Automated Clearance System

Operating Systems: Microsoft Windows

Language: Spanish (Basic), Korean (Basic)

Medical: National Registry Emergency Medical Technician-Basic (Re-credentialing)