

Welcome to the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) family! I truly believe that you are becoming a part of something special. You will find that the 11th MEU is a very unique and active unit, in that we are going in several different directions, but all those different directions converge on a common goal. We are fortunate to be comprised of many talented Marines and Sailors, each of whom will enable our ability to remain at the forefront of ensuring our national security objectives are met. Together we comprise an extraordinary unit, and I'm confident you will find this assignment challenging, memorable and extremely rewarding.



The 11th MEU is a unique organization within the Marine Corps. Consisting of a command element, an aviation component, a ground component and a logistics component - as well as our Navy counterparts and their amphibious shipping - 11th MEU forward deploys to conduct routine engagement activities, as well as emergent crisis response. Regardless of your subject matter area of expertise or rank, as a member of the 11th MEU, you and your family will be a critical component to our success.

Nancy and I are extremely appreciative of the commitment you have made and the sacrifices you will endure, in service to our country and as part of the 11th MEU. In return, we pride ourselves on the strong bonds that will be forged throughout the MEU, as well as the support we provide to our families. I want to ensure that your immediate family understands that this command appreciates their many sacrifices and contributions. Our Family Readiness Program plays a key role in ensuring we are able to do just that, and we invite your immediate and/or extended family to become as involved as their time and desire permit. Along with the chain of command, our Family Readiness Officers, at the command element, and at each respective major subordinate element, will be doing everything possible to ensure the necessary support is available as the MEU begins in earnest our pre-deployment training program and subsequent deployment.

Nancy and I look forward to meeting you, and we are committed to making you feel part of the team. Once again, welcome to the 11th MEU family!

Colonel M. G. Trollinger
Commanding Officer

