MEDIA ALERT
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WHO: Islander ROTC Battalion Cadets and Officers; and Major Gen. Larry Wyche, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations at Army Materiel Command in Fort Belvoir, Va.

WHAT: ROTC Islander Battalion Commissioning Ceremony

WHEN: Friday, May 13, at 10 a.m.

WHERE: University Center Lone Star Ballroom at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

Islander ROTC Battalion Cadets to Receive Commissions in US Army

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – Eleven cadets from the Islander ROTC Battalion at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi will be commissioned as 2nd lieutenants in the United States Army during a ceremony on Friday, May 13, at 10 a.m. in the University Center Lone Star Ballroom.

Prior to receiving their bars, the new officers, their guests and families will be addressed by Maj. Gen. Larry Wyche, deputy chief of staff for Operations at Army Materiel Command in Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Wyche, Wyche, a 1983 graduate of the Island University, will also present Cadre Awards to two Islander Battalion staff members.

During the ceremony the cadets will be called to the stage individually where a family member or friend will pin the lieutenant’s bars on the cadet. The newly-commissioned officer will then exchange their first salute with a military mentor of their choice.

The Islander ROTC Battalion forms the College of Education's Department of Military Science. Courses in Military Science provide ROTC students training, and experience necessary to become officers in the US Army. Students simultaneously pursue a degree of their choice.

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