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MEMORANDUM FOR Service Members and Employees of the California Military
Department

FROM: HQ CA ANG/CC
9800 Goethe Rd
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SUBJECT: California Air National Guard Senior Leadership Announcement

1. I am pleased to announce Colonel Reed C. Drake as the next Commander of the 144th Fighter Wing, Fresno. Colonel Drake will replace Brigadier General Clay L. Garrison who has served as Wing Commander for more than three years and also as Assistant Adjutant General, Air since 1 June 2015. A formal change of command is being planned for the April 2016 UTA.
2. Colonel Drake began his military career in 1987 and progressed through a series of active Air Force assignments culminating as Commander and Test Pilot with the 53rd Test and Evaluation Group, Nellis AFB, Nevada. In January 2001, Colonel Drake transferred to the Missouri Air National Guard and served for over eight years as Operations Officer and Commander of the 110th Fighter Squadron. In July 2009, Colonel Drake transferred to the Montana Air National Guard where he served for two years as F-15 Transition Officer and Exercise/Evaluation Chief with the 120th Fighter Wing, located in Great Falls. Colonel Drake joined the 144th Fighter Wing, California Air National Guard in May, 2011 serving as Operations Group Commander and Vice Wing Commander.
3. We are indeed fortunate to continue capitalizing on the experience and proven leadership of these two senior officers. Please join me in congratulating and supporting Colonel Reed Drake and Brigadier General Clay Garrison for their continued service with the California Air National Guard.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon Kelk".

JON KELK
Major General
Commander