

## Change of Command at NCIA Squadron Stavanger - Joint Warfare Centre

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On Friday 31 August 2012, Norwegian Air Force Lieutenant Colonel Atle Eivind Kjosnes assumed command of the NATO Communications and Information Agency (NCIA) Squadron Stavanger.

The ceremony was conducted at the Joint Warfare Centre (JWC), where U.S. Army Colonel Frank J. Gonzales, Commander NCIA Sector Mons, appointed Lieutenant Colonel Kjosnes as the new Squadron Commander on behalf of Major General (Ret.) Koenen Gijsbers, the General Manager of NCIA. Lieutenant Colonel Kjosnes assumed command from Commander Arild Roed, who returns to his previous assignment as the Squadron Deputy Commander and Head of the Command Branch after performing the duties of Acting Squadron Commander since April 2011. On behalf of the NCIA General Manager, Colonel Gonzales passed on the recognition for his leadership, contribution and dedicated commitment to both the Squadron and the JWC.

The ceremony was conducted in the presence of all available Squadron Stavanger personnel, and representatives from the JWC Command Group and SMC4 Division including Brigadier General John W. Doucette, JWC Deputy Commander and Chief of Staff, Colonel Kurt Gimre, Director of Staff, Colonel Paul Malessa, Chief SMC4 Division, Colonel Stephane Bellamy, Head SMC4 Support Branch and Mr Garry Hargreaves, Executive Officer of SMC4.

