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MCAS Yuma Sergeant Major Post and Relief

MARINE CORPS AIR STATION YUMA, Ariz. (December 18, 2014) – MCAS Yuma will hold a post and relief ceremony for its incoming and outgoing sergeants major on the station parade field, Friday, Dec. 19 at 10 a.m.

During the ceremony, Sgt. Maj. Colen B. Laarman will be relieved as sergeant major of MCAS Yuma and replaced by Sgt. Maj. Delvin R. Smythe.

Laarman, who took his post as sergeant major of MCAS Yuma in May 2013, will be retiring from the Marine Corps after 23 years of service. His biography can be found at: <http://www.mcas-yuma.marines.mil/Leaders/SergeantMajor.aspx>

Smythe is coming to MCAS Yuma from Marine Corps Air Station Futenma, Okinawa, Japan, where he served as the station sergeant major.

Interviews with the sergeants major will be conducted immediately after the post and relief ceremony.

Media who wish to attend the ceremony must RSVP by 8 a.m. on Friday. All media will meet at 9:30 a.m., Friday, at the front gate in the pass and registration parking lot. To RSVP, contact Cpl. James Marchetti, Media Relations, at 928-269-2934, or email yuma_pao@usmc.mil.