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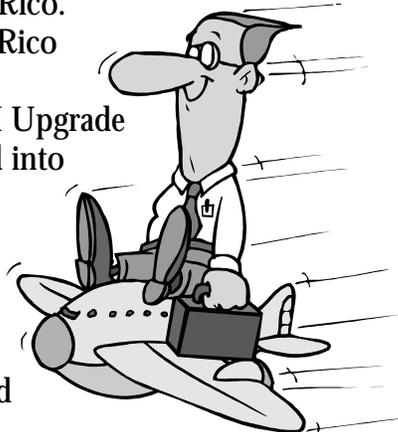
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## Hurricane Georges Derails PR Upgrade Effort...For Now

Better judgment won out over dedication to get the job done Monday, Sept. 21. TC ACCIS Hardware Specialist Garry Haun hopped aboard a Miami bound flight to escape the wrath of Hurricane Georges, barreling down on Puerto Rico. Garry, who was in Puerto Rico to install the TC ACCIS to TC AIMS II Upgrade equipment, had just settled into his hotel room on the Commonwealth, when he noticed something amiss: there was an unusually low turnout at the usually busy resorts and casinos on the island.



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## ATCMD Preparation

Release 4.0.293 contains a TC ACCIS modified ATCMD function which addresses some of the shortcomings of the earlier ATCMD function. With this release, you will have considerably more control over the ATCMD preparation and distribution:

The floppy disk copy process is more fault tolerant.

You have more control over what units information is copied onto an individual floppy (intelligent aggregation feature).

You can e-mail an ATCMD.

Certain data is defaulted, according to whether you send it to WPS or CAPS.

We were able to develop this function because HQDA and USTRANSCOM expressly waived the normal legacy prohibition against new development. The revised ATCMD function covers both

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## Hurricane *cont'd*

When Garry left the mainland for Puerto Rico, meteorologists were still unsure about the eventual course of Georges. Not long after he arrived, however; the climatic situation had gelled and officials were telling island inhabitants and visitors to seek higher ground. Georges had the island in its sights. In fact, the hotel at which Garry was registered forbade his lodging because of its elevation. Garry had two choices, find a hurricane shelter or exit immediately to calmer areas. He chose the latter and barely boarded a flight before the FAA canceled all airport activity. Garry is at least no worse for the wear. To paraphrase the immortal words of Mac Arthur: We shall return. ☐

## Compass Surprise

When you send your first COMPASS report to FORSCOM following the installation of IDP 4 Version 4.0.293, you may discover more records being sent than you expected. The additional COMPASS records being sent have been affected by the updates to the ECR table. While there were fewer pieces of equipment with dimensional, cube, or weight changes this time, there were many changes to the Model and Description fields. ☐

## ATCMD Preparation *cont'd*

aerialports and seaports; i.e., it can feed to both CAPS and WPS.

The new product remains a modified ATCMD. It is termed modified because it does not contain all the cards necessary to make it fully MILSTAMP complaint (e.g., no hazardous or container information).

Production of the revised TC ACCIS modified ATCMD involves a three-step process. The ITO must first prepare the Port of Embarkation codes to be used by the UMOs. The UMOs must then select the equipment to be shipped. Finally the ITO aggregates the equipment designated by the UMOs. The ITO can send this information included within an email to the desired addressee(s). Should your CAPS or WPS recipient not be able to handle the e-mail in this format, contact TC ACCIS Customer Support for assistance. ☐

## Mutt E-Mail Access Program



A Y2K compliant e-mail access program called “mutt” has been added to the TC ACCIS server. The “mutt” access program is available only to users (root, etc.) who logon to a UNIX prompt. Root users can access their e-mail using “mutt” to become

familiar with the e-mail access program. “Mutt” is not another e-mail system, but merely an access program that is Y2K compliant. Root users simply type “mutt” at the UNIX prompt to access their TC ACCIS e-mail account using the “mutt” e-mail access program. “Elm” is the current e-mail access

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program for the TC ACCIS program, but “elm” is not Y2K compliant and may never be Y2K compliant. Users (UMO, ITO, etc.), who logon to the TC ACCIS Main Menu Screen, will continue to use the “elm” e-mail access program through option 9-Electronic Mail. UNIX users who type “elm” at the UNIX prompt will access their TC ACCIS e-mail using the “elm” e-mail access program. “Mutt” or another Y2K compliant e-mail access program will eventually replace the “elm” e-mail access program with the TC ACCIS Y2K upgrade release. ☐



***Mutt is an access program  
that is Y2K compliant***

## For Your Information

### RE-Use Of TDC's

When sites are re-using TDC's, for example in “RS, “BS”, or “NTC” rotations, site System Administrators MUST contact Customer Support prior to processing rail load lists or GBL's. A Customer Support Database Administrator must delete the old data in the rail load list and GBL of the TDC to be re-used. If the old data is not deleted first, the re-used TDC can cause erroneous or incomplete data to be pulled up into the rail load list or GBL. ☐

### Notice...

The TC ACCIS Website is currently under review and maintenance per DA directive. Until further notice, access to the Website is unavailable. We do not anticipate a lengthy down time to our users, and we will notify all concerned when the site is available.

- A. NAME OF THE UNIT OR ORGANIZATION CONTROLLING THE WEBSITE: Joint Program Management Office, TC ACCIS (PEO STAMIS).
- B. THE WEBSITE UNIVERSAL RESOURCE LOCATOR (URL): <http://belvoir-tcaccis.army.mil>
- C. DATE AND TIME THE WEBSITE WAS REMOVED FROM PUBLIC ACCESS: 9:25 AM on September 28, 1998. ☐

# TRANSISTIONS

## *Aaron Prepares to Move into new Home*

*Art Moscatello retires after 52 years*

### **For Art's Sake**

Roy Rogers came out with his new movie "My Pal Trigger", Nat King Cole sang of chestnuts roasting on an open fire in what was to become a Christmas standard, "The Christmas Song", Harry & Bess Truman were in the White House, the cost of an average house was \$12, 638, and you could tool around the new suburbs popping up in a new Ford that cost \$1,400.

The year was **1946**, and a young Art Moscatello had just joined the U. S. Government.

52 ½ years later, Art Moscatello bid that part of his life farewell at a retirement dinner hosted by the denizens of the Military Traffic Management Command. The Commander of MTMC, MG Montero; the Deputy Commander, Bill Lucas, and 3 former TC ACCIS PMs (COL John Caldwell, COL Larry Doton, and COL Michael Cox) joined the current TC ACCIS PM to celebrate Art's transition.

Most of you remember Art from his days at TC ACCIS where he was Chief of Training Officer. Art was instrumental from the onset of TC ACCIS in providing functional user input in the original design. He setup the entire on site and off site training classes that began in 1988 to continue through 1996. Did you realize that Art completely organized the large TC ACCIS community meetings? He started the TC ACCIS newsletter, evidence of whose continuance you now see. Were he given to such pursuits, he could claim authorship of so many features of TC ACCIS.

TC ACCIS truly has Art's fingerprints all over it. But the ever-modest Art would avoid such outlandish claims - even though they're true. It seems that both prodigious modesty and competence were found in equal shares with Art. It goes without saying that we will miss Art, but we are secure in the knowledge that his contributions will continue on, as has his service, for a very long time. 🖨

Aaron and Wanda's new home has finally been built (almost to his satisfaction!)and they are preparing for the move. As this newsletter "goes to press" they await the imminent arrival of the movers. Until then, they live amongst the boxes. According to Aaron, he hasn't seen the kitchen in days. Aaron also relates that he is eager to settle into their home. The new, specially configured house, will give him more room to maneuver. Aaron managed to get a deck built, giving him ample outdoor space to enjoy the fall foliage. Once settled in his new home, he will resume his physical therapy. 🖨



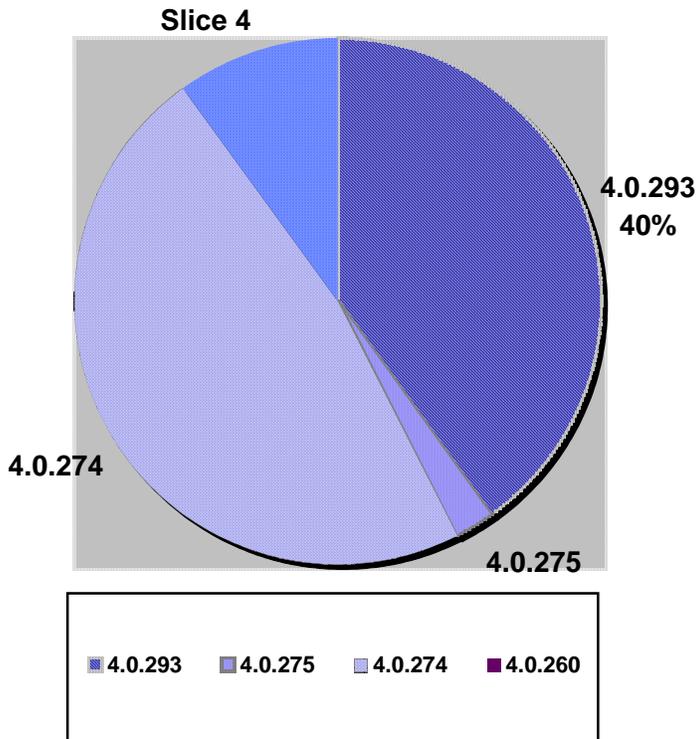
### **Welcome Cecilia Powers**

We have a new member in the TC ACCIS family, Cecilia Powers. She will be working in the Springfield office as a documentor and will be assuming the responsibility of the newsletter.

Cecilia's interest vary from outdoor activities to

spending quality time with her three children. We are glad to have her. 🖨

## TC ACCIS Sites Are Quick to Load .293



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## NEW RELEASE VERSION 4.0.293

Shipment of TC ACCIS software Release 4.0.293 along with the User Version Description Document and the ATCMD procedures was accomplished on October 6, 1998.

This release incorporates the following items:

- a.) **ECDF** – New FORSCOM ECR Data (Equipment Characteristics Register).
- b.) **ATCMD** – Encompasses both Air and Surface ATCMDs. The ITO must maintain Airports and Surface Ports for their installation. ATCMDs can now be e-mailed to CAPS and WPS recipients. The ITO will need to add e-mail addresses for these recipients.
- c.) **Delete Users** – TCADMIN gained the ability to delete more than one user login at a time. This is a very powerful and useful tool. Caution must be used when deleting information in this manner, as you will delete the UIC and all associated data.
- d.) **Communication Features** - The most prominent correction provides for the archiving and the resending of COMPASS, LOGSA, and IBS data. Only “sent” data is archived. “Resent” data is never archived. 