



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT JOHN E. PRONIEWICZ

Chief Master Sergeant John E. Proniewicz is the Chief Enlisted Manager of the 609th Air Operations Center, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar. He is the senior enlisted advisor to the commander and staff on all issues regarding the welfare, readiness, morale, and proper utilization and development of the enlisted force. He assists the commander in managing the U. S. Air Forces Central Command's \$110 million air, space, and cyber operations facility, and is involved in operational and strategic-level decisions influencing the management of operations and personnel assigned to Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar and Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina. The Combined Air Operations Center is comprised of over 850 Joint and Coalition personnel in 56 mission qualification positions tasked with planning and coordinating the Air Tasking Order and providing command and control of integrated air and missile defense of the Arabian Gulf and synchronizing Army, Navy, Air Force, and Coalition assets to conduct air, space, and cyber operations within a 4.3 million square mile area of responsibility covering Central and Southwest Asia.

Chief Proniewicz, originally from Granby, Massachusetts, enlisted in the Air Force on 11 July 1991. After completing basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, TX he began technical training as a Command & Control Battle Management Operator (C2BMO) at Tyndall Air Force Base, FL. Chief Proniewicz has performed various duties within the 1C5X1/C2BMO career field as the Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of Standardization and Evaluation, Operations Training, and as an AETC Master Instructor teaching 3-level C2BMO trainees at Keesler Air Force Base. He has had various assignments around the globe to include bases in Iceland, Florida, Utah, Korea, Mississippi, Colorado, Iowa, Canada, Ohio, and Idaho. Additionally, he has also deployed in support of Operations INHERENT RESOLVE, RESOLUTE SUPPORT, Combined Defense of Arabian Gulf, NOBLE EAGLE, DENY FLIGHT, and PROMOTE LIBERTY as well as various exercises and contingencies in Iceland, Italy, Panama, Peru, Columbia, and Korea.

Chief Proniewicz has functioned as an Operations Enlisted Manager, NORAD Inspector General Superintendent, NORAD Current Operations Center Superintendent, and as Air Combat Command Chief of Plans and Capabilities. He is married to the former Kimberly J. Hengsteler of Arcadia, Ohio. They have three children, Tristan, 22, Ethan, 19, and Alexander, 19.

EDUCATION

1998 Airman Leadership School, Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi
1999 Associate of Applied Science degree in Space Technology, Community College of the Air Force
2002 Associate of Applied Science degree in Instructor in Technology, Community College of the Air Force
2004 Vosler Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado
2009 Additional Duty First Sergeant Course, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska
2010 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education Correspondence Course
2011 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Alabama
2015 Bachelor's Degree, National Security Studies, American Military University
2017 Chief Master Sergeant Leadership Course, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Alabama



ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 1991–August 1991, Student, Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, Texas
2. August 1991–October 1991, Student, Technical Training School, Tyndall AFB, Florida
3. October 1991–December 1993, Interface Control Technician, 932nd ACS, Rockville Air Station, Iceland.
4. December 1993–June 1994, Weapons Director Technician, 81st Range Control Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Florida
5. June 1994–December 1996, Air Surveillance Standards and Evaluations Examiner, 729th Air Control Squadron, Hill AFB, Utah
6. December 1996–December 1997, Interface Control Technician Instructor, 621st Air Control Squadron, Osan AB, Korea.
7. December 1997–June 2002, Aerospace Control and Warning Course Master Instructor, 334th Training Squadron, Keesler AFB, Mississippi
8. June 2002–January 2006, Superintendent of Evaluations Division, Cheyenne Mountain Air Station, Colorado
9. January 2006–July 2008, Air Advisor/Guard Liaison, 133rd Test Squadron, Fort Dodge, Iowa
10. July 2008–July 2011, Surveillance Operations Course Director, 722nd Air Control Squadron, Canadian Forces Base North Bay, Ontario, Canada
11. July 2011–December 2013, Chief of Plans and Capabilities, Air Combat Command Systems Office, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
12. December 2013–April 2015, NORAD and USNORTHCOM Current Operations Center Superintendent, Peterson AFB, Colorado
13. April 2015–September 2017, NORAD and USNORTHCOM Inspector General Superintendent, Peterson AFB, Colorado
14. September 2017–June 2019, Operations Enlisted Manager, 726th Air Control Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
15. June 2019–Present, Chief Enlisted Manager, 609th Air Operations Center, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two devices

Joint Service Commendation Medal

AF Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal with five devices

Joint Meritorious Unit Award with three devices

Meritorious Unit Award

AF Outstanding Unit Award with three devices

AF Good Conduct Medal with nine devices

National Defense Service Medal with one device

Global War On Terrorism Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Korean Defense Service Medal

Armed Forces Service Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1995 Distinguished Graduate, Air Surveillance Officer Course, Tyndall AFB, Florida

2000 334 Training Squadron NCO of the Year, Keesler AFB, Mississippi

2002 Master Instructor Certification, Air Education & Training Command, Keesler AFB, MS

2009 1st Air Force SNCO of 1st Quarter, CFB North Bay, Ontario, Canada

2009 722nd Air Control Squadron SNCO of the Year, CFB North Bay, Ontario, Canada

2010 722nd Air Control Squadron SNCO of the Year, CFB North Bay, Ontario, Canada

2016 NORAD Command and Control Battle Manager of the Year, Peterson AFB, Colorado

2016 NORAD Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award SNCO Nominee, Peterson AFB, Colorado

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman Basic, 11 July 1991

Airman, 11 January 1992

Airman First Class, 11 November 1992

Senior Airman, 11 July 1994

Staff Sergeant, 1 January 1999

Technical Sergeant, 1 June 2003

Master Sergeant, 1 March 2008

Senior Master Sergeant, 1 May 2013

Chief Master Sergeant, 1 April 2017

(Current as of June 2019)