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Department of Defense Unveils Korean War Pentagon Exhibit

June 18, 2013 – Arlington, VA -- Members of the Department of Defense 60th Anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration Committee participated in a special program and ribbon cutting ceremony today to dedicate the Pentagon's permanent Korean War exhibit. The exhibit, which was constructed after meetings with DoD officials and Veterans, debuts one month before the 60th Anniversary Signing of the Armistice event on July 27.

“This exhibit is a testament to the hundreds of thousands of our nation’s men and women who answered the call of duty and served in the military during the Korean War,” said Colonel David J. Clark, the Committee’s Director. “I believe that unveiling the exhibit today to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice and our Korean War Veterans accentuates the importance of recognizing all who served during the Korean War as we approach the 60th Anniversary capstone event next month.”

The Korean War Pentagon Exhibit will have photographs, videos, weapons used during the War, and other items. The display will include individual sections that highlight women in the Korean War, medical and technology advancements, and show how the military was integrated during the War. The display will become a part of the Pentagon tour that is seen by over 250,000 individuals each year.

“Our mission is to honor Korean War Veterans, commemorate the war, and educate the American public about the War and the sacrifices made by the Veterans,” said Colonel Clark. “This exhibit fulfills all of the objectives outlined by Congress and emphasizes the importance of the Korean War and why it must always be remembered.”

On July 27, Heroes Remembered, a major event to honor thousands of Korean War Veterans and commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the Signing of the Armistice, will be held at the Korean War Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. To learn more about the Korean War Pentagon Exhibit, the July 27 commemorative event, to listen to a Korean War Veteran’s oral history, and obtain other information about the Korean War, visit the website at www.koreanwar60.com

The Department of Defense Korean War 60th Anniversary Commemoration Committee, authorized in the 2011 Defense Authorization Bill, is dedicated to thanking and honoring all the Veterans of the Korean War, their families and especially those who lost loved ones in that war. Over the next three years the Committee will honor the service and sacrifice of Korean War Veterans, commemorate the key events of the war, and educate Americans of all ages about the historical significance of the Korean War.

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