

Commanding General of the North Carolina Army & Air National Guard Visits Moldova

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General Lusk with Ambassador Moser lay flowers at the WWII memorial

The commanding general of the North Carolina Army & Air National Guard, Major General Greg Lusk, visited Moldova recently as part of the ongoing bilateral relationship between Moldova and North Carolina. During his visit, General Lusk met with Acting Minister of Defense Vitalie Marinuta, Commanding General of the Moldovan Armed Forces Brigadier General Vitalie Stoian, as well as several unit commanders of the Moldovan Army. He also met with Colonel Mihail Harabagiu, chief of the Department of Emergency Situations.

General Lusk discussed how the North Carolina National Guard could continue to assist Moldova to develop its disaster preparedness, cyber security, peacekeeping, and medical capabilities.

In commemoration of the upcoming Victory Day, General Lusk joined U.S. Ambassador William H. Moser at the World War II memorial to lay flowers in memory of those fallen.

The North Carolina State Partnership Program with Moldova began in 1995. Through the Partnership Program, Americans from North Carolina provided free dental care to underprivileged children and donated tens of thousands of dollars in humanitarian aid. The N.C. National Guard has provided training and technical assistance to Moldova's military, helping the 22nd Battalion meet international peacekeeping standards. This year the North Carolina-Moldova State Partnership Program began a new program to improve Moldova's nursing capabilities.

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