



**Retiring effective Aug. 1, 2012**

Brig. Gen. Cary C. Chun is the Deputy Commander, Operations and Interagency Integration, Joint Functional Component Command for Space, U.S. Strategic Command, and the Director for Mission Operations, National Reconnaissance Office, Chantilly, Va. He helps lead all Department of Defense space forces aligned with USSTRATCOM and provides tailored, responsive, local and global effects in support of national, USSTRATCOM and combatant commander objectives. As Director for Mission Operations, he leads operations for all NRO overhead reconnaissance systems, ground stations, operational communications, and the operations center used to conduct intelligence activities essential for the national security of the U.S. and its allies.

General Chun was born in Cavite, Philippines, at Sangley Point Naval Air Station when his father was on active duty in the U.S. Coast Guard. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1985. The general has gained extensive space operations experience working with U.S. Space Command, Air Force Space Command, 14th Air Force, the National Reconnaissance Office and Central Air Forces. He is a graduate of the Space Warfare Center's Space Tactics School. Additionally, he has supported the President and First Lady as a White House social aide.

General Chun has commanded the 614th Space Operations Squadron at Vandenberg AFB, Calif.; NRO Operations Group at Onizuka Air Force Station, Calif.; Space Operations Wing at the Aerospace Data Facility, Buckley AFB, Colo.; and 50th Space Wing, Schriever AFB, Colo. He has also served as the Director of Space Forces while deployed to Southwest Asia for operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

#### **EDUCATION**

1985 Bachelor of Science degree in operations research, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

1987 Master of Science degree in systems management, University of Southern California, Los Angeles

1990 Master of Science degree in space operations, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio  
1991 Distinguished graduate, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
1996 Distinguished graduate, Space Tactics School, Space Warfare Center, Schriever AFB, Colo.  
1997 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
1998 Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.  
2003 Master of Strategic Studies degree, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2006 Leadership Development, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, N.C.  
2007 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Kenan-Flagler School of Business, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
2008 Senior Executive Fellow, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. May 1985 - August 1987, contract manager, Satellite Control Network Activation, Onizuka Air Force Station, Calif.
2. August 1987 - May 1989, Operations Director, Special Programs Division, Onizuka AFS, Calif.
3. May 1989 - December 1990, student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
4. January 1991 - June 1992, Chief, Systems Analysis Branch, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
5. June 1992 - August 1993, Chief, Integration, Test and Operations Division, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
6. August 1993 - September 1994, Program Manager for Advanced Tactical Applications, Fort Myer, Va.
7. September 1994 - January 1996, executive officer, National Reconnaissance Office, Washington, D.C.
8. January 1996 - June 1996, student, Space Tactics School, Space Warfare Center, Schriever AFB, Colo.
9. August 1996 - June 1997, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB Ala.
10. June 1997 - June 1999, Chief, Special Operations Section, Cheyenne Mountain Air Station, Colo.
11. June 1999 - May 2000, operations officer, 76th Space Operations Squadron, Schriever AFB, Colo.
12. May 2000 - June 2002, Commander, 614th Space Operations Squadron, Vandenberg AFB, Calif.
13. July 2002 - June 2003, student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
14. June 2003 - June 2005, Commander, Operations Group, National Reconnaissance Office, Onizuka AFS, Calif.
15. July 2005 - August 2007, Commander, Space Operations Wing, Aerospace Data Facility, Buckley AFB, Colo.
16. January 2007 - June 2007, Director of Space Forces, Combined Air and Space Operations Center, Central Air Forces, Southwest Asia
17. August 2007 - June 2008, executive officer to the Commander, Air Force Space

Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.

18. June 2008 - September 2009, Commander, 50th Space Wing, Schriever AFB, Colo.

19. September 2009 - present, Deputy Commander, Operations and Interagency Integration, Joint Functional Component Command for Space, U.S. Strategic Command, and Director for Mission Operations, National Reconnaissance Office, Chantilly, Va.

### **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. June 1997 - June 1999, Chief, Special Operations Section, Cheyenne Mountain Air Station, Colo., as a lieutenant colonel

2. June 2003 - June 2005, Commander, Operations Group, National Reconnaissance Office, Onizuka AFS, Calif., as a colonel

3. July 2005 - August 2007, Commander, Space Operations Wing, Aerospace Data Facility, Buckley AFB, Colo., as a colonel

4. September 2009 - present, Deputy Commander, Operations and Interagency Integration, Joint Functional Component Command for Space, USSTRATCOM, Chantilly, Va., as a brigadier general

### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

### **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

1991 Outstanding squadron graduate, Squadron Officer School

1997 Top 25 percent graduate, Air Command and Staff College

2000 Field Grade Officer of the Year, California Air Force Association

2005 National Reconnaissance Office Leadership Award

2006 Office of the Secretary of the Air Force Leadership Award

2007 National Security Agency Bronze Medallion

2007 National Reconnaissance Office Gold Medal

### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant May 29, 1985

First Lieutenant May 29, 1987

Captain May 29, 1989

Major Aug. 1, 1996

Lieutenant Colonel July 1, 1999

Colonel Aug. 1, 2003

Brigadier General July 17, 2009

(Current as of December 2011)