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# AFIMSC AT TEN: Transformation of an FM Center of Power

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#### by Maj James Monk and Maj Leonard Belo, AFIMSC

Ten years ago, the Air Force Installations and Mission Support Center (AFIMSC) was established to unify and enhance installation and mission support across the Department of the Air Force (DAF). For the Financial Management (FM) Directorate, this marked the start of a deliberate effort to build a centralized hub for financial excellence, an FM Center of Power. Operating from a single bay of cubicles, the team laid the foundation for a future where FM would not only support mission needs but also drive enterprise solutions, enable digital innovation, and deliver consistent, high-quality support worldwide.



Today, AFIMSC/FM is a leading force in financial operations, managing \$12.5B in execution, shaping enterprise processes, and delivering modern digital tools across 78 installations. These efforts empower commanders, strengthen readiness, and improve quality of life for Airmen and Guardians. What began as a modest support effort has become a trusted FM Center of power, enabling financial transformation and mission success across the DAF.

As we reflect on a decade of progress, it is vital to recognize the key milestones, innovations, and partnerships that have shaped AFIMSC/FM's enduring success.

#### Forging Foundations: Early Days in the Bays

Talk to any of the original AFIMSC/FM team members, and you'll hear stories of grit, chaos, and perseverance. The early years weren't about automation, they were about building endurance. Mr. William "\$ Bill" Kiser, now the AFIMSC/FMA Technical Director, recalls the first End of Year (EOY) in 2015, working back-to-back in a shared cubicle to create the first SharePoint checklist. Throughout the night, they fielded constant calls from commanders and MAJCOM/FMs, reminding them how much "room for improvement" they had. That experience forced them to rely on base-level

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execution and trust the system, a pivotal moment that validated their approach and set the tone for enterprise coordination and resilience.

Ms. Ellen Lounsberry described those early days as "the wild, wild west." Alongside Debra Cervera, she held down Bay 8 late into the night, tackling base-level anomalies with limited support and little food. Those challenges built a culture of resourcefulness, collaboration, and adaptability, traits that remain central to AFIMSC/FM. The foundation laid during those demanding years continues to fuel the Directorate's success as an FM Center of Power.

### From Crisis Response to Enterprise Coordination

Crises have tested AFIMSC/FM's resilience and accelerated its evolution into a hub of innovation. When COVID-19 disrupted global operations in 2020, the team quickly launched the first fully digital EOY war room, transitioning to Microsoft Teams, rewriting procedures, and training baselevel budget officers in real time. Despite uncertainty, FM met execution deadlines with enhanced transparency and coordination, proving that speed, agility, and innovation could redefine enterprise financial operations. These lessons shaped future efforts.

In 2021, AFIMSC/FM helped operationalize the Task Force Agile Mission Support (TFAMS) construct, AFIMSC's rapidly deployable, cross-functional emergency response team that assesses damage, coordinates recovery, and restores operations. Natural disaster responses further defined FM's approach. After Typhoon Mawar struck Andersen AFB in 2023, FM secured emergency funding, stood up a Program Management Office, and supported restoration of over 500 facilities. In 2024, Hurricanes Helene and Milton, FM teams pre-coordinated support, processed over 4,000 vouchers, and ensured displaced Airmen and families received timely assistance.

Each crisis – pandemic, typhoon, or hurricane – reinforced AFIMSC/FM's role in sustaining operations and driving innovation and recovery. These experiences laid the groundwork for a design ecosystem that reimagines how financial operations power mission success in a complex environment.

# Forged by Challenge: Building an Innovation Ecosystem

Building on lessons forged through crisis, AFIMSC/FM created a financial innovation ecosystem designed to identify best practices, harvest advancements, standardize them for enterprise use, and deploy them at scale to transform operations. AFIMSC/FM didn't just modernize processes; it built a connected, scalable financial ecosystem, rooted in its innovation model: Harvest – Standardize – Deploy.

This model turns grassroots ingenuity into field-tested, policy-compliant tools.

"As lead for SAF/FM's Objective 3.3, Delivering Outstanding Financial Customer Service, we needed a way to standardize customer delivery," said Ms. Melissa Blakesly, Director of AFIMSC/FM. "These tools reflect our culture and automate tasks, allowing us to focus on people."

Two impactful tools for FM, Qtrac and the Budget Analysis Tool (BAT), are core components of this ecosystem. Qtrac, first used by the 1st Special Operations Comptroller Squadron (CPTS), revolutionized customer service transparency. Now active at 89 locations, it enables real-time status updates, queue management, scheduling, and operational insights – building both trust and standardization.

BAT replaced decentralized spreadsheets, unifying execution tracking with SAF/FM aligned templates, real-time dashboards, and detailed transaction data. It has become a strategic planning backbone.

Together, Qtrac and BAT enable FM teams to measure, manage, and respond with precision, from transaction to strategy. Their success demonstrated the power of a connected innovation ecosystem and laid the foundation for the Commander's Application, a leadership-focused tool delivering real-time financial insights across the enterprise.

# Turning Innovation into Impact: The Commander's Application

Among AFIMSC/FM's boldest innovations is the Commander's Application. This past February, AFIMSC/FM unveiled the Commander's Application at the 2025 Financial Services Worldwide Conference in San Antonio, Texas.

The tool originated from two groundbreaking platforms. In 2022, the 35 CPTS at Misawa AB developed the Command Triad Application (CTA), designed for Commanders, Senior Enlisted Leaders, and First Sergeants to access financial data from their government devices. Meanwhile, MSgt Alex Westing of the 52 CPTS created the Pay Day Dashboard, enhancing financial data visibility at Spangdahlem AB.

Recognizing the value of collaboration, AFIMSC/FM combined these innovations into a unified platform. The initiative brought together expertise from across the FM community to integrate technologies and synchronize solutions. Strategic plans and development models were submitted to the Air Force Financial Systems Officer (AFFSO), now SAF/FMIN, for approval. In July 2024, a dedicated working group was established to drive development of the Commander's Application toward enterprise-wide deployment.

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Three core functional teams were developed and consisted of:

- 1. Data Flow Team: Led by Mr. Michael Green (AFFSO), this team engineered the development of bots to aggregate data from various financial systems into a central repository.
- 2. Data Security and Integration Team: Led by MSgt Alex Westing, this team was responsible for developing robust encryption protocols and row-level security data integration. This was made possible through partnership with data experts, Mr. Omar Massoud (AFIMSC) and MSgt Robert Santamaria (Resource Training Center).
- 3. Design and Automation Team: This team, operating within AFIMSC's Financial Operations Division, manages and operates the singular engine that powers the design and automation platform resulting from this technological design.

Harvesting the prototypes from Misawa and Spangdahlem through the Innovation Ecosystem wasn't just about building technological capability, it exemplified FM's culture of collaboration, shared vision, and a commitment to improving customer service for Airmen, Guardians, and their families, while giving valuable time back to FM teammates.



September 2024: Ms. Melissa Blakesly receives an overview from the Commander's Application Working Group members, Mr. Michael Green, SAF/FMIN, and MSgt Alex Westing, 52 CPTS/FMF.

Financial readiness fortifies mission readiness. Pay and entitlement issues can undermine an Airman's well-being and an organization's effectiveness. The Commander's Application addresses this by providing leadership with real-time access to critical financial data. Accessible via desktops and government issued devices, the tool enables Commanders, Senior Enlisted Leaders, and First Sergeants to advocate for their Airmen and resolve issues quickly. It pulls data from multiple financial and personnel systems, eliminating the need for technicians to generate reports, and uses key performance indicators and readiness data such as:

- GTC Delinquency and Account Status
- DTS Unsubmitted Travel Vouchers
- Use or Lose Leave
- Dependency Discrepancy
- Open Debts
- Separations and Retirement
- Station Gains Mismatch

The application also features a heat map that highlights members on leave by location. During the Los Angeles wildfires, this function helped identify personnel in the affected evacuation areas.

"The Commander's App is a breakthrough for the FM community and highlights the effectiveness of the Innovation Ecosystem," said Ms. Blakesly. "It provides realtime data and visibility to optimize resources in support of our leaders and Airmen. We're incredibly excited about the positive impact it will have across the board."



The heat map functionality is dynamic: you can select a location and access a data log of all members currently on leave in the area, including their emergency contact information and leave duration.

In January, AFIMSC/FM initiated testing the Commander's Application at six installations: Laughlin AFB, Goodfellow AFB, Vance AFB, Altus AFB, Dyess AFB, and RAF Mildenhall. Support includes user guides and, when needed, baselevel training. Each site has flexibility in how the tools is implemented to best fit its mission. A feedback site was also established to collect insights directly from end users, which will guide further development.

The Commander's Application reflects how AFIMSC/FM's Innovation Ecosystem is not only solving today's challenges, but actively shaping the future of financial operations, strengthening readiness, empowering leadership, and reinforcing AFIMSC/FM's role as a DAF FM Center of Power.

#### **AFIMSC AT TEN: Transformation of an FM Center of Power** (cont.)



### Looking Ahead: AFIMSC/FM as an FM Center of Power

AFIMSC/FM's next chapter is underway, defined by artificial intelligence (AI), automation, and innovation. The team isn't just preparing for the future of financial management, they're creating it.

At the center of this transformation is ODIN-FM, a nextgeneration tool designed to automate and elevate budget execution planning through analytics and machine learning. ODIN-FM brings together cutting-edge capabilities:

- Automatic contract data extraction and cleansing
- Predictive "should-cost" modeling
- Al-driven forecasting of budget requirements
- Auto-loading and validation of Execution Plan (ExPlan) submissions
- Integration with BAT and Power BI for real-time, intuitive dashboards

ODIN-FM has delivered results, successfully piloted across three major portfolios. It built a cancelling year and fallout funds analyzer and is expected to reduce the ExPlan process from seven months to two. Continued development will expand accesses and retire outdated tools like iBEAST, creating a faster, smarter environment.

AFIMSC/FM is continually seeking ways to strengthen operations through AI. By laying a digital foundation where financial insight is instantaneous and decisions are datadriven, the Directorate is reshaping the core of financial management. Al integration, agile reporting, and enterprise best practices are empowering the next generation of FM professionals to operate at the speed of command.

What began in borrowed cubicles is now the financial engine for 78 installations. From crisis response to Al-powered planning, AFIMSC/FM proves financial readiness fuels mission readiness. Through every milestone one process continues to drive results: Harvest – Standardize – Deploy.

This is what it means to be an FM Center of Power.

Ten years in, AFIMSC/FM isn't just supporting the mission, they're designing its future. And one truth remains: *Your success is our mission*.

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# MONEY TALKS

#### MONEY TALK\$, AND WE LISTEN!

The new FM enlisted series, hosted by CMSgt Leah Anderson, SAF/FM Executive for Enlisted Matters, launched this spring. The first virtual session in March was a major success with over 300 enlisted teammates in attendance. This forum is an exciting opportunity to connect with fellow Airmen and be part of the conversation discussing hot topics, pressing questions, and the current affairs of DAF FM for enlisted personnel.

The next forum is planned for 30 June. Be on the lookout for the invitation and additional details. Session recordings will also soon be available on the <u>FM Force Development Runway.</u>

# AFRC FM SYSTEMS INTEGRATION EFFORTS: Identity, Credential, and Access Management Capabilities



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Goal 2 | Objective 2.2 & 2.3

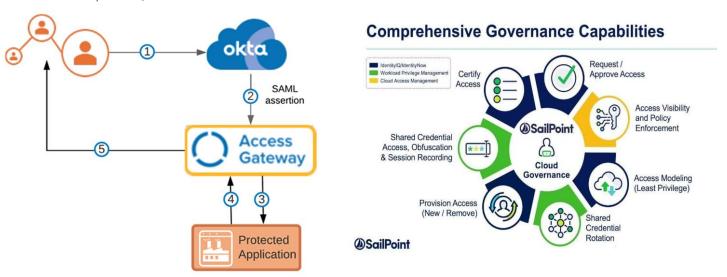
#### by Ms. Lashonda Richardson, AFRC

In support of the Department of the Air Force Cybersecurity and Information Technology Audit Capability program objectives outlined in FY23 to improve audit, cyber, and mission readiness, the portfolio of Air Force Reserve Command (AFRC) systems is currently participating in onboarding efforts for integrating Identity, Credential, and Access Management (ICAM) capabilities with full implementation anticipated by FY26. The systems involved in these efforts include the Air Force Reserves Order Writing System – Reserves (AROWS-R), Budget Reporting System (BRS), Personnel Budget Analysis System (PBASweb), Reserve Travel System (RTS) and Unit Training Assembly Processing System (UTAPSweb).

The Department of Defense (DoD) Enterprise ICAM Reference Design, Version 1.0 (dated June 2020)¹, explains one of the objectives of the DoD Digital Modernization Strategy: ICAM "creates a secure and trusted environment where any user can access all authorized resources (including [services, information systems], and data) to have a successful mission, while also letting the DoD know who is on the network at any given time." This objective focuses on managing access to DoD resources while balancing the responsibility to share with the need to protect. ICAM is not a single process or technology but is a complex set of systems and services that operate under varying policies and organizations. To that effect, the versatile AFRCFM team of system administrators, IT project managers, software developers, and database administrators are staying the course to achieve the ICAM objectives.

AROWS-R is a mutual partnership between the Directorate of Manpower, Personnel, and Services (A1) and FM in automating the documentation of active-duty tours and maintaining accountability of reservists, which has set precedence within AFRC in fulfilling the ICAM capabilities and objectives. As of FY24, the OKTA single sign-on (SSO), multifactor authentication is fully integrated within AROWS-R for managing and securing user access. Additionally, the SailPoint Access Management Platform, a leading provider of identity security and access controls, is on schedule to be implemented by Spring FY25 for AROWS-R users. These ICAM onboarding efforts, to include the Privileged Access Management CyberArk solution for IT security, are ongoing for all AFRC FM systems with the goal of full implementation by FY26.

The OKTA and SailPoint process diagrams are provided below as an illustration of how these systems and services will integrate within AFRC FM systems.



References: 1 https://dodcio.defense.gov/Portals/0/Documents/Cyber/DoD\_Enterprise\_ICAM\_Reference\_Design.pdf

# AFRC FM SYSTEMS INTEGRATION EFFORTS: Identity, Credential, and Access Management Capabilities (cont.)



#### More Changes on The Horizon!

"To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often." – Winston Churchill

There are constant technology development initiatives within AFRC FM Systems to align with the DoD's Information Technology objectives to evolve and promote innovation, standardization, and digital modernization, including but not limited to, datacentric technology efforts, Standard Financial Information Structure/Standard Line of Accounting classification structure, and the A1/FM streamlined automation processes within the Air Force Integrated Personnel and Pay System.

Each FM systems information is provided below but can only be accessed with proper authorization and approval. AFRC FM is committed to providing relevant and timely communication, which can be found on the <u>HQ AFRC FM SharePoint</u>. We invite you to check us out and our progress in support of the DoD's strategic efforts to ensure efficiency and effectiveness within Financial Management!

#### **AFRC FM Systems Management Information**

#### Air Force Reserves Order Writing System - Reserves (AROWS-R)

Link: <a href="https://arowsr.afrc.af.mil/arows-r/">https://arowsr.afrc.af.mil/arows-r/</a>

AROWS-R Help Desk Email: afrcfm.arowsr@us.af.mil

#### **Budget Reporting System (BRS)**

Link: <a href="https://wrbfm03.afrc.af.mil/brs/">https://wrbfm03.afrc.af.mil/brs/</a>

BRS Org Box Email: <u>HQAFRC.BRS.BudgetReporting@us.af.mil</u>

#### Personnel Budget Analysis System (PBASweb)

Link: https://pbasweb.afrc.af.mil/pbasweb/

PBASweb Org Box Email: afrc.pbasweb@us.af.mil

#### **Reserve Travel System (RTS)**

Client-based application

RTS Help Desk Email: RTSPMO@us.af.mil

#### **Unit Training Assembly Processing System (UTAPSweb)**

Link: https://utapsweb.afrc.af.mil/utapsweb/

UTAPSweb Help Desk Email: <a href="mailto:afrc.utapsweb@us.af.mil">afrc.utapsweb@us.af.mil</a>

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# MISSION SUCCESS THROUGH PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS



#### by Capt Gonca Dequeant and Capt Will Prier, ACC

We all recognize the emphasis military leadership places on personal and professional development. Networking, communication, and building lasting professional relationships are recurring themes for every Airman. Fellow Captains Will Prier and Gonca Dequeant were provided an opportunity to put these tenets to the test while concurrently deployed to the U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM) Area of Responsibility (AOR).

Capt Prier served as the Comptroller for the 380th Air Expeditionary Wing at Al Dhafra Air Base, United Arab Emirates, from 24 September 2024 to 1 April 2025. Capt Dequeant spent the first three months of her deployment dual-hatting as Special Operations Joint Task Force Central and Task Force THREE J8 at Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar, from 10 October 2024 to 5 January 2025. She finished up her rotation as Task Force THREE, J8 Director in Manama, Bahrain, from 6 January 2025 to 26 April 2025. Prior to their deployments, Capt Prier and Capt Dequeant built their relationship and honed their skills together for 15 months as budget analysts on the ACC/FM staff.

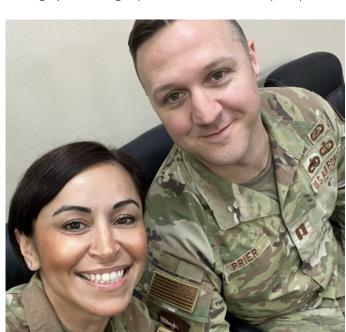
**Capt Prier:** It had never crossed my mind that I would be working directly with Gonca when I first arrived at Al Dhafra Air Base. We are both deployed to serve in different subordinate commands at completely different levels. With that being said, I am no stranger to seeing the interoperability of military service branches, being directly exposed to these concepts in previous deployments and during my multiple tours to Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea. However, each of these occurrences were with members geographically located in the same location. It goes to show that regardless of where individuals are stationed, you never know how missions can end up intertwining.

**Capt Dequeant:** When I was informed that I would be forward deployed to fill a J8 position at Al Udeid Air Base, I felt both nervous and excited. Instead of being in a single deep position, I would oversee multiple task forces and work with 12 soldiers while managing the complete turnover of the J8 directorate. Working with soldiers who had never worked with Defense Enterprise Accounting and Management System (DEAMS) or Defense Travel System (DTS) was an eye-opening, challenging, and highly rewarding experience. I had to be a quick problem solver and a technical expert, and I knew I needed help. I had no

choice but to build relationships, reach out to my network, and shorten the learning curve as much as possible.

**Capt Prier:** Being deployed with a team, let alone an entire wing, that you have never worked with can be a bit taxing. Even with the relationships that you build on the ground, it is always nice to see a friendly face from back home. When Gonca told me she would be at Al Dhafra for a U.S. Development Area meeting that I was also attending, I was thrilled to see a friend from ACC/FM. Maintaining relationships via digital means, such as Microsoft Teams, is great but nothing beats a face-to-face chat. It was during this visit that Gonca mentioned that she had need of my disbursing team for a paying agent mission here in the United Arab Emirates. I was happy to hear that my team and I would be able to assist a friend and fellow FMer in her deployed mission.

Capt Dequeant: The first thing I did was reach out to Major Chris Miller, the Al Udeid Air Base Comptroller, whom I knew from SAF/FM and had previously worked with. His team was crucial in assisting our soldiers with much needed training, and he even allowed one of his lieutenants to travel to the United Arab Emirates to support our J8X paying agent missions for Task Force THREE. Additionally, Will and I created a deployed finance officer chat to facilitate communication and collaboration among deployed officers facing similar challenges. My favorite



Capt Gonca Dequeant and Capt Will Prier attend the U.S. Development Area meeting at Al Dhafra Air Base, UAE, discussing infrastructure upgrades across the AOR.

# MISSION SUCCESS THROUGH PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS (cont.)



connection, despite being far from home, was having Will at Al Dhafra Air Base. Task Force THREE has a significant presence in the United Arab Emirates, and Will and his team were essential in helping us renew our rental car contract, assist with rewrapping the base containerized housing unit, and paying the Yemen vendors. Our open communication and mutual support allowed us to resolve deployment issues effectively and quickly.

The experiences that Capt Prier and Capt Dequeant encountered during their deployment serve as a powerful testament to the importance of networking and collaboration in military operations. Their ability to navigate complex challenges through communication and relationship-building not only facilitated the successful execution of their missions but also underscored the strength found in unity and shared knowledge. Through their combined efforts, they demonstrated that the barriers of geography and command structures could be bridged when a commitment to teamwork exists. Their interactions led to innovative problem-solving and operational efficiency, illustrating how crucial relationships are to the success of military objectives, especially in dynamic environments like the CENTCOM AOR. Ultimately, these experiences highlight a fundamental aspect of military leadership: while technical skill and expertise are vital, it is the connections we forge and the support we provide one another that truly enable us to rise to any occasion. As military professionals, it is essential to embrace this philosophy, knowing that each interaction, each new relationship, can open doors to greater opportunities and solutions in both our personal and professional development. In every deployment, we carry not only the weight of our responsibilities but also the potential for elevation through collaboration, ensuring that we are always stronger together.



Capt Will Prier and Capt Gonca Dequeant are budget analysts for ACC/FM located at Joint Base Langley, VA.

Top: Capt Dequeant and Capt Prier (November 2024), Al Dhafra Air Base, UAE

Bottom: Capt Prier counting money with SSgt Nicholas Johnson who was the Disbursing Agent for 380 AEW/FM at the time.







### SYSTEMS CORNER



#### **DEAMS** Update

#### **Update on G-Invoicing Development and Deployment**

by DEAMS Functional Management Office

G-Invoicing is the Department of the Treasury's standardized platform, designed to address accounting and reporting challenges in intragovernmental buy and sell transactions. The Defense Enterprise Accounting Management System (DEAMS) Functional Management Office (FMO) has been incrementally implementing functionality to comply with the Department of the Treasury's mandate.



Most recently, ten Requesting side pilots have been successfully deployed by the DEAMS FMO since October 2024, with more to come. These pilot projects have allowed us to test the solution, resolve any bugs, and refine our training materials for the enterprise-wide go-live in October 2025. Leading up to the go-live is a robust training schedule which follows:

#### **PACAF Training**

- 1000 Japan Standard Time zone (JST)
- Tues: 29 July, 5 Aug, 12 Aug, 19 Aug, 26 Aug

#### **Eastern/Central Training**

- 1000 Central Standard Time zone (CST)
- Tues: 29 July, 5 Aug, 12 Aug, 19 Aug, 26 Aug

#### Alaska/Hawaii Training

- 1000 Hawaiian Standard Time zone (HST)
- Tues: 29 July, 5 Aug, 12 Aug, 19 Aug, 26 Aug

#### **USAFE Training**

- 1100 Central European Time zone (CET)
- Thurs: 31 July, 7 Aug, 14 Aug, 21 Aug, 28 Aug

#### **Mountain/Pacific Training**

- 1000 Pacific Standard Time zone (PST)
- Thurs: 31 July, 7 Aug, 14 Aug, 21 Aug, 28 Aug

All training will be delivered via Microsoft Teams, with meeting links to be provided at a later date. Additionally, reach-back support will be available to organizations following the full deployment of the Requesting side. As the Servicing side becomes ready to deploy (expected in Q3FY26), these same processes will be repeated. We are on schedule to begin delivering Servicing side functionality in October 2025, with a full implementation planned for April 2026.

The Servicing side process in G-Invoicing involves several key steps. When a requesting agency initiates an order, the system automatically creates a contract project and a shell of a task for each line of the order. Next, line of accounting data is added to the task, similar to that of a Project, Task, Expenditure, Organizations (PTEO) request, and the agreement is submitted for workflow approval. Once approved, the cost budget and revenue budget are created. Then, funding is automatically baselined. The cost budget assists in maintaining funds control at the task level. At this point, the Order status will reflect 'Open', and users begin to execute against the Order.

Performance is a critical aspect of the G-Invoicing process. To fulfill the customer order, the servicing agency uses a requisition, purchase order, and Accounts Payable (AP) Invoice with the contract project. The AP expenditures are transferred to the Project Accounting module in DEAMS, then over to receivables. This automatically generates a G-Invoicing performance transaction which is sent to the requesting agency. The settlement process varies depending on the Freight On Board (FOB) point\* of the order. If the FOB point is source/origin, performance is immediately settled with the Intra-Governmental Payment and Collection (IPAC) system. However, if the FOB point is destination/other, performance is reviewed by the requesting agency and settled with IPAC once confirmation is received or after a specified period.

After the Requesting side go-live and Servicing side pilots, the team will shift their focus to the 7600EZ process, which is expected to be completed by August 2026. This process will enable low-dollar, high-volume transactions, further streamlining intra-governmental transactions.

G-Invoicing represents a significant step forward in managing intra-governmental transactions. This common platform improves efficiency, reduces errors, and enhances financial reporting. While not all agencies currently have G-Invoicing capabilities, the initiative is expected to positively impact the government's overall financial management practices as it continues to evolve. Visit and 'follow' the G-Invoicing news page on the DEAMS Outreach Portal for updates as they develop.

\*FOB Point – Specifies at what point the Seller transfers ownership of the goods/services to the Buyer

## SYSTEMS CORNER

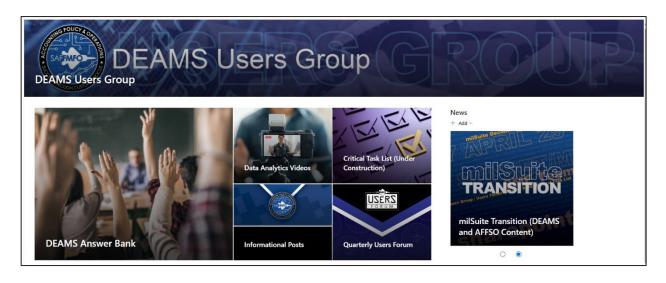


# Rewriting milBook: A New Chapter for the DEAMS Users Group

Ms. Jenny Beer, Director, SAF/FMFO Accounting Policy & Operations

Effective 30 April 2025, milSuite, including the Defense Enterprise Accounting and Management System (DEAMS) Users Group and multiple Air Force Financial Systems Operation (AFFSO) groups, was discontinued, making all DEAMS resources hosted on the platform inaccessible. This is an unfortunate blow to the large community of users who have been engaging with Accounting Policy & Operations (SAF/FMFO) Subject Matter Experts (SME) and sharing best practices amongst themselves on this platform. However, we accept this transition as an opportunity to streamline, simplify, and enhance our resources to fortify our vision of Support through Customer Focus.

With only 60 days to transition all our content from milSuite, SAF/FMFO immediately developed a plan of action to retain over 3,000 informational posts. First, we published the milSuite Transition (DEAMS and AFFSO Content) news page as a central location to keep you informed on our progress. We then began exporting our milSuite content for posting to the new DEAMS Users Group located on the DEAMS Outreach Portal and also accessible from the SAF/FMFO Accounting Policy & Operations home page. Our initial priority was to recreate our most popular content with the highest views – Critical Task List, DEAMS Answer Bank, and SAF/FMFO Users Forum topics.



Please be patient with us as we continue to refine these resources with updated links and put the puzzle back together. This has been no easy feat, but the team remains focused on providing exceptional customer-driven resources to inform and engage FMers around the globe. The new DEAMS Users Group is still monitored by the same great SMEs and contains the same informative content, just with a different look and new home.

We understand you will continue to have questions about DEAMS and DEAMS transactions. *Our team has that covered too*. The Command DEAMS SMEs (CSME) have set up the new FMFO Command SME Microsoft Teams channel. In Teams, navigate to the Ask a Command SME channel to get answers for all your financial management and system-related questions.

As we continue to get all our content settled into its new home, check back to the <u>milSuite Transition (DEAMS and AFFSO</u> Content) news page often for updates.



## THE FM BULLETIN



#### **SkillDAF Update: New BI Report**

A much-anticipated update has finally come to SkillDAF: a Unit Status of Training (SOT) Report! This new BI report gives CPTS Leadership Teams a single-page view at the current status of all Airmen in Upgrade Training (UGT), including their Skill Level, UTC, number of completed tasks, % progress, and the date of their last 623a Entry.

While this is just the first iteration of a more robust dashboard for SkillDAF training data, we hope you find value with this report today! Click <u>HERE</u> to explore more.

Email the FM Enlisted Force Development Manager at <a href="mailto:FMEFDM@groups.af.mil">FMEFDM@groups.af.mil</a> for inquiries.



#### **Elevate with the Latest Solutions from DMAS**

Discover the latest milestones from the Digital Management Automation Systems (DMAS) Robotic Process Automation (RPA) team! DMAS has expanded into Power Platform and Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning (AI/ML). They are developing custom Power Apps and Power BI Dashboards, while also exploring and integrating the future use of AI/ML. They are leveraging automation to make a significant impact in mission readiness, audit-remediation, and operational readiness.



The DMAS RPA Team provides tailored solutions for Financial Management and can evaluate your process for automation! Work with DMAS today to streamline your work processes, enhance accuracy, and allocate more time to strategic initiatives.

#### **Stay Connected:**

- Upcoming Trainings: Check the DMAS SharePoint site for upcoming course schedules and registration.

  <u>DMAS Training Team Sharepoint</u>
- Contact the DMAS RPA Team: For more information, reach out to the RPA Training Team at <a href="mailto:saf.affso.rpa">saf.affso.rpa</a> training@us.af.mil</a>





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