(Boston, MA – 18 June 2018) **General Joseph L. Lengyel Chief of National Guard Bureau (Ret.) Joins Ancient & Honorables**

On Tuesday 18 June General Joseph L. Lengyel Chief of National Guard Bureau and member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (Ret.) was sworn in as a full member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts. Command Sergeant Major Carlos Ramos the AHAC Adjutant administered the swearing in of General Lengyel. The ceremony took place at the home of LTG Scott and Nancy Rice at Bolling Air Force Base, Alexandria, VA. The General was welcomed into the Company by the Captain Commanding Nick Scharizzi of Westwood, MA.

The Ancient & Honorable Artillery Company was Chartered by the Great and General Court of Massachusetts and Governor Winthrop in 1638 to train gentlemen as officers for the Massachusetts Militia, a role which the Company fulfilled until 1912. In addition the Company has served as a ceremonial unit for the Governor and the City of Boston; and as a patriotic, fraternal organization. The Company has been headquartered at Faneuil Hall since 1745. Today members include distinguished professionals, businessmen, clerics, serving and retired military officers, including three Medal of Honor recipients; patriots all. Over the centuries the roll reads as a who’s who of Massachusetts history including President John F. Kennedy, President Calvin Coolidge, patriot William Dawes, MG Benjamin Lincoln, Senator Leverett Saltonstall, James Michael Curley, Christian Herter and many other prominent members of this Commonwealth.

The Company operates a unique military museum with free admission on the 4th Floor of Faneuil Hall, a location the AHAC has occupied since 1746, and is open Monday thru Friday 9 AM until 3:30 PM

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AHACSwearing In Ceremony at the home of LTG Scott and Nancy Rice at Bolling Air Force Base, Alexandria, VA. (L to R. AHAC Adjutant CSM Carlos Ramos, Captain Commanding Nicholas Scharizzi, Past Captain Charles McCarthy, Jr. ,GEN Joseph L. Lengyel Chief of National Guard Bureau (Ret.), AHAC Liaison Officer LTC Kenneth Wisniewski, 1LT Robert A. Imlach, LTG Leon Scott Rice, Director Air National Guard.)

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