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## Warriors Deploy for UFL 2004

Story by Pvt. Choi, Eui-jin  
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This year's 30th annual Ulchi Focus Lens, officially began at several command posts in South Korea Aug. 23, and is scheduled to end Sept. 3.

UFL is a Command Post Exercise (CPX) that utilizes computer-based simulation and is conducted in late summer of every year. The name of the exercise comes from a combination of the Ulchi exercise from 1968 and Focus Lens exercise, which started in 1954.

The main purpose of the exercise is to evaluate and improve combat tactics plans and systems necessary for combined forces of Republic of Korea and



8th U.S. Army Soldiers unload their bags in preparation for the Ulchi Focus Lens 2004.

U.S. in case of a real contingency. "Soldiers of 8th U.S. Army train during UFL to conduct Army service component command headquarters operation," said Maj. Martin L. Morford, HHC 8th U.S. Army Commander. "They train on command post operations such as set up, communications, and staff procedures. They also train on tactical skills such as deployment to training sites and personal NBC defense tasks."

For preparation, and organizational purposes, Soldiers deployed prior the exercise. The main body deployment began Aug. 20, and participating Soldiers in Korea deployed to their respective command posts. Joining the forces already on peninsula are Soldiers from CONUS, who augment the units already in place.

Soldiers in this exercise are expected to be challenged, and also learn to perform in a simulated 'war time' situation.

"I hope this will be a good chance to apply the skills that I have learned at 8th PERSCOM," said Pfc. Eric M. Gearhart, technician, 8th PERSCOM Information Management Office. "I didn't know how everything fits



Deploying Soldiers get issued their buses and bunks prior to leaving Yongsan in order to make the deployment process smoother.

together but being here, I'm learning a lot about it."

Over the next two weeks, UFL is predicted to give the Soldiers of 8th U.S. Army a taste of what wartime is about, especially in the areas of the warrior lifestyle and the Soldier's combat work ethic.

"UFL is a tremendous training opportunity for 8th U.S. Army Soldiers to train on their wartime tasks," said Morford. "Soldiers should make the most of this unique opportunity to train with both 8th U.S. Army forward and CONUS elements together. This is a time for both personal and professional growth under demanding conditions."





## Voice of Warriors: What is the one thing you want to achieve during this exercise?



Pfc. Anthony Basurto  
Cable Wire Installer  
HHD, 1st Sigal Brigade

*"I would like to get training of my primary MOS and practice on events that could occur during any emergency. I would like to get cross training as well."*



Staff Sgt. Tamika L. Deveaux  
Executive Administrative NCO  
8th U.S. Army HHC

*"To gain more knowledge about the purpose of Soldiers in Korea and to better understand why we are supporting Korea for over 50 years."*



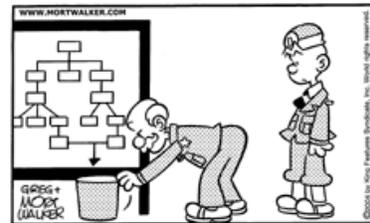
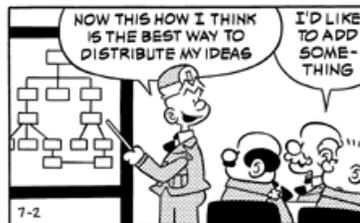
Pvt. Bae, Joo-han  
ACofS Driver  
8th U.S. Army G-3

*"I hope to build up my adaptability to wartime training and to learn the spirit of teamwork with U.S. Soldiers in my first Ulchi Focus Lens."*



Maj. Kevin Gale  
ISS Branch OIC  
8th U.S. Army G-6

*"I would like to ensure everyone has good computer/network support and my Soldiers be crossed-trained in our various responsibilities."*



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## Engineer Section: paving the way to UFL success

Story by Pfc. Yum, Tae-sung

The Army engineer's life revolves around the construction, destruction and conservation of facilities, and when war occurs, they gather information on loss of facilities around the theater, and then take necessary measures.

"Generally we deal with a flow of engineers command to peninsula, and we also deal with anything that we have to overcome or adjust," said Sgt. 1st Class Albert

Lujan, 8th U.S. Army Engineer plans NCOIC.

For this mission, the engineers have CONUS augmentees supporting them, who will be working in close cooperation throughout the exercise.

"As always, we expect the new personnel to learn how to handle programs and data because of their complexity," said Maj. David Voelker, 8th U.S. Army Engineer facilities damage officer. "It is always important to know the right place to post them and just how to

operate them."

Enlisted engineers showed similar enthusiasm.

"Everyone in the engineers say that the most important thing in the Army is teamwork, and I believe we play a large part of this teamwork within the whole of the Army," said Pfc. Na, Ki-hak, an 8th U.S. Army Engineer computer analyst. "We all associate with each other intimately, and this makes us perform our mission more easily. I am really proud of working in this office."

## Chaplin's Corner: Get Angry and get over it!

By Col. Michael W. Malone,  
8th U.S. Army Chaplain

One of the most powerful human emotions is anger. It is a rare person who has never been angry. People can get angry when their goals are frustrated. On the highways, some get angry to the point of rage when someone cuts them off. When the stresses of a military exercise start to build, the press to react in anger also builds. While anger is a common emotion, it can be self-defeating. By being angry, we place barriers in front of us which further frustrate us. On the other hand, comedian Phyllis Diller advises, "Never go to bed mad. Stay up and fight." Colin Powell, retired General and Secretary of State, has good advice: "Get mad, and then get

over it." The writer of the New Testament letter, James, gives even better advice: "My dear brothers, take note of this: everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to become angry, for man's anger does not bring about the righteous life that God desires (James 1:19-20)." When the steam rises in you, breathe deeply; take a ten second break, then act in ways that will be genuinely helpful rather than self-defeating.

### Weather for Daegu, South Korea

#### AUGUST 25



Hi Low  
81 F 66 F  
27 C 19 C

#### AUGUST 26



Hi Low  
77 F 66 F  
25 C 19 C

### What's up

#### Meal Hours - Aug. 21 to Sep. 5

Breakfast: 0530 to 0800  
Lunch: 1100 to 1300  
Dinner: 1630 to 2000  
Midnight: 2230 to 2400

### Reminders

- Consumption of alcoholic beverages is not allowed during the exercise.
- Soldiers walking to/from CP Oscar are not allowed to cut across the golf course.
- **Soldiers walking to/from CP Oscar should stay out of the bike lanes and are advised to use the sidewalks.**



# A Warrior's tribute: the origin of 'Ulchi'

Story by Pvt. Kim, Do-ho

Every summer, Republic of Korea and U.S. Soldiers in Korea conduct joint exercise called Ulchi Focus Lens (UFL). This exercise and Reception, Staging, Onward Movement & Integration (RSO&I) are the largest on the Korean peninsula.

In contrast to RSO&I, it is unlikely many people know the origin of the name UFL.

The Korean word, Ulchi, is the last name of the general who fended off the enemies of Korea during the Salsu Battle in A.D. 612. His full name is Ulchi, Mun-dok. He was the commander of Koguryo, which was an ancient Korean Kingdom located in northern parts of Korea.

The date of his birth and death are not known, but the victory he achieved in the Salsu River remains forever in Korean history because his forces did not



*Ulchi, Mun-dok*

have the military strength that the enemy had. The outbreak of the war was caused by the Soo Dynasty's invasion of Koguryo. Koguryo was a much smaller country than Soo, the unified ancient China. The odds were against him so general Ulchi and his soldiers made a strategic

retreat to snare them. Since general Ulchi ordered his soldiers not to leave any food behind, the enemies were starving upon nearing their destination.

The enemies became demoralized as time went on. He confirmed the condition of the enemies before the final battle by pretending to be a group of soldiers surrendering. He found that the enemies had lost the will to fight, so he ordered his men to prepare a counterattack. His soldiers dammed the river before the enemies arrived there, then he chased the enemy, who had already fallen into the ambush. He succeeded in luring them into the Salsu River and when

the enemies were wading through, Koguryo soldiers breached the dam releasing sharpened logs in a deadly tidal wave. This extremely effective strategy brought general Ulchi a significant victory, because only 2700 of 305,000 enemies survived the battle. It was one of the greatest victories in Korean military history.

General Ulchi has created a legacy of pride associated with his name. Now that we understand his great military achievement and know where the title 'Ulchi' came from, we can take pride in our efforts while we accomplish our mission with a sense of purpose during this exercise.

## The Spirit of "Hwarang"

It's August, and Eighth Army warriors once again have amassed, showing their combat readiness in UFL 2004.

UFL is a routine, regularly scheduled summer exercise involving forces from HHC, 8th U.S. Army. It is designed to evaluate and improve combined and joint coordination, procedures, plans and systems necessary for the conduct of contingency operation of Republic of Korea and United States Forces.

Fifteen centuries ago, when this part of Korea was known as the Kingdom of Shilla, a group of Shilla warriors called the "Hwarang" demonstrated their battle skills and their nobility in this same area. The Hwarang was a youth organization led by a single "Kook sun," the spiritual leader. Under this leader, the Hwarangs led thousands of "Nangdo" to become a Hwarang. These young, aspiring warriors trained in martial arts and in academics, aspiring to become a Hwarang. The Hwarangs gained knightly code of conduct from Hwarang-do training, and trained in beautiful places within the Kingdom to cleanse and enhance their minds and bodies.

It is in the spirit of Hwarang that this newsletter was created to honor the service members and events of this year's UFL that demonstrate the spirit of Hwarang.

This newsletter is also available on-line at <http://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/PAO/hwarang3.htm>.

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