



# COMMANDER'S CALL TOPICS

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## Priority Topic

of the  
Week

15—19 May

Have what it takes to  
“Hack the Air Force?”

Registration begins today!

- The Air Force is looking for vetted computer security specialists across the United States and in select partner nations to hack some of its key public websites.
- The participation pool has been expanded to include “white hat” hackers from the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand.
- This is part of the Cyber Secure campaign sponsored by the Air Force’s Chief Information Officer to further operationalize the domain and leverage talent from in and out of DoD.
- Small businesses and large corporations use white hat hacking and crowdsourced security concepts to improve their network security against malicious attacks.
- Bug bounty programs offer paid bounties for all legitimate vulnerabilities reported. *However, military members and federal government civilians are not eligible for compensation. They may participate on-duty with their supervisor’s written approval.*
- Established in April 2015, DoD’s ‘Hack the Pentagon’ initiative was the first bug bounty program employed by the federal government.
- More than 1,400 hackers registered to participate in the program.
- DoD received nearly 200 reports within the first six hours of the program’s launch.
- Participating hackers received a total of \$75,000 in bounties.
- Registration for the ‘Hack the Air Force’ event opens 15 May on [HackerOne](#). Once you have established an account, search for “Hack the Air Force.”
- The contest runs from May 30 to June 23.
- Full story ([AF.MIL](#))

## Personnel Topics of Interest

- First group of enlisted Airmen complete RPA training program ([AF.MIL](#))
- Expanded POL-MIL Program Opportunities for Field Grade Officers ([AF.MIL](#))
- Coalition assignment calls for helping Hands in Afghanistan, Pakistan ([AFPC](#))
- Air University cancels SOS class 17G ([AFPC](#))
- Test Pilot School applications due June 16 ([AFPC](#))

## Other Topics of Interest

- Senate Confirms Heather Wilson as Air Force Secretary ([AF.MIL](#))

## May Observances

- Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month Talking Points ([SAF/PA](#))
- Memorial Day Talking Points ([SAF/PA](#))
- *The SAF/PA site requires a CAC to access.*

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- 1) 1-2 sentence synopsis of the issue
- 2) hyperlink to further details
- 3) a POC name and contact information.

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