



Presidio of Monterey & Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center

Public Affairs Office
1759 Lewis Road, Suite 142
Monterey, CA 93944-3221
(831) 242-5555

PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Release No. 11-07

March 1, 2011

Former Language Instructor and Union Official to be remembered during instructional building dedication Friday

PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY, Calif. — The Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center's newest instruction building will be dedicated beginning at 1:30 p.m., Friday, March 4 at the Presidio. The building is named for Alfie Khalil, a former language instructor and union leader at DLIFLC who died in 2006. (See attached bio)

Congressman Sam Farr is currently scheduled to attend, and local community leaders have been invited. A short tour of the building will be offered followed by a reception in the atrium. (Building information appended below)

Col. Danial Pick, commandant of DLIFLC, said the building will be a modern addition to the Presidio's historic post.

"We have a mixture of buildings that were built early in the twentieth century," Pick said, "but these three new buildings will be state-of-the-art facilities that have the technology, the space and the configuration we need to be able to provide quality foreign language education."

Media are requested to notify Public Affairs in advance of their intent to attend the dedication at 242-5555. Due to limited parking and seating, media are advised to arrive by 1 p.m. so they can be transported via government vehicle from the Franklin gate parking area to the building.

Alfie Khalil General Instruction Building facts

- The \$28 million building will house 60 classrooms for military students learning foreign languages, the first of three scheduled for construction to accommodate the growing DLI.

POM & DLILFC Press Release: March 4 Building Dedication

- The building has 81,000 square feet of space, with configurable classrooms to enable the school to change classroom size to as small as six students.
- Designers sank the building 25 feet into the hillside of the original site to lower its height. They also reduced it from five to four stories.
- Skylights in the building provide natural lighting for some of its 60 classrooms, reducing energy costs.
- The building was completed in September 2010 by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District after which it was outfitted with furniture and data networks. It is currently in use as an instruction building.

Information news media representatives should be aware of when visiting POM/DLIFLC:

- * The Presidio of Monterey conducts 100% identification checks and random vehicle searches.
- * All individuals entering post will be subject to Federal jurisdiction.
- * All individuals entering post must have valid photo identification, and if driving must have valid driver's license and vehicle registration, as well as proof of insurance.
- * Media must coordinate visits with the Public Affairs Office prior to visiting and must be escorted at all times by either PAO or DLI's Strategic Communication office personnel.