



Colonel Pete Dillon is the strategic planning division chief, HQMC C4. He graduated from the Virginia Military Institute in 1991 and was commissioned via the NROTC program. He was assigned as a communications officer at the completion of The Basic School and subsequently reported to the Basic Communications Officer Course.

In 1992, he reported to 7th Communications Battalion in Okinawa, Japan where he served as the multi-channel platoon commander, Alpha Company. He reported to the USS Tarawa (LHA-1) in 1993 and assumed duties as the Officer in Charge, Marine Communications Detachment. During this tour he was temporarily assigned as the S6 Alpha, 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable).

He reported to the 1st Marine Division in 1995 and served tours as: S6, 1st Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion; Operations Officer, Communications Company, Headquarters Battalion; S6, 5th Marine Regiment.

In 1998 he transferred to Quantico and attended the Command and Control Systems Course where he graduated as an honor student. He was assigned to Marine Forces Pacific (MARFORPAC) in 1999 and assumed responsibilities as the Assistant Operations Officer, Central Command Desk, G6.

In 2002 he deployed to Bahrain as the G6 Operations Officer, Marine Forces Central Command (MARCENT) in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. In the summer of 2002 he transferred to Amphibious Group Three, headquartered in San Diego, California where he served as the Officer in Charge, Marine Communications Detachment.

In 2003 he deployed to Bahrain in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He served as the Task Force 51 (Amphibious Task Force) communications liaison officer to 5th Fleet (Combined Forces Maritime Component Commander).

In 2004 he moved to Tokyo, Japan and assumed duties in the J6 of U.S. Forces Japan, headquartered at Yokota Air Base. He concluded his tour in 2007 as the branch chief of J62, Operations, Exercises and Plans. In July 2007 he was directed to report to 1st Marine Aircraft Wing in Okinawa, Japan as the Assistant Chief of Staff, G6. He served in that capacity for three years.

In July, 2010 he assumed command of Region 1, Marine Corps Embassy Security Group, responsible for seventeen Marine Security Guard detachments throughout Eastern Europe and Eurasia. He was selected for top level school commencing in 2012 and subsequently served as the Commandant of the Marine Corps' fellow to the Atlantic Council for 2012-2013.