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MEMORANDUM FOR The Adjutants General of all States, Puerto Rico, the US Virgin Islands, Guam, and the Commanding General of the District of Columbia

SUBJECT: Army Deployment Period Policy

1. References.

a. Memorandum, Secretary of the Army, 4 Aug 11, subject: Army Deployment Period Policy (enclosure 1).

b. ALARACT 298/2011, 052256Z Aug 11, subject: Army Deployment Period Policy (enclosure 2).

c. EXORD, 251723Z 25 Aug 11, subject: FORSCOM Execution of Army Deployment Period Policy (enclosure 3).

2. Purpose. This memo provides the Adjutants General information on the Army Deployment Period Policy and guidance as established in the references above.

3. No later than 1 Apr 12, all ARNG General Purpose Forces (GPF) units, except high demand/low density, will execute 9-month deployment periods, or boots-on-ground (BOG), while supporting named operations outside the continental United States. Some units will transition to 9-month BOGs beginning 1 Jan 12 while others will execute original mobilization timelines.

4. High demand/low density units will continue to maximize BOG. The ARNG and FORSCOM requested an exception to policy (ETP) for Agribusiness Development Teams, ARNG Co-Deployments (OMLT/POMLT/BEST), and Military Police working dogs. This action is pending final approval. Additional exceptions will be submitted on a case-by-case basis. Headquarters, Department of the Army (HQDA) is the approval authority for such exceptions.

5. Soldiers on 9-month deployments will no longer be authorized mid-tour leave (e.g., rest and recuperation or non-chargeable rest and recuperation leave). Leave is authorized prior to or after deployment.

6. The ARNG Readiness Division will be responsible for sequencing units in accordance with 9-month BOG policy. Mobilization order lengths will remain 400 days

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to allow unit commanders the flexibility to tailor their Single Integrated Training Plans to the specific needs of their units. Soldiers redeploying to the continental United States after completing 9-month BOGs will demobilize in accordance with FORSCOM and First Army demobilization policy and procedure. Soldiers will be Released from Active Duty before the 400-day mobilization expires.

7. The transition to a 9-month BOG will be in three phases:

a. The Planning Phase (Phase I) began on 5 Aug 11 and did not affect currently deployed personnel, units in theater, or units deploying prior to 1 Jan 12. Phase I ended on 31 Dec 11.

b. The Transition Phase (Phase II) begins 1 Jan 12 and ends on 31 Mar 12. Units listed in enclosure 4 (Jan-Mar 12 Units - No BOG Change) arrive in theater during this phase and will execute their original mobilization timelines with up to 12-month BOGs. Units listed in enclosure 5 (Jan-Mar 12 Units - BOG Change) arrive in theater during this phase and will adjust their mobilization timelines to 9-month BOGs.

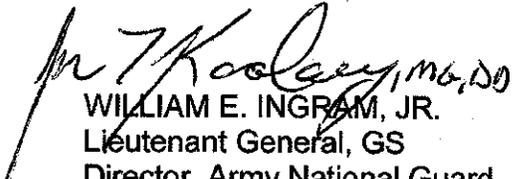
c. The Execution Phase (Phase III) begins on 1 Apr 12 with all GPF units deploying for 9-month BOGs. Enclosure 6 (Apr 12 and Later Adjusted Mobilization Dates) lists the adjusted tentative mobilization dates for these units. Enclosure 7 (Exception to Policy Units) lists ARNG and other FORSCOM-requested ETPs that are pending approval by HQDA. Enclosure 7 also includes capabilities and units supporting Kosovo Force and Information Operations, which are exempt from the 9-month BOG policy.

8. Units will not receive a modified Notification of Sourcing for adjustments made to the mobilization date; this memorandum will serve as the formal notice.

9. This memorandum will expire 1 year from the date of publication unless sooner rescinded or superseded.

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