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MEMORANDUM FOR MILPOs

SUBJECT: Termination of Delegation Authority to Award Combat Action Badge (CAB) (NGB-ARH Policy Memo # 06-038)

1. References:

- a. DMS Message, 3 Jun 05, subject: Combat Action Badge (CAB) Processing Procedures.
- b. HQDA Letter 600-05-1, 3 Jun 05, subject: Changes to the Combat Infantryman Badge and the Combat Medical Badge and the Establishment of the Combat Action Badge.
- c. DMS Message, 28 Jun 05, subject: Delegation of Combat Action Badge (CAB) Approval Authority.
- d. NGB-ARH Memorandum # 06-010, 22 Feb 06, subject: Combat Action Badge (CAB) Processing and Approval Procedures.

2. Effective 29 June 2006, NGB-ARH policy memorandum listed in reference 1d above will be superseded by this policy change. National Guard Bureau and the States will not be authorized to approve any award recommendations for the CAB after 29 June 2006. National Guard Bureau (NGB-ARZ) will not process any CAB request after 16 June 2006 to ensure they are processed prior to the termination date. Requests received at NGB after 16 June 2006 will be forwarded directly to HRC-A for processing.

3. New request for CAB after 29 June 2006 must be forwarded through the first Brigadier General commander in the chain of command to USA HRC, ATTN: AHRC-PDO-PA, 200 Stovall Street, Alexandria, VA 22332, for consideration. The criteria and supporting documentation for the CAB remains as outlined in reference 1c above.

4. Major General commanders and above, in the combat theater are still authorized to award combat badges for current operations.

5. The point of contact is SGM Greg Heffner at (703) 607-3453 or DSN 327-3453 or email: gregory.heffner@ngb.army.mil.

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