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**SUBJECT: Exceptions to Policy- Army National Guard Recruit Force Pool (RFP)
Enlistment Option**

1. References:

a. NGB-ARH Policy Memorandum #09-023, subject: Army National Guard Recruit Force Pool (RFP) Enlistment Option, dated 1 July 2009.

b. ASA (M&RA), SAMR-RR Memorandum, subject: Army National Guard Recruit Force Pool Enlistment Option, dated 21 April 2009.

2. Effective this date, an exception to policy changing the 120-day timeframe is granted for all States and Territories. Paragraph 4.a. of reference 1.a. above is modified to read: Applicants who are eligible for enlistment but cannot ship to their initial active duty training (IADT) for more than 180 days after becoming eligible to enlist in the ARNG will contract into the Inactive National Guard (ING) and be assigned to the Recruiting and Retention Command (RRC) RFP designated position (duty MOS 00F10), paragraph 026A and line 52A.

3. The purpose of this change is to assist States in achieving and maintaining end strength objectives now rather than waiting until the end of the fiscal year. Additionally, States are reminded of the original RFP purpose, which is to enhance readiness by managing end strength and reducing the period of time that non-MOSQ Soldiers hold positions in the operational force. Therefore, continued emphasis is required shipping and negative end on the management of negative end strength in order to facilitate more opportunities for recruiting quality Soldiers.

4. This exception to policy will expire 30 September 2010 unless sooner rescinded or superseded.

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