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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

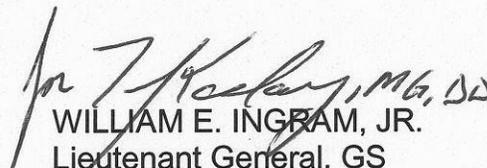
SUBJECT: Full Implementation of the Individual Ready Reserve Affiliation Program

1. This directive authorizes the ARNG's participation in the Individual Ready Reserve Affiliation Program (IAP), envisioning full implementation across the 54 States and Territories, to include the District of Columbia. Over the past 5 months, seven States have participated with the United States Army Reserve (USAR) and the Army Human Resources Command (HRC) in the pilot IAP, affiliating over 4,000 Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) Soldiers, enlisted and officers, with local USAR and ARNG units. I encourage the remaining 47 States and Territories to fully embrace this critical program and implement it no later than 29 February 2012.

2. Background. The ARNG joined in partnership with the USAR and the HRC to assist those Soldiers transitioning from active duty to the IRR and to help them stay connected to their Army Family and the military support network. In the IAP, ARNG and USAR units function as local resources to IRR Soldiers and their Families, providing support and assistance when requested, and connecting them to the DOD, the community, and other resources. The IAP also offers the added benefit of making those IRR Soldiers affiliated with ARNG units aware of the many available opportunities for continued service in the Army National Guard.

3. On or about 1 January 2012, the HRC began the initial affiliation process for Soldiers transitioning from active duty to the IRR. I have directed the ARNG G-1 to field implementation guidance for this program.

4. The point of contact is COL Dennis P. Chapman, Chief, Personnel Policy Division, at DSN 327-5904, 703-607-5904, or dennis.chapman@us.army.mil.


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