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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: TAG Policy Letter #20, Mobilization Dwell Policy regarding Army National Guard Soldiers

1. The previous policy of limiting involuntary mobilizations pursuant to Title 10, United States Code 12302 to 24 cumulative months is rescinded based on the Secretary of Defense Memorandum, "Utilization of the Total Force," dated January 19, 2007. **Therefore, this memorandum rescinds TAG Policy Letter #20, "Mobilization of Army National Guard Soldiers," dated 12 June 2006.** The nation no longer uses Contingency Operations Temporary Tour of Active Duty orders to manage Reserve or Guard Soldiers who are called up for multiple mobilizations.

2. Terms of Partial Mobilization under 10 USC 12302 (Pursuant to Executive Order 13223):

a. **STATUTORY:** The statutory authority for ordering units and members of the Ready Reserve to involuntary active duty in response to the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks is 10 U.S.C. 12302. The provision specifies that the period of involuntary active duty for units and members of the Ready Reserve shall not exceed 24 consecutive months. The provision also requires the fair treatment of members of the Ready Reserve regarding their involuntary call-up by considering members' previous duty, family responsibility, and employment to maintain national health, safety, or interest.

b. POLICY:

(1) Units or individuals with mobilization orders pursuant to 10 USC 12302 published on or after January 19, 2007 shall comply with their mobilization orders for the full period specified, which will not exceed 12 months at any one time, except at Service discretion this period may exclude individual skill training required for deployment and post-mobilization leave. However, such orders may be amended to extend the period of mobilization with approval by the Secretary of Defense, or designee.

(2) Effective 19 January 2007, the planning objective for involuntary mobilization of Guard units will remain one year mobilized to five years demobilized (1:5). However, today's global demands will require a number of selected units and individuals be mobilized again sooner than this standard.

(3) No Soldier shall be involuntarily mobilized again under Title 10 U.S.C. 12302 without a minimum of 2 years dwell (home station) time. This policy includes Soldiers transferring to the Kansas National Guard from any Active component. Furthermore, I will personally review and approve or deny any Soldier generated request to volunteer for re-mobilization before the individual has less than 1 year dwell. Each level of a Soldier's chain of command, (Company/Battery, Battalion, Brigade) must approve by separate memorandum the Soldier's request before I will entertain any appeals. Personal interviews with Soldiers requesting re-mobilization within the first year of their dwell time is required without exception. The approval authority for Soldiers with more than one (1) year of dwell time but less than two (2) total years is the Brigade commander or equivalent who will personally interview the Soldier and provide a document confirming their approval or denial to JFHQKS-DCSOPS-MRO. Voluntary tours of duty (i.e., those tours authorized pursuant to Title 10 U.S.C. 12301(d)), shall be considered as dwell time for members performing such tours.

(4) The only exceptions to this policy are: key leaders who are assigned to the unit when the unit is notified by the Joint Forces Headquarters and full-time Soldiers who are expected to deploy with their unit of assignment.

3. Soldiers will not be permitted to conduct Soldier Readiness Processing or be added to a unit Deployment Manning Document until a dwell waiver has been approved.

4. The staff proponent for this policy is the Deputy Chief of Staff Operations who can be reached at (785) 274-1101.

5. This policy must be conspicuously posted to armory/unit bulletin boards and each Soldier is to be made aware of this policy.

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