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DEPARTMENTS OF THE AIR FORCE,
THE ARMY, AND THE NAVY
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Personnel Services

ENVIRONMENTAL AND MORALE PROGRAM FOR DESIGNATED OVERSEA BASES

This regulation establishes an environmental and morale program whereby eligible personnel stationed at designated oversea bases may be authorized travel on military aircraft under the conditions stipulated herein. This regulation, however, will not affect the provisions of special environmental and morale programs established by separate instructions of the Secretary of Defense, i.e.: Program for Republic of Vietnam. Also, this regulation is not intended to affect travel of U.S. military personnel, unaccompanied by dependents, traveling in a leave status.

1. Policy. It is recognized that morale is affected when personnel must perform duties at certain oversea installations where adverse environmental conditions exist. Therefore, it has been determined that Department of Defense military and civilian personnel and their authorized dependents may be afforded space available travel privileges on military aircraft, for leave purposes, from these installations to a more desirable place at periodic intervals. Provided additional space is available, certain other individuals and their authorized dependents may participate in the program.

2. Control of Program. Implementation of this program will be accomplished by regulations issued by the commanders of unified and specified commands to insure that administrative controls are effected to permit eligible personnel to participate. At the discretion of the commanders of unified and specified commands concerned, delegation of authority for implementation of this program to a component or other subordinate element is authorized. The program will be in accordance with the policy guidance contained herein.

a. Normally one trip per year is afforded participants; however, additional trips may be authorized by the local commanders when sufficient space is available.

b. Dependents may travel only when accompanied by their sponsor.

c. Sponsor will be in a leave status.

d. Travel opportunity will be afforded on an equitable basis to officers, enlisted personnel, and civilian employees and accompanying dependents without regard to rank or grade, military or civilian, or branch of service.

e. Military aircraft will *not* be scheduled primarily for this program, and the privilege extended by this regulation does not include authority for any additional expenditure of funds or flying hours.

f. Authorizations for travel issued in connection with this program will contain only one specified place to which travel may be performed. Travel to or via the continental United States (CONUS) is *not* authorized under this program. (CONUS includes the 48 adjoining States and the District of Columbia.)

g. Theater or international restrictions will be complied with.

h. All directives and requirements pertaining to passports, visas, foreign customs, and immunizations will be complied with.

i. Participating individuals will:

(1) Accomplish air transportation agreement in accordance with the effective edition of AFR 76-6/AR 96-20/OPNAVINST 4630.10 for travel on non-MATS aircraft. (NOTE: This does not apply to military personnel.)

(2) Have sufficient personal funds available to defray cost of return trip to home base via commercial transportation in the event space

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available military air transportation cannot be provided.

(3) Not exceed the maximum baggage allowance of 66 pounds per passenger. Excess baggage will not be accepted.

3. Designated Bases. The Unified/Specified Commander will review conditions at bases within his geographical area of responsibility where morale depressants exist due to adverse environment. Bases selected for participation in this program must be limited to those where one or more of the following elements exist:

a. *Extraordinarily difficult living conditions*, e.g., geographic isolation, substandard housing, inadequate commercial transportation, and lack of cultural and recreational facilities.

b. *Notably unhealthful conditions*, e.g., high incidence of disease and epidemics, lack of public sanitation, and inadequate health control measures.

c. *Excessive physical hardship*, e.g., deleterious effects of climate and altitude and dangerous conditions affecting life, physical well-being, or mental health.

Bases that have large populations or are situated near cities which have cultural, social, or recreational facilities will not normally be designated.

4. Specified Places. The Unified/Specified Commander will specify places to which travel from the designated bases may be performed. These places should be relatively near the designated bases and in an area where opportunity for space available travel may be afforded.

5. Who Is Eligible. Personnel in the following categories may participate in this program under governing instructions published as an implementation of this regulation:

a. U.S. military personnel and their authorized dependents (for active duty personnel only).

b. U.S. citizen employees of the Department of Defense and the U.S. military services and their authorized dependents when these employees are eligible for Government transportation to the United States upon completion of their tour of duty.

c. In addition, the following categories of U.S. citizen civilian employees may participate in the program, on an equitable basis, when the senior representative of the agency concurs, and the

requirements of this regulation are complied with:

(1) U.S. citizen employees of other U.S. Federal Government agencies and their authorized dependents stationed at the designated bases.

(2) Uniformed, full-time, paid personnel of the American Red Cross, on duty with the Armed Forces at the designated base, and their authorized dependents.

(3) Nonappropriated fund employees who are U.S. citizens recruited from the U.S. and their authorized dependents, on duty with the Armed Forces at the designated base.

NOTE: U.S. military personnel and Department of Defense civilian personnel stationed at designated bases, regardless of their command assignment (e.g., Attaches/Military Missions or any other oversea commander who reports directly to the respective service headquarters or a CONUS command) will be governed, with respect to this program, by directives published by the Unified/Specified Commander as an implementation of this regulation. Additionally, when units of one unified/specified command are in the geographic area of or occupy facilities of another unified/specified command, the directives published by the responsible geographic commander of unified/specified command will govern the program for that area.

6. How Travel Will Be Accomplished. Authorization for travel will identify personnel as valid participants in this program. *All travel will be on a space available, nonreimbursable basis.*

a. Military air transportation may be furnished in accordance with authority pertaining to this program contained in the effective edition of AFR 76-6/AR 96-20/OPNAVINST 4630.10, and the effective edition of AFR 76-15/AR 59-12/OPNAVINST 4630.12/NAVMC 2536.

b. Travel under this program need not be restricted to scheduled military air transportation. Provided facilities are available and prescribed safety standards and regulations are adhered to, nonscheduled military aircraft may be utilized.

7. Effective Date. Within 120 days of receipt of this regulation the Unified/Specified Command concerned will forward to Headquarters USAF (AFPMPPD); MATS (MAOTR), Scott AFB, Ill.; Chief of Naval Operations; Headquarters U.S. Army; and Headquarters U.S. Marine Corps, five copies each of implementing direc-



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tives. Five copies of any subsequent clarifications, additions, or modifications to such directives will be similarly forwarded when such changes are made.

8. Conflicting Instructions. When Unified/Specified Command implementation is effected, this regulation supersedes: JANAF message AFCVC 42176, DTG 192117Z Aug 1955, and all amendments thereto on the subject of "Off-duty Air Travel for Morale Purposes in Isolated Areas"; instructions issued in connection with "Program for Relief from Environmental Conditions for Health Purposes"; and any other direc-

tives issued at any level pertaining to travel of personnel other than military for purposes of "morale". In addition, nothing herein shall contravene space available travel privileges on MATS and other airlift available as authorized, by the effective editions of AFR 76-6/AR 96-20/OPNAVINST 4630.10 and AFR 76-15/AR 59-12/OPNAVINST 4630.12/NAVMC 2536.

9. JCS Review and Approval. The Joint Chiefs of Staff have reviewed and approved this multi-Service regulation as pertains to responsibilities and authority assigned to the commanders of unified and specified commands.

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