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This revision of AR 601-54, includes accelerated processing procedures currently in effect for the processing of medical specialist registrants; accelerated processing procedures for background investigations for alien physicians; prescribes the procedures to be followed by area commanders and The Surgeon General as the Executive agent in processing doctors of medicine, osteopathy, dentistry, veterinary medicine, or optometry, male nurses and other allied medical specialists; and prescribes policy and commissioning procedures applicable to the processing of those medical specialist registrants who are allocated to the Department of the Army. Instructions are included for the completion of the Report of Medical Specialist Registrants ordered for Induction, RCS MED-192 (R1). Local limited supplementation of this regulation is permitted but is not required. If supplements are issued, Army staff agencies and major Army commands will furnish one copy of each to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R; other commands will furnish one copy of each to the next higher headquarters.

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CHAPTER 1

GENERAL

1-1. Purpose. This regulation prescribes the procedures to be followed by area commanders and by The Surgeon General as Executive Agent in processing doctors of medicine, osteopathy, dentistry, veterinary medicine, or optometry, male nurses and other allied medical specialists, all of whom are hereinafter referred to as medical specialists and who are liable for induction in to the Armed Forces under the Military Selective Service Act of 1967 with respect to—

a. Making determination whether a medical specialist registrant, should be referred for preinduction processing.

b. Determining the acceptability of medical specialist registrants who are referred for determination of acceptability after preinduction processing as prescribed in AR 601-270.

c. Allocating to the military departments those medical specialist registrants who have been found acceptable for service and ordered for induction by the Selective Service System.

d. Notifying the Selective Service System, the registrant involved, and the military department concerned regarding the action taken under this regulation. In addition, this regulation prescribes the Department of Army policy and commissioning procedures applicable to the processing of those medical specialist registrants who are allocated to the Department of the Army.

1-2. Responsibilities. *a.* Except as otherwise indicated, area commanders are responsible for actions prescribed herein. As used in this regulation, the term "area commander" includes the commanding generals, CONUS armies; United States Army, Hawaii; United States Army, Alaska; and United States Army Forces Southern Command. Area commanders will—(1) Process to completion and dispose of the forms prescribed in paragraph 2-5c for all those registrants whose preinduction examination is accomplished within his area, without regard to the address of the medical specialist registrant concerned or the location of the local Selective Service Board with which he is registered.

(2) Initiate FBI name checks on all United States citizen medical specialist registrants ordered for induction and forward the results thereof to the appropriate official of the department concerned.

b. The Commanding General, First United States Army, is responsible for processing medical specialist registrants whose preinduction examination is accomplished in Europe, Africa, and the Near East.

c. The Commanding General, Third United States Army, is responsible for processing medical specialist registrants, whose preinduction examination is accomplished in South America and Puerto Rico.

d. The Commanding General, Fourth United States Army, is responsible for processing medical specialist registrants whose preinduction examination is accomplished in Central America and Mexico.

e. The Commanding General, Fifth United States Army, is responsible for processing medical specialist registrants whose preinduction examination is accomplished in Canada.

f. The Commanding General, Sixth United States Army, is responsible for processing medical specialist registrants whose preinduction examination is accomplished in the Middle and Far East.

g. The Commanding General, United States Army Recruiting Command, is responsible for the preinduction examination of medical specialist registrants located within his area of jurisdiction.

1-3. Volunteers. Effective on the date a special call for medical specialist registrants who are doctors of medicine, dentistry, or osteopathy is announced by the Department of Defense, all procurement processing of draft eligible registrants in the health professions for which the special call is announced will be suspended, except for processing pertaining to appointments in the regular components, the Armed Forces deferment programs, military residency programs and appointment processing of those ordered for induction and allocated to a service. This suspension will remain

in effect until the special call has been completed and termination has been announced by the Department of Defense. Individuals whose processing is suspended and others liable for induction

under the special call who desire to enter the military service should be encouraged to volunteer for induction with the appropriate State Director of Selective Service.

CHAPTER 2

EXECUTIVE AGENT PROCEDURES

2-1. Special calls. The Secretary of Defense, as required, places special calls upon the Director of Selective Service for the induction of specified numbers of medical specialist registrants into the Armed Forces. Selective Service State Directors furnish the names of registrants ordered for induction to the area commanders in whose geographic area the registrant underwent his pre-induction examination.

2-2. Executive agent. The Surgeon General, Department of the Army, is the official designated to act as the Executive Agent for the Department of Defense in the implementation of these special calls. Area commanders perform certain actions as prescribed herein as agents of the Executive Agent. Headquarters, Department of the Army, will announce the number by area command of medical specialist registrants for each special call to be allocated to each of the military departments participating in the special call. This announcement will include the specific professional skills, when applicable, which will be centrally allocated by the Executive Agent rather than by area commanders. In the directive announcing this information, such special instructions as may be required for the conduct of a particular special call will be included. Noncitizen registrants will be allocated proportionately to the participating services.

2-3. Military department representatives. *a.* The Department of Navy and Department of Air Force have agreed to advise the Executive Agent of their critical needs for specific professional skills, as appropriate, and to designate representatives at department level for each special call. The Executive Agent will coordinate with the departmental representatives the allocation of the critical professional skills and the allocation of registrants in Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico, and Canal Zone.

b. The Department of the Navy and Department of Air Force have also agreed to submit the

names of their representatives at area command level in CONUS to the commander of each area concerned. Allocations will be made by area commanders in consultation with the designated Navy and Air Force representatives, except for those allocations made as provided in paragraph 2-2.

c. When the instructions pertaining to a special call indicate that a particular service is not participating in that call, the representatives of the non-participating service will not be consulted in making allocations.

2-4. Requests for determination as to whether a medical specialist registrant should be forwarded for preinduction examination. *a.* The medical advisor to a Selective Service local board may be of the opinion that a medical specialist registrant is obviously unacceptable for service as a medical specialist registrant. In such instances, the State Director of Selective Service may refer to the area commander the original DD Form 47 (Record of Induction) for a determination of acceptability together with all documentary evidence relating to the registrant's medical, physical, and/or mental condition.

b. The area commander will review the documentary evidence relating to the individual's condition and, if adequate, determine whether or not the registrant should be referred for Armed Forces medical examination and immediately notify the State Director of Selective Service concerned regarding the decision. DD Form 47 and all documentary evidence submitted will be returned with the notification. Controversial or questionable cases will be referred to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPS-SP, Department of the Army, Washington, DC 20314, for resolution.

2-5. Determination of acceptability for military service. *a.* Professional acceptability will be determined by the AFEEES commander as indicated in paragraph 3-42a, AR 601-270.

b. Moral standards.

(1) A medical specialist registrant will be found not acceptable for military service if he has—

(a) Been convicted by a civil court of any offense where total sentence, period of parole, probation, suspended sentence, or any other form of civil restraint exceeds 1 year, or of any offense punishable by death.

(b) Had frequent difficulties with law enforcement agencies or has exhibited alcoholism, drug addiction, or traits of character which in the opinion of the AFEES commander render him unfit to associate with military personnel.

(c) Previously been separated from one or more of the Armed Forces under other than honorable conditions or for the good of the service concerned.

(d) Criminal charges filed and pending against him, alleging a violation of a State, Federal, or territorial statute.

(2) A medical specialist registrant who has been convicted by a civil court and whose total sentence, period of parole, suspended sentence, or other form of civil restraints is for 1 year or less may be found acceptable for military service if in the opinion of the AFEES commander the circumstances in the case warrant such action.

c. Area commanders will review preinduction files upon receipt to insure that they are complete. Files of registrants will include as a minimum DD Form 1548 (Preinduction Processing and Commissioning Data—Medical, Dental, and Allied Specialist Categories) 1 copy; SF 88 (Report of Medical Examination) original and 1 copy with consultation reports and other statements relating to the registrant's medical fitness for military service which were utilized in his evaluation; SF 89 (Report of Medical History) original and 1 copy; X-ray film (when appropriate); and in the case of noncitizen registrants, DD Form 398 (Statement of Personal History) 3 copies; FD Form 258 (FBI Fingerprint Card) 4 copies; and DD Form 1584 (DOD National Agency Check Request) 1 set. Acceptability of the registrant will be verified based upon the information contained therein. Moral acceptability of noncitizen registrants will be based upon the results of the National Agency Check required by paragraph 3-45, AR 601-270. These are the only forms re-

quired for processing medical specialist registrants for appointment under this regulation.

d. Medical fitness standards contained in chapter 8, AR 40-501, will apply to all medical specialist registrants. Reports of medical examination will be valid for a period of 2 years.

e. AFEES procedures are prescribed in AR 601-270.

2-6. Allocation of medical specialist registrants during a special call. *a.* Upon receipt of a copy of Selective Service System Order to Report for Induction (SSS Form 252) under a current special call, the area commander will allocate medical specialist registrants within 3 working days of receipt of the order for induction. Allocation will be made to the participating services in accordance with paragraphs 2-2 and 2-3. Letters of allocation to the Department of Army will contain such information as the area commander desires to provide for the orderly and expeditious processing of the registrant. Copies of letters of allocation will be forwarded to the gaining service, the registrant's local Selective Service Board, and the Executive Agent. Preinduction files will be forwarded to the service of allocation concurrently with the registrant's letter of allocation. A copy of the allocation letter will serve to account for the disposition of these files.

b. Copies of letters of cancellation of a registrant's order to report for induction for reasons other than commissioning received after allocation will be forwarded by the area commander to the service of allocation and to the Executive Agent. The service of allocation will return the registrant's preinduction file to the area commander concerned.

c. A copy of the order for induction and a copy of the letter of cancellation received before allocation will be sent by the area commanders to the Executive Agent.

d. Letters of allocation addressed to a registrant returned to the Army commander because of inadequate or incorrect address will be referred to the individual's local Selective Service Board for determination of the registrant's current address. The service of allocation and the Executive Agent will be sent copies of correspondence initiated in this matter and will be advised of final disposition of the registrant.

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2-7. **Investigative procedures.** *a.* Upon receipt of an order for induction for a United States citizen medical specialist registrant, the area commander will immediately initiate an FBI name check as described in the appendix. The results thereof will be transmitted to the service of the

registrant's allocation concurrently with the transfer of preinduction files or as soon thereafter as the results of the name check are received.

b. The service to which a noncitizen registrant is allocated will initiate a request for a background investigation.

CHAPTER 3

COMMISSIONING PROCEDURES FOR REGISTRANTS ALLOCATED TO THE ARMY

3-1. General. This chapter prescribes the procedures for appointment and active duty of medical specialist registrants allocated to the Army, volunteers for active duty in the Medical Corps or Dental Corps, and the following programs:

a. Armed Forces Physicians' Appointment and Residency Consideration Program (Berry Plan); Armed Forces Osteopathic Residency Deferment Program (ORD); Armed Forces Dental Officer Allocation and Commissioning Program (DOCP); and Armed Forces Veterinary Officer Postgraduate Training Program (VOPTP). See AR 135-50.

b. Reappointment in the Medical Corps, Dental Corps, or Veterinary Corps of participants in the Medical Department Early Commissioning Program and to individuals initially appointed as Reserve commissioned officers upon completion of the advanced course, ROTC, and delayed under AR 601-25 and AR 601-26 from entry on active duty, and to those selected for participation under AR 135-14.

3-2. Restrictions on appointment. *a.* Applications from medical registrants who are not participants in the Armed Forces Reserve Physicians' Appointment and Residency Consideration Program, or the Armed Forces Osteopathic Residency Deferment Program, or who participated in these programs and were not allocated to the Army, will not be accepted prior to 1 March of the year following the registrant's graduation from medical or osteopathic school.

★*b.* Applications from dental registrants who are participants in the Armed Forces Reserve Dental Officer Allocation and Commissioning Program, but who are not allocated to the Army, may be accepted subject to concurrence of the department to which allocated. Applications from dental registrants who are not participants in the Dental Officer Allocation and Commissioning Program may be accepted at any time; however, they may not be appointed until after graduation. Applicants for the Dental Officer Allocation and Commissioning Program will be given priority for appointment and active duty.

c. Medical and dental registrants who apply for appointment and participation in the Regular Army procurement programs as described in AR 601-130 and AR 601-131 will be governed by the procedures prescribed in those regulations and, in addition, will be concurrently processed for appointment in the Army Reserve under this regulation so that timely entry on active duty of selected applicants may be made.

3-3. Time limitation. The objective for registrants whose application and active duty forms indicate that they are U.S. citizens, graduates of approved schools of medicine, osteopathy, or dentistry and are otherwise qualified in accordance with AR 135-101 is tender of a Reserve commission within 10 days of allocation action.

3-4. Instructions to Army allocatees. *a.* Registrants will be given 10 working days after notification that they have been allocated to the Army to complete and return the necessary forms for processing for active duty, including the Statement of Understanding described in figure 3-1. In the case of U.S. citizens who are doctors of medicine, dentistry, or osteopathy, instructions will be accompanied by letter of appointment as a Reserve commissioned officer and oath of office (para 3-11). Registrant will be advised that he should not accept appointment if he—

(1) Has an appeal pending with respect to his order for induction.

(2) Has accepted appointment in another service, or

(3) Is on active duty with the U.S. Public Health Service.

Registrants will be advised that requests for deferment or exemption should be directed to their local Selective Service Boards rather than to the area commander.

b. Individuals who fail to respond within 10 calendar days after the due date above will be sent a letter by registered mail advising them that failure to respond within 5 working days will result in their being reported to their local boards as having failed to respond to correspondence involving commissioning action. A copy of this let-

ter will be sent to the individual's local board and to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R. In those instances where the registrant fails to respond, the registrant's local board will be advised within 10 working days that the registrant has failed to reply to correspondence and has failed to apply for a commission. A copy of this letter will be sent to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R. Statements of registrants claiming an appeal of their order for induction will be verified with the appropriate State Director of Selective Service. A reasonable time will be granted the individual for his appeal to be acted upon and The Surgeon General will be advised. Under no circumstances will the individual be advised that he will be drafted as an enlisted man if he fails to apply for or accept his commission. This is the responsibility of the individual's local Selective Service Board. Every effort will be made, within reason, to insure that questions of deferment or exemption are resolved by the Selective Service System.

3-5. Determination of acceptability. Area commanders will, subsequent to receipt of SSS Form 252 (Selective Service System Order to Report for Induction) from the Selective Service System, determine the acceptability of the registrant for appointment in the Medical Corps or Dental Corps. Files of veterinarians, optometrists, male nurses, and other allied medical specialists including assignment questionnaires (para 3-6) and Statement of Understanding (para 3-4) will be forwarded to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R for determination of acceptability and continuing action. Appointment of registrants in the Veterinary Corps, Medical Service Corps, or Army Nurse Corps will be tendered by the Department of the Army. The applicable provisions of paragraph 1-5, AR 135-100; AR 135-101, AR 601-139 and AR 604-10 apply. In those cases where the area commander determines that the registrant is not acceptable for appointment as a commissioned officer, he will furnish DD Form 62 (Statement of Acceptability) to the appropriate State Director of Selective Service. Questionable cases will be forwarded to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R, Department of the Army, Washington, DC 20314, for final determination.

3-6. Army Medical Department Officer Initial Assignment Questionnaire (DA Form 2694).

Area commanders will forward four copies of DA Form 2694 to the registrant concurrently with notification of allocation. The registrant will be notified of the purpose and importance of this form and will be instructed to return three copies to the forwarding headquarters with the other forms. He will be advised of on-the-job training opportunities then current and that he should indicate his interest if he desires to be considered for such training. The registrant will be advised to record on the reverse of DA Form 2694 any pertinent information relating to his utilization in the service, including personal problems, specialized training or experience. When the three copies are forwarded to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R, Department of the Army, Washington, DC 20314, this form will be marked on the bottom "TE (call number) MD" for all doctors of medicine and "TE (call number) DO" for doctors of osteopathy. The appropriate abbreviation will be used for other medical disciplines.

3-7. Nominations for active duty (MC and DC only). Area commanders will submit weekly nominations for active duty to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R, each Friday. They will accompany the report cited in chapter 4. The weekly nominations submission will include all special call registrants tendered an appointment during that particular week. Nominations will not be delayed until receipt of the executed oath of office. Nominations will be in the form of a separate consolidated roster, in duplicate, of name, grade, social security number only, with three copies of DA Form 2694 attached thereto for each nominee. No other information is necessary.

3-8. Postponement of induction. Area commanders will establish liaison with the State Director of Selective Service of the registrant's State of registration to insure postponement of induction for a registrant who has not yet been commissioned, but whose application for a commission is being actively processed. Cases of noncitizens will be clearly identified as requiring more than 30 days to accomplish prescribed security investigative requirements.

3-9. Exemption and delay from active duty. See AR 601-25.

3-10. Separation prior to entry on active duty. Request for discharge will be processed as outlined

in chapter 3, AR 601-25. Once appointed, an officer will not be separated without prior concurrence of The Surgeon General.

3-11. Appointment in USAR, MC, or DC. *a.* Grade of USAR appointment will be determined in accordance with paragraph 14, AR 135-101.

b. Appointee will be directed to return the oath of office—DA Form 71 (Oath of Office—Military Personnel) within 72 hours of receipt. Applicants also will be advised to inform their Selective Service local board regarding their commissioned status as soon as they return their oath of office.

c. At the time a properly executed oath of office is received from the officer concerned, the area commander will—

(1) Prepare DD Form 44 (Record of Military Status of Registrant) and forward it to the appropriate Selective Service local board confirming the notice given by the officer.

(2) Distribute the completed forms as indicated in AR 135-100, except that if the officer's State of residence is not located within the area commander's jurisdiction, the responsibility for maintaining the officer's field 201 file remains with the area commander responsible for effecting his appointment, until entrance on active duty of the officer concerned.

d. Appointment of qualified applicants subsequent to induction.

(1) Fully qualified applicants who have been inducted into the Army may be appointed under this regulation upon submission of the forms and allied papers referred to in paragraph 2-5c. The application will be submitted by the applicant to his immediate commanding officer who in turn will forward it direct to the area commander under whose jurisdiction the applicant is then serving.

(2) When an applicant executes an oath of office in connection with an appointment tendered pursuant to this paragraph, his commanding officer will immediately notify The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT R, Department of the Army, Washington, DC 20314. Such notification will indicate the registrant's commissioned grade, service number, and MOS code, and should be accompanied by DA Form 2694 (para 3-6).

(3) Upon receipt of the notification referred to above, The Surgeon General will forward instructions for issuance of active duty orders for

the individual concerned to the appropriate area commander.

e. Letters of appointment will cite the applicable regulation under which the appointment is being processed, e.g., Doctor-Dentist Draft—AR 601-54; Berry Plan—AR 135-50; Early Commissioning Program—AR 601-140. The applicable personnel procurement number contained in AR 601-110 will be cited.

3-12. Active duty orders (MC and DC only). See AR 601-134. Two copies of active duty orders will be forwarded on the date of publication to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-RD. Orders will reflect PPN TE ---- (MD or DO as appropriate).

3-13. National Agency Checks. *a.* The commander of the individual's first unit of duty assignment whether on permanent change of station or temporary duty will initiate a National Agency Check for United States citizens for whom this has not already been accomplished.

b. Commanders responsible for initiating FBI name checks will initiate a National Agency Check for all registrants for whom a code of SFC or SFS answer is received from Defense Central Index of Investigations (DCII).

c. An individual already appointed, for whom an unfavorable National Agency Check is received, will be processed as outlined in AR 635-100.

3-14. Background investigation and appointment of alien medical specialist registrants. *a.* Area commanders will require that a background investigation be initiated on each alien medical specialist registrant being processed for appointment. Requests for background investigation will be identified as "ALIEN MEDIC-PRIORITY." At time of submission, the area commander will request that the National Agency Check portion of the background investigation be furnished at the earliest practicable date, unless previously accomplished as required by section VII, chapter 3, AR 601-270.

b. When requested, the Commanding General, U.S. Army Intelligence Command, will notify the area commander of the results of the National Agency Check portion of the background investigation at the earliest practicable date.

c. The area commander, upon receipt of a favorable National Agency Check, will nominate

the alien medical specialist registrant to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R, Department of the Army, Washington, DC 20314, for assignment provided he is otherwise qualified for appointment.

d. Upon receipt of assignment instructions which will not assign the alien to an area in which the United States Armed Forces are in direct military conflict with the alien's fellow nationals, the area commander will tender the alien medical specialist registrant an appointment in the Army of the United States to be effective concurrently with his entry on active duty as specified in assignment instructions. The oath of service and obedience provided in *e* below may be utilized should an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence decline to take the oath contained in DA Form 71 (Oath of Office—Military Personnel). Include under special instructions of the active duty order the following: "tender of USAR appointment pending results of background investigation initiated on (date)." The Commanding General, U.S. Army Intelligence Command, ATTN: ICDI-SI, Fort Holabird, MD 21219, will be included in the distribution of initial and subsequent assignment orders. A 3 by 5 card with the above instructions will be stapled or fastened securely on the inside left cover of the Military Personnel Records Jacket, U.S. Army (DA Form 201). Reference will be made to this paragraph on the card. When USAR appointment has been tendered or other disposition is made as indicated in *e* below, the card will be removed and destroyed.

e. Upon completion of the background investigation, the Commanding General, U.S. Army Intelligence Command, will forward the dossier to the area commander in whose jurisdiction the AUS officer is assigned. The area commander will determine the acceptability of the officer for appointment in the U.S. Army Reserve. If found acceptable in accordance with the criteria contained in paragraph 4*e*, AR 135-101, he will tender the AUS officer an appointment in the USAR. AR 601-54 will be cited in the letter of appointment. Aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence may be appointed in the USAR, if otherwise qualified. In the event the AUS officer being processed for appointment in the USAR under this regulation does not desire to take the oath of

allegiance contained in DA Form 71 (Oath of Office—Military Personnel) he may, pursuant to subsection 5(a) Military Selective Service Act of 1967 be administered the following oath of service and obedience:

I _____, a citizen of _____, and without intention of surrendering such citizenship, having been appointed a _____, United States Army Reserve, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will serve the United States against all their enemies whomsoever, with the exception of my native country, and that I will honestly and faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter, So Help Me God.

Should the area commander determine that the AUS officer is unacceptable for appointment in the USAR, he will forward the case with appropriate recommendations to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R, Department of the Army, Washington, DC 20314. The Surgeon General will approve or disapprove the recommendation of the area commander and will forward the cases where separation is recommended to The Adjutant General, ATTN: AGPO-SE, Department of the Army, Washington, DC 20315. The Adjutant General will take action to relieve the officer from active duty and terminate his appointment in the Army of the United States in those cases referred by The Surgeon General. The provisions of AR 604-10 are not applicable for the processing of cases under this regulation.

f. Alien medical specialist registrants who are identified as participants in the International Exchange Visitors' Program in possession of a "J" or similar visa will not be processed for appointment. The area commander receiving a notice of induction for such an individual will inform the appropriate State Director of Selective Service that the individual may not be appointed under current service regulations.

g. A statement of understanding (fig. 3-2) for appointment as a commissioned officer in the Army of the United States will be completed in triplicate. The original will be filed in the officer's Military Personnel Folder; the duplicate will be filed in the officer's Military Personnel Records Jacket, U.S. Army (DA Form 201); the triplicate will be given to the officer concerned.

h. Letter of appointment in the Army of the United States without component will read substantially as indicated in figure 3-3.

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

FOR

APPOINTMENT AS A COMMISSIONED OFFICER
(CITIZENS MEDICAL SPECIALISTS REGISTRANTS)

I understand that my appointment as a commissioned officer in the United States Army Reserve is being accomplished prior to completion of required National Agency Check.

I further understand that if as a result of completion of the post-commissioning investigative procedures I am determined unacceptable for appointment as a commissioned officer, I will be discharged from the United States Army and that I will receive an Honorable Discharge Certificate.

(Signature)

(Name typed)

Figure 3-1.

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

FOR

APPOINTMENT AS A COMMISSIONED OFFICER
(NON-CITIZENS MEDICAL SPECIALISTS REGISTRANTS)

I understand that my appointment as a commissioned officer in the Army of the United States is being accomplished prior to completion of required background investigation.

I further understand that my permanent appointment in the United States Army Reserve, when tendered, may be in a lower grade than the temporary grade appointed in the Army of the United States and will not change my active duty grade.

I further understand that if as a result of completion of the post-commissioning investigative processes I am determined unacceptable for appointment as a commissioned officer in the United States Army Reserve, I will be relieved from active duty and my appointment in the Army of the United States will be terminated.

(Signature)

(Name typed)

Figure 3-2.

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AR 601-54

SUBJECT: Appointment as Temporary Officer in the Army of the
United States Under Title 10, USC 3444

THRU:

TO:

A:

1. The Secretary of the Army has directed that you be informed that by direction of the President, you are appointed a temporary officer in the Army of the United States, effective concurrent with entry on active duty, in the grade and with the service and social security account number shown in address above.
2. This appointment will remain in effect during the period of your continuation on active duty thereunder, and will terminate immediately upon your relief of obligated service.
3. Upon acceptance of this appointment you are assigned to the branch shown after A above.
4. Execute the inclosed form for oath of office on the date you enter on active duty, or as soon as possible thereafter, and return promptly to this headquarters, ATTN: The execution and return of the required oath of office constitutes acceptance of your appointment. No other evidence of acceptance is required.
5. Failure to comply with active duty orders will result in cancellation of this appointment.

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CHAPTER 4

MEDICAL SPECIALIST REGISTRANTS ORDERED FOR INDUCTION,
RCS MED-192(R1)

4-1. Purpose and scope. This report provides essential information to enable the Department of Army to carry out its assigned mission as Executive Agent for the Department of Defense for the administration of medical specialists draft calls.

4-2. Preparing agencies. *a.* Report will be prepared by the Commanding Generals, CONUS armies, USARHAW, USARAL, and USARSO.

b. Negative reports will be submitted even though no medical specialist registrants have been ordered for induction within the jurisdiction of the preparing agency.

4-3. Form. The report will be prepared and submitted on DA Form 2691-R, Medical Specialist Registrants Ordered for Induction (RCS MED-192 (R1)). DA Form 2691-R (image size 7 by 9 $\frac{1}{8}$ inches will be reproduced locally on 8- by 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch paper (fig. 4-1)). The title, form number, and date will appear on each copy of the reproduced form. Letter of transmittal is not required.

4-4. Frequency. *a.* This report will be prepared whenever a Selective Service System special call for physicians, dentists, veterinarians, male nurses, optometrists and/or other allied medical specialists has been issued.

b. Preparing agencies will submit an initial report as of the close of business of the first Thursday following receipt of instructions from the Executive Agent implementing the special call. The final report will be submitted pursuant to instructions from The Surgeon General.

c. The report will be prepared each week as of the close of business Thursday and dispatched to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R, Department of the Army, Washington, DC 20314, not later than 1200 hours the following day.

4-5. Preparation instructions. *a.* A separate report will be submitted for each discipline or specialty being reported.

b. Identify the special call number and the medical discipline reported upon (i.e., "doctors of medicine," "doctors of osteopathy"), as appropriate.

c. Line 1 will reflect the cumulative number of copies of orders for induction received from the Selective Service System. A copy of each order for induction received during the reporting period will be appended to the report.

d. Line 2 will reflect the cumulative number of cancellations or orders for induction received from the Selective Service System before the registrant was allocated to a service. A copy of each such cancellation received during the reporting period will be appended to the report. The reason for cancellation must be shown on the document.

e. Line 3 will reflect the cumulative number of registrants available for allocation.

f. Line 4 will reflect the cumulative number of cancellations received from Selective Service after allocation, but before commissioning. Copies of Selective Service cancellations received from participating services will be counted. However, cancellations received after execution of oath of office are not valid and will be returned to the appropriate local board or State headquarters with appropriate explanation. Statements from registrants that they have accepted an appointment in another service or the U.S. Public Health Service are not valid. A copy of each such cancellation received during the reporting period will be appended to the report. Confirmation of cancellation will be sent to the service of allocation concurrently with the forwarding of weekly report.

g. Line 5 will reflect the total number of registrants actually chargeable against the special call. It will be equal to line 3 minus line 4.

h. Line 6 will reflect the total number of registrants not yet allocated as of the reporting date.

i. Lines 7, 17, and 20 will reflect the cumulative registrants allocated to the participating services. A copy of the allocation letter prepared during the reporting period will be appended to the report.

j. Lines 8, 18, and 21 will reflect the cumulative cancellations received after the registrants were allocated to the participating service.

k. Lines 9, 19, and 22 will reflect the total number of registrants chargeable to the special call.

l. Line 10 will reflect the cumulative number of registrants commissioned under other programs for whom a cancellation has not been received, registrants not commissioned for cause and for whom a cancellation has not been received, and registrants discharged from their commission before call to active duty. An explanation will be made under remarks identifying the registrant and circumstances in the case. Copies of correspondence will be attached as appropriate. Additions and deletions will be explained.

m. Line 11 will reflect the number of registrants available for commissioning whose call to active duty will be in fulfillment of the special call.

n. Line 12 will reflect the cumulative number of registrants for whom an oath of office has been received. A copy of the letter of appointment indicating the date the oath of office was executed will be appended for all oaths of office accomplished during the reporting period.

o. Line 13 will reflect the cumulative number of registrants who have been nominated to The Sur-

geon General for assignment. This will equal line 11 minus line 15.

p. Line 14 will reflect the cumulative number of assignment instructions for registrants not canceled which have been received from The Surgeon General. Two copies of DA Form 2694 for each registrant nominated during the reporting period will be appended.

q. Line 15 will reflect the cumulative number of registrants not yet nominated and not canceled.

r. Line 16 will reflect the current number of alien physicians for whom a background investigation has not yet been completed.

s. The space for remarks will be utilized for any comments required by l above or to convey any information desired by the reporting commander. Individuals will be identified by name, selective service number, and service of allocation. Reports to Selective Service of delinquent registrants will be noted herein, as well as extensions of time granted, delay requests and actions, and other pertinent comments. Copies of any correspondence or summary appropriate in remarks section will be appended to the report.

MEDICAL SPECIALIST REGISTRANTS ORDERED FOR INDUCTION <small>For use of this form, see AR 601-54; the proponent agency is the Office of The Surgeon General.</small>		REPORTS CONTROL SYMBOL MED-192(R1)
TO: The Surgeon General ATTN: MEDPT-R Department of the Army Washington, D. C. 20315	FROM:	PERIOD ENDING DATE
SPECIAL CALL # _____ FOR _____		
DISTRIBUTION FROM SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM		
1. ORDERS FOR INDUCTION RECEIVED (2, 6, 7, 17, & 20)		
2. CUMULATIVE CANCELLATIONS RECEIVED BEFORE ALLOCATIONS		
3. AVAILABLE FOR ALLOCATION (1 minus 2)		
4. CUMULATIVE CANCELLATIONS AFTER ALLOCATION (8, 18, & 21)		
5. TOTAL MEDICAL SPECIALISTS CHARGEABLE TO THIS SPECIAL CALL (6, 9, 19 & 22) (3 minus 4)		
6. MEDICAL SPECIALIST REGISTRANTS NOT YET ALLOCATED (5 minus 9, 19 & 22)		
DISTRIBUTION TO DEPARTMENT OF ARMY		
7. CUMULATIVE ALLOCATED TO ARMY		
8. CUMULATIVE CANCELLED AFTER ALLOCATION TO ARMY		
9. CHARGEABLE TO THIS SPECIAL CALL - ARMY (7 minus 8)		
10. OTHER DISPOSITIONS (EXPLAIN UNDER REMARKS)		
11. REGISTRANTS AVAILABLE FOR COMMISSIONING - ARMY		
12. REGISTRANTS COMMISSIONED - ARMY		
13. NUMBER REGISTRANTS NOMINATED FOR ASSIGNMENT TO TSG (11 minus 15)		
14. CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF ASSIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS FOR REGISTRANTS NOT CANCELLED WHICH HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM TSG		
15. NUMBER OF AVAILABLE REGISTRANTS NOT YET NOMINATED (11 minus 13)		
16. NUMBER OF BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS PENDING ON NONCITIZEN REGISTRANTS		
DISTRIBUTION TO DEPARTMENT OF NAVY		
17. CUMULATIVE ALLOCATED TO NAVY		
18. CUMULATIVE CANCELLED AFTER ALLOCATION TO NAVY		
19. CHARGEABLE TO THIS SPECIAL CALL - NAVY (17 minus 18)		
DISTRIBUTION TO DEPARTMENT OF AIR FORCE		
20. CUMULATIVE ALLOCATED TO AIR FORCE		
21. CUMULATIVE CANCELLED AFTER ALLOCATION TO AIR FORCE		
22. CHARGEABLE TO THIS SPECIAL CALL - AIR FORCE (20 minus 21)		
REMARKS		
TYPED NAME, GRADE AND TITLE		SIGNATURE

APPENDIX

PREPARATION OF REQUEST CARDS FOR PROCESSING AND COMMISSIONING OF MEDICAL SERVICE PERSONNEL

A-1. General. *a.* Request to obtain a name check of the FBI Headquarters and Subversive Files will be prepared by the numbered CONUS army headquarters, U.S. Army, Hawaii, U.S. Army, Alaska, and U.S. Army Forces Southern Command, and transmitted to the Defense Central Index of Investigations (DCII) by data transceiver or AUTODIN.

b. The format specified herein will be used for making requests under this program. General purpose card stock will be used.

c. All transmissions to and from DCII will be preceded by a message card formatted as indicated in paragraph A-3.

d. DCII will forward the request cards to the FBI and, upon receiving replies from the FBI, will transmit "No Record" (NR) replies or notice that "Summary Follows" (SF) to the appropriate CONUS army headquarters. Any summary received will be sent by Air Mail from DCII.

A-2. Request card preparation. One card will be prepared for each name being submitted. Separate cards will be punched for any nee names or aliases. Cards will not be prepared for nicknames.

a. Name (cols 1-27). Will be used for the name being submitted, in the sequence of last name, space, first name, space, and middle name or initial. Punctuation will not be used.

b. Sex (col. 28). Indicate the sex of the person using "M" for male and "F" for female.

c. Name identified (NI) (col 29). Indicate whether name is subject or alias. Include nee name as an alias. Use "S" for subject and "A" for alias.

d. Date of birth (cols 30-35). Will be expressed in six numeric characters in *month, day, year* order using the last two digits of the year. When the month or day is less than ten, precede with a numeric zero.

e. Reply (cols 71-79). Reserved for use by DCII to make replies after results have been received from the FBI.

<i>Code</i>	<i>Interpretation</i>
NR S.....	No record—Subversive File.
NR C.....	No record—Criminal File.
SF S.....	Summary follows Subversive File.
SF C.....	Summary follows --Criminal File.

A-3. Message card preparation. *a.* One message card will precede each group of cards transmitted and will be formatted as follows:

<i>Columns</i>	<i>Entry</i>
1-4	The identity of the sender.
5	Blank.
6-9	The identity of the receiver.
10	Blank.
11-41	The following text: ACCEL PROC AND COMM MED SVC PERS.

b. Examples:

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By Order of the Secretary of the Army:

Official:

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The Adjutant General.*

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CHAPTER 3

COMMISSIONING PROCEDURES FOR REGISTRANTS ALLOCATED TO THE ARMY

3-1. General. This chapter prescribes the procedures for appointment and active duty of medical specialist registrants allocated to the Army, volunteers for active duty in the Medical Corps or Dental Corps, and the following programs:

a. Armed Forces Physicians' Appointment and Residency Consideration Program (Berry Plan); Armed Forces Osteopathic Residency Deferment Program (ORD); Armed Forces Dental Officer Allocation and Commissioning Program (DOCP); and Armed Forces Veterinary Officer Postgraduate Training Program (VOPTP). See AR 135-50.

b. Reappointment in the Medical Corps, Dental Corps or Veterinary Corps of participants in the Medical Department Early Commissioning Program and to individuals initially appointed as Reserve commissioned officers upon completion of the advanced course, ROTC, and delayed under AR 601-25 and AR 601-26 from entry on active duty, and to those selected for participation under AR 135-14.

3-2. Restrictions on appointment. *a.* Applications from medical registrants who are not participants in the Armed Forces Reserve Physicians' Appointment and Residency Consideration Program, or the Armed Forces Osteopathic Residency Deferment Program, or who participated in these programs and were not allocated to the Army, will not be accepted prior to 1 March of the year following the registrant's graduation from medical or osteopathic school.

b. Applications from dental registrants who are not participants in the Armed Forces Reserve Dental Officer Allocation Commissioning Program or who participated in the program and were not allocated to the Army, will not be accepted within the 4-month period following the registrant's graduation from dental school.

c. Medical and dental registrants who apply for appointment and participation in the Regular Army procurement programs as described in AR 601-130 and AR 601-131 will be governed by the

procedures prescribed in those regulations and, in addition, will be concurrently processed for appointment in the Army Reserve under this regulation so that timely entry on active duty of selected applicants may be made.

3-3. Time limitation. The objective for registrants whose application and active duty forms indicate that they are U.S. citizens, graduates of approved schools of medicine, osteopathy, or dentistry and are otherwise qualified in accordance with AR 135-101 is tender of a Reserve commission within 10 days of allocation action.

3-4. Instructions to Army allocatees. *a.* Registrants will be given 10 working days after notification that they have been allocated to the Army to complete and return the necessary forms for processing for active duty, including the Statement of Understanding described in figure 3-1. In the case of U.S. citizens who are doctors of medicine, dentistry, or osteopathy, instructions will be accompanied by letter of appointment as a Reserve commissioned officer and oath of office (para 3-11). Registrant will be advised that he should not accept appointment if he -

(1) Has an appeal pending with respect to his order for induction.

(2) Has accepted appointment in another service, or

(3) Is on active duty with the U.S. Public Health Service.

Registrants will be advised that requests for deferment or exemption should be directed to their local Selective Service Boards rather than to the area commander.

b. Individuals who fail to respond within 10 calendar days after the due date above will be sent a letter by registered mail advising them that failure to respond within 5 working days will result in their being reported to their local boards as having failed to respond to correspondence involving commissioning action. A copy of this letter will be sent to the individual's local board and

to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R. In those instances where the registrant fails to respond, the registrant's local board will be advised within 10 working days that the registrant has failed to reply to correspondence and has failed to apply for a commission. A copy of this letter will be sent to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R. Statements of registrants claiming an appeal of their order for induction will be verified with the appropriate State Director of Selective Service. A reasonable time will be granted the individual for his appeal to be acted upon and The Surgeon General will be advised. Under no circumstances will the individual be advised that he will be drafted as an enlisted man if he fails to apply for or accept his commission. This is the responsibility of the individual's local Selective Service Board. Every effort will be made, within reason, to insure that questions of deferment or exemption are resolved by the Selective Service System.

3-5. Determination of acceptability. Area commanders will, subsequent to receipt of SSS Form 252 (Selective Service System Order to Report for Induction) from the Selective Service System, determine the acceptability of the registrant for appointment in the Medical Corps or Dental Corps. Files of veterinarians, optometrists, male nurses, and other allied medical specialists to include assignment questionnaires (para 3-6) and Statement of Understanding (para 3-4) will be forwarded to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R for determination of acceptability and continuing action. Appointment of registrants in the Veterinary Corps, Medical Service Corps, or Army Nurse Corps will be tendered by the Department of the Army. The applicable provisions of paragraph 1-5, AR 135-100; AR 135-101, AR 601-139 and AR 604-10 apply. In those cases where the area commander determines that the registrant is not acceptable for appointment as a commissioned officer, he will furnish DD Form 62 (Statement of Acceptability) to the appropriate State Director of Selective Service. Questionable cases will be forwarded to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R, Department of the Army, Washington, DC 20314, for final determination.

3-6. Army Medical Department Officer Initial Assignment Questionnaire (DA Form 2694).

Each Army addressee will forward four copies of DA Form 2694 to the registrant concurrently with notification of allocation. The registrant will be notified of the purpose and importance of this form and will be instructed to return three copies to the forwarding headquarters with the other forms. He will be advised of on-the-job training opportunities then current and that he should indicate his interest if he desires to be considered for such training. The registrant will be advised to record on the reverse side of DA Form 2694 any pertinent information relating to his utilization in the service, including personal problems, specialized training or experience. When the three copies are forwarded to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R, Department of the Army, Washington, DC 20314, this form will be marked on the bottom "TE(*call number*)MD" for all doctors of medicine and "TE(*call number*)DO" for doctors of osteopathy. The appropriate abbreviation will be used for other medical disciplines.

3-7. Nominations for active duty (MC and DC only). Action addressees will submit weekly nominations for active duty to The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPT-R, each Friday. They will accompany the report cited in chapter 4. The weekly nominations submission will include all special call registrants tendered an appointment during that particular week. Nominations will not be delayed until receipt of the executed oath of office. Nominations will be in the form of a separate consolidated roster, in duplicate, of name, grade, social security number only, with three copies of DA Form 2694 attached thereto for each nominee. No other information is necessary.

3-8. Postponement of induction. Area commanders will establish liaison with the State Director of Selective Service of the registrant's State of registration to insure postponement of induction for a registrant who has not yet been commissioned, but whose application for a commission is being actively processed. Cases of noncitizens will be clearly identified as requiring more than 30 days to accomplish prescribed security investigative requirements.

3-9. Exemption and delay from active duty. See AR 601-25.

3-10. Separation prior to entry on active duty. Request for discharge will be processed as outlined

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