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MEMORANDUM FOR The Adjutants General of All States, Territories, and Commanding General of the District of Columbia

SUBJECT: The Army National Guard (ARNG) Selected Reserve Incentive Program (SRIP) Policy (ARNG-HRZ Policy #25-01)

- 1. This policy references are in Enclosure 1.
- 2. PURPOSE. The ARNG SRIP 25-01 Policy is effective 1 October 2024. This policy will expire when rescinded or superseded. The yearly SRIP policy assists leadership in achieving end strength objectives. It provides recruiting and retention incentives to assist in filling critical shortages in situations where other less costly methods have proven inadequate in supporting unit and skill staffing requirements.
- 3. POLICY. This policy prescribes standards for administering the ARNG SRIP for Fiscal Year (FY) 25 and forward. This policy supersedes all previous SRIP policies. guidance, instruction, and Education Incentive Operational Messages (EIOMs), unless otherwise stated. For eligibility requirements and policies on ARNG education benefits, including the Montgomery GI Bill - Selected Reserve Kicker, refer to the ARNG Voluntary Education (VOLED) Policy. On the effective date this policy rescinds the National Guard Regulation (NGR) 600-7.
- 4. RESPONSIBILITY, See Enclosure 2.
- 5. PROCEDURES. See Enclosure 3.
- 6. RELEASABILITY. Unlimited. This policy is approved for public release and is available in the GKN Portal here: ARNG G1 Operations Division - Documents - All Documents (sharepoint-mil.us).

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# **SUMMARY OF CHANGES**

- Removed NGR 600-7 (FY 24 Reference 20)
- Updated HRM-I responsibilities (Enclosure 2, 1b)
- Added State 2nd Reviewer responsibilities (Enclosure 2, 1d(2))
- Updated State Incentive Manager responsibilities (Enclosure 2, 1d(3))
- Updated Reserve Component Career Counselor responsibilities (Enclosure 2, 1d(9))
- Added Authorized number of participants (Enclosure 2, 2)
- Added Retroactive Provisions (Enclosure 2, 3)
- Updated Applicability for Dual Status Military Technicians IAW AR 601-210 (Enclosure 3, 2a)
- Updated Applicability for eligible units, allowing incentives for all MTOE and TDA units (Enclosure 3, 2c)
- Added Security Clearance requirements (Enclosure 3, 2h)
- Updated recommended system access for IPPS-A, DTMS, and iPerms (Enclosure 3, 3a)
- Added approval authority for all GIMS access requests (Enclosure 3, 3b)
- Removed exception for ADOS personnel to not attend Basic IM Course (FY 24 Enclosure 3, 3b (2)(d))
- Added Reserve Component Career Counselor requirements for GIMS access (Enclosure 3, 3b(2))
- Added Auditor/View-only requirements for GIMS access (Enclosure 3, 3b(6))
- Updated GIMS annual revalidation requirements (Enclosure 3, 3e)
- Added System Overrides (Enclosure 3, 4)
- Added Forfeiture of Payment (Enclosure 3, 5)
- Added Lost/Corrected Copy Addendum (Enclosure 3, 6)
- Updated Enclosure 4: Incentives to capture maximum amounts offered with specific incentives offered and eligibility requirements moved to Enclosure 16 (Enclosure 4, 1)
- Updated Agreements/Addendums to include additional bonus types (Enclosure 4, 2)
- Updated Agreements/Addendums to allow States 30 days to upload required documents (Enclosure 4, 2)
- Updated Funds and Taxes to include information on Combat Zone Tax Exclusion, LRP taxes, and CARES Act (Enclosure 4, 3)
- Removed MGIB-SR Kicker from Funds and Taxes (FY24 Enclosure 4, 14b)
- Updated Position Vacancies to clarify authorized overstrength and added ARNG Medical Management Activity (MMA) Soldiers (Enclosure 4, 4)
- Changed Enclosure 5: Critical & Low Density MOS List to capture Suspension of incentives, Critical & Low Density MOS List moved to Enclosure 17

- Updated suspension of incentives to include periods of non-availability (Enclosure 5b)
- Updated suspension of incentives due to SFPA for any reason (Enclosure 5c)
- Changed Enclosure 6: MOSCB Application Process to capture Reinstatement of Incentives
- Removed Enclosure 6: MOSCB Application Process
- Added all reinstatement reasons for incentives (Enclosure 6b)
- Changed Enclosure 7: Student Loan Repayment Processing to capture Continued Receipt of Incentives
- Removed Enclosure 7: Student Loan Repayment Processing
- Updated MOS change for continued receipt (Enclosure 7, 1b)
- Updated UIC change for continued receipt (Enclosure 7, 1c, 1d)
- Updated guidance for authorized overstrength under continued receipt (Enclosure 7, 1g)
- Updated AGR for continued receipt (Enclosure 7, 1i, 1j)
- Added non-availability continued receipt guidance (Enclosure 7, 1o)
- Removed continued receipt for E8 79T Section Chiefs (FY 24 Enclosure 4, 16d)
- Added continued receipt guidance for MMA Soldiers (Enclosure 7, 1q)
- Added and updated continued receipt guidance for Instructor SQI 8 and Drill Sergeant SQI X (Enclosure 7, 1r)
- Added continued receipt guidance for transfer from USAR to ARNG (Enclosure 7, 1s)
- Moved Terminations of Incentives to Enclosure 8
- Changed Enclosure 8: Manual Control Number Process to capture Termination of Incentives
- Defined 'earned incentives' IAW AR 601-210,10-9b(1) (Enclosure 8, 1)
- Added Termination with recoupment effective contract start date (Enclosure 8, 1a)
- Updated APFT/ACFT failures termination date (Enclosure 8, 1b(4))
- Added guidance for HT/WT termination with recoupment (Enclosure 8, 1b(5))
- Updated termination guidance for Dual Status Military Technician (Enclosure 8, 1b(9))
- Updated termination guidance for Instructor SQI 8 and Drill Sergeant SQI X (Enclosure 8, 1b(10), 1b(11))
- Added guidance on SFPA not closed favorably (Enclosure 8, 1b(13))
- Added guidance on active SFPA at time of separation (Enclosure 8, 1b(15))
- Updates guidance on changing MOS due to promotion (Enclosure 8, 1b(17))
- Added termination guidance when accepting an AGR position in RRB as a production recruiter (Enclosure 8, 1c(13))
- Added five phases to terminations (Enclosure 8, 2g)
- Added Disposition of Incentives for medical separations (Enclosure 8, 3)

- Removed termination defined (FY 24 Enclosure 4, 19f)
- Moved Disposition of Incentives for a deceased member to Enclosure 13
- Moved DD Form 368 information to Enclosure 14
- Changed Enclosure 9: Guidance for Manual Bonus Payments to Out of Service processes
- Created Out of service enclosure including how to process incentive debt and claims packets (Enclosure 9)
- Changed Enclosure 10: Guidance for Manual SLRP Payments to Case Management System (CMS) including updated guidance from NGR 600-7 (rescinded)
- Changed Enclosure 11: Guidance for Closed Year SLRP to Manual Process
- Updated Manual Process to include establishments, payments, and tracking (Enclosure 11)
- Changed Enclosure 12: Guidance for SLRP Contracts for Out of Service Soldier to Closed Year Payments
- Added DoDFMR definition for closed/cancelled accounts (Enclosure 12, 1)
- Added the definition for open and closed year (Enclosure 12, 2)
- Added full process to submit ABCMR and Closed Year request (Enclosure 12)
- Changed Enclosure 13: Guidance on Voucher Process to Disposition of Incentives for deceased members
- Removed Enclosure 13: Guidance on Voucher Process- no longer an authorized process
- Removed Bonus Eligibility checklist (FY 24 Enclosure 14, 1)
- Removed SLRP Eligibility checklist (FY 24 Enclosure 14, 2)
- Removed MOS conversion checklist (FY 24 Enclosure 14, 3)
- Removed Closed Year checklist (FY 24 Enclosure 14, 4)
- Removed Voucher process checklist (FY 24 Enclosure 14, 5)
- Removed EAB Manual Incentive Request Form (FY 24 Enclosure 14. 6)
- Removed Sample Memo Notification of Incentive Termination (FY 24 Enclosure 14, 7)
- Removed REB Manual Incentive Request Form (FY 24 Enclosure 14, 11)
- Removed ORB Manual Incentive Request Form (FY 24 Enclosure 14, 12)
- Removed MOS conversion sample application memorandum (FY 24 Enclosure 14, 13)
- Added DD Form 2875 System Authorization Access Request (SAAR)
- (Enclosure 14. 1)
- Added Sample Memo Notification of Forfeiture of Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) Payment (Enclosure 14, 2)
- Added Sample Memo SLRP Payment Forfeiture Soldier's Memo (Enclosure 14, 3)

- Added DA Form 4856- Developmental Counseling Form (Termination Notification) (Enclosure 14, 4)
- Added ETP summary sheet (Enclosure 14, 6)
- Added Debt certification statement (Enclosure 14, 8)
- Added DD Form 827 Application for Arrears in Pay (Enclosure 14, 9)
- Added Sample Memo Incentive Claim Process memo (Enclosure 14, 10)
- Added Sample Memo Barring Act Memo (Enclosure 14, 12)
- Added Sample Memo Closed Year Soldier's Memo (Enclosure 14, 13)
- Added Sample Memo Closed Year G1/MILPO Memo (Enclosure 14, 14)
- Added Payment Spreadsheet for Closed Year Payment Request (Enclosure 14, 15)
- Added DD Form 368 Conditional Release (Enclosure 14, 16)
- Added Enclosure 15: SRIP Matrix to show authorized incentives, amounts, and combinations
- Created Enclosure 16: Incentive Eligibility and Authorized Amounts
- Updated Prior Service Enlistment Bonus (PSEB) payment schedule to annual installments (Enclosure 16, 3)
- Updated Reenlistment/Extension Bonus (REB) pay grades eligible (Enclosure 16, 5)
- Updated MOS Conversion bonus processing (Enclosure 16, 6)
- Updated combinations to none; no combination of incentives authorized (Enclosure 16)
- Add Enlisted Affiliation (EA) Student Loan Repayment Incentive (Enclosure 16, 11)
- Created Enclosure 17: Critical MOS List
- Added Critical MOS List (Enclosure 17, 2)
- Added Low Density MOS List (Enclosure 17, 3)

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- 1. National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2024, Title VI, Subtitle B (Bonuses and Incentive Pays)
- 2. United States Code (USC) Title 10,16301 Subtitle E, Part IV, Chapter 1609 (Education Loan Repayment Program)
- 3. USC Title 32, Chapter 3 (Personnel)
- 4. USC Title 37, Chapter 5, Subchapter I (Existing Special Pay, Incentive Pay, and Bonus Authorities)
- 5. USC Title 37, Chapter 5, Subchapter II (Consolidation of Special Pay, Incentive Pay, and Bonus Authorities)
- 6. Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation (DoDFMR) 7000.14-R, Volume 7A (Military Pay Policy-Active Duty and Reserve Pay)
- 7. DoDFMR 7000.14-R, Volume 7A, Chapter 2 (Repayment of Unearned Portion of Bonuses and Other Benefits)
- 8. DoD Instruction (DoDI) 1215.07 (Service Credit for Non-Regular Retirement)
- 9. DoD Instruction 1304.31 (Enlisted Bonus Program)
- 10. DoD Instruction 1304.34 (General Bonus Authority for Officers)
- 11. DoD Instruction 1304.36 (Education Loan Repayment Program)
- 12. Army Regulation (AR) 15-185 (Army Board for Corrections of Military Records)
- 13. AR 135-200 (Active Duty for Missions, Projects, and Training for Reserve Component Soldiers)
- 14. AR 600-8-2 (Suspension of Favorable Personnel Actions (Flags))
- 15. AR 600-8-104 (Army Military Human Resource Records Management)
- 16. AR 600-9 (The Army Body Composition Program)
- 17. AR 601-210 (Regular Army and Reserve Components Enlistment Program)

- 18. AR 621-202 (Army Educational Incentives and Entitlements)
- 19. Department of the Army Pamphlet (DA PAM) 600-3 (Officer Talent Management)
- 20. National Guard Regulation (NGR) 600-200 (Enlisted Personnel Management)
- 21. NGR 601-1 (Army National Guard Strength Maintenance Program)
- 22. ARNG Integrated Personnel and Pays System-Army (IPPS-A) Personnel Policy Guidance
- 23. National Guard Bureau, ARNG-HRH Policy Memorandum (PPOM 22-023, Execution of Personnel Actions for the Army Combat Fitness Test), 15 June 2022
- 24. National Guard Bureau, ARNG-HRH Policy Memorandum (PPOM 23-053, Announcement of Army National Guard Accessions Option Criteria), 11 December 2023
- 25. National Guard Bureau, ARNG-HRZ Policy Memorandum (FY25 Army National Guard (ARNG) Voluntary Education (VOLED) Policy #25-01)

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#### **ENCLOSURE 2: RESPONSIBILITY and MANAGEMENT CONTROLS**

- 1. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
  - a. The ARNG-G1 will -
    - (1) Develop detailed budget submissions.
    - (2) Develop and implement policy for the ARNG and recommend to Deputy Chief of Staff (DCS), G-1, changes in program policies and procedures.
    - (3) Coordinate fiscal operations of the ARNG incentives programs within appropriation limits.
    - (4) Develop and publish incentive eligibility annually.
    - (5) Conduct analysis of personnel data, as required.
    - (6) Prepare reports, as required.
    - (7) Provide input to DCS, G-3/5/7 concerning unit(s) priorities.
- (8) Exchange program related information with ARNG Comptroller and the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS).
- (9) Monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of the incentive program in achieving overall objectives.
- (10) Provide coordinated responses to inquiries from the 54 States, Territories, the District of Columbia, Congress, the White House, the Army Board for Correction of Military Records (ABCMR) and other governmental agencies concerning the incentive program.
  - (11) Participate in regular and recurring reviews of State incentive programs.
- b. The ARNG Human Resource Management- Incentive Oversight (HRM-I) will provide customer service to the 54 States, Territories and District of Columbia as it relates to the incentive regulatory and procedural guidance defined by the ARNG. Develop and track IM training requirements and conduct initial IM training and refresher training as needed. Conduct Staff Assistance Visits (SAV) and processes bonus and loan repayment incentive exception to policy requests. Assist with Congressional and Inspector General requests regarding incentives. Assist in the Guard Incentive Management System (GIMS) compliance testing to ARNG requirements and reviews for

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incentives to be in accordance with (IAW) law, DoDI, official regulations, and published polices and guidance.

- (1) Provide quality control by conducting sample reviews of incentive payments and terminations submitted by the 54 States, Territories, and the District of Columbia.
- (2) In the event that a trend is identified that is found to be in violation of law, DoDI, official regulations, and published polices and guidance, HRM-I will take the following tiered approach in its response:
- (a) 1st Offense- direct email to the Incentive Manager (IM) who submitted the action in GIMS.
- (b) 2nd Offense- direct email to the Incentive Manager who submitted the action in GIMS with the immediate supervisor in the CC line.
- (c) 3rd Offense- direct email to the Incentive Manager who submitted the action and their immediate supervisor advising that a Memorandum for Record will be sent to their State G1 for possible GIMS access suspension until retraining can occur.
  - c. The State Military Personnel Officer (MILPO), will:
- (1) Develop and implement incentive program to manage and sustain their State objectives and provisions outlined in this policy
- (2) Coordinate with units and the Recruiting and Retention Command on the proper implementation of incentive programs.
- (3) Coordinate with NGB, Soldiers, units, Recruiting and Retention personnel, the United States Property and Fiscal Office (USPFO), DFAS, Human Resources Offices (HRO), and any other agency that may be involved with incentive programs.
- (4) Per State Policy, review State reports or reports generated through the current ARNG incentive management system for verification of payment, suspension, or termination. Unit commanders may delegate certification authority to the State IM at the discretion of the State's MILPO.
- (5) Responsible for state incentives programs. Defines State internal roles and responsibilities are met based off state specific structure and resources. Ensures Standards of Operation are written in accordance with policy and regulation. Conducts a monthly review of payments and terminations on an as needed basis to ensure management controls are in place and followed.

- d. The following personnel are responsible for executing the incentives program IAW this policy:
- (1) State USPFO: Establish and certify incentive payments and terminations IAW incentive policy, regulation, and fiscal law. Will assist the State Incentive Office with incentive pay inquiries and Case Management System (CMS) requests as needed. Reviews bonus reject reports and coordinates with appropriate office for rectification.
- (2) State 2nd Reviewer (2R): State representative designated to conduct secondary eligibility reviews. Responsible for 100% review of all SRIP and LRP payments and terminations in the GIMS prior to submission. 2R are also responsible for contract action requests, manual control number request approval, override approval, verification failures, manual pay releases, and review of administration corrections.
- (3) State Incentive Manager(s): Representative(s) designated to provide state internal incentive oversight for authorization, verification, validation, establishment, monitoring, termination, and submission of all payments, to include recoupment of incentives and loan repayment. Responsible for 100% review of all SRIPs and LRP payments, suspensions, and terminations in GIMS prior to submission. State IM(s) will conduct the final check of a Soldiers documentation prior to the submission for establishment, payment, or termination. Functions as the subject matter expert and provides customer service through all forms of communication and routinely route to proper office as necessary. Conducts training on incentive policies and processes down to unit level users.
- (4) State Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) Manager: Representative designated for the management of the SLRP. Issues, verifies, validates, establishes, and monitors all SLRP incentives. Functions as the subject matter expert and provides customer service through all forms of communication and routinely route to proper office as necessary. Note: Duties can be combined with State IM or designated as a separate duty, based upon State need.
- (5) Recruit Sustainment Program (RSP)/Unit Level Representative: Responsible for verifying and uploading all documents pertaining to a Soldier's incentive into Interactive Personnel Electronic Records Management System (iPERMS). The following is a list of documents routinely processed: training completion documents (DD Form 214 (Report of Separation)/215 (Correction of DD Form 214)), certificates, qualification orders), transfer orders, enlistment documents (DD Form 4/1 and/or 2 and applicable annexes, DD Form 1966 (Record of Military Training Armed Forces of the U.S.)), drill attendance tracking, required education documents and medical information. Responsible for maintaining accurate and updated information for Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT)/ Army Combat Fitness Test (ACFT) and Height/Weight (HT/WT) data in Digital Training Management System (DTMS). RSP personnel are responsible

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for uploading DD 214 and completing the MOS personnel action request (PAR) within IPPS-A. Responsible for verifying and uploading all documents pertaining to bonus and Loan Repayment, and that GIMS reflects appropriate amounts and payment schedules.

- (6) Recruiter: Responsible for initial interview, verification of enlistment eligibility requirements and provides counseling on incentive programs as needed. Completes accession documents and projects the applicant to the respective Military Entrance Processing Station (MEPS).
- (7) Retention Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO)/Career Counselor/Readiness NCO: Delegated representative, who may provide career counseling, verifies retention or extension eligibility and issues incentive addendums through Retention Management Software (RMS) or the GIMS. Completes required documents, DA Form 4836 (Oath of Extension of Enlistment or Reenlistment), the appropriate incentive addendum, and/or DD Form 4 (Enlistment/Reenlistment Document Armed Forces of the United States) (for immediate reenlistments). Responsible for issuing ARNG incentives, providing counseling on incentive programs, ensuring each incentive agreement is valid and authorized before contractually obligating the ARNG, and uploading documents into the Soldiers iPERMS and complete all required IPPS-A transactions.
- (8) MEPS Guidance Counselor (GC): Functions as the resident expert on regulatory and published guidance as it relates to accessions and incentives for the ARNG. Personnel will provide eligibility validation during the enlistment or accession process to prevent erroneous contractual agreements and provide counseling on incentive programs. Responsible for issuing ARNG incentives, providing counseling on incentive programs, ensuring each incentive agreement is valid and authorized before contractually obligating the ARNG.
- (9) Reserve Component Career Counselor (RCCC): Provides transitional counseling guidance to Soldiers serving in a Regular Army (RA) status and who may elect to affiliate into the USAR or ARNG. The RCCC is responsible for issuing incentive addendums through GIMS, providing counseling on incentive programs, ensuring each incentive agreement is valid and authorized before contractually obligating the ARNG, and uploading DD Form 4 and bonus addendums into GIMS within 30 days of creation.
- (10) Officer Strength Manager (OSM): Functions as resident expert on regulatory and published guidance as it relates to ARNG officer programs. Responsible for tracking and counseling Soldiers in officer/warrant officer producing programs regarding incentive opportunities prior to commissioning or appointment. Verifies transitioning and affiliating officers /warrant officers with incentives are in- processed correctly. Responsible for issuing ARNG incentives, ensuring each incentive agreement is valid and authorized before contractually obligating the ARNG, and uploading DA Form 597 (Army Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) Nonscholarship Cadet Contract)

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and/or NGB Form 594-1 (Annex to DD Form 4 ARNG Simultaneous Membership Program Agreement) into the Soldiers iPERMS. OSMs are recommended to provide a report to the State Incentive Office on all cadets or candidates entering a commissioning program and report of all cadets or candidates commissioning from officer producing programs. These reports will ensure all officer candidates or cadets and newly commissioned officers are offered incentives if they are eligible.

### 2. Authorized number of participants

The number of participants who may receive an incentive at any one time will be contingent upon the level of funding available in any given FY. Headquarters, Department of the Army (HQDA) or DoD guidance provided.

## 3. Retroactive provision

This policy updates specific provisions in effect from earlier FY incentive programs. Soldiers who entered into agreements in an earlier incentive program will continue participating according to their contractual agreement and this policy when applicable. This policy does not change the entitlement conditions, eligibility criteria, or benefits of earlier incentive programs. Total incentive amounts and anniversary payment schedules specified in the original incentive agreement executed at the time of enlistment, accession, reenlistment, extension, affiliation, commission, or appointment will remain unchanged. An incentive agreement cannot exceed the limits set by the law or authorized limits of the Secretary of the Army (SA). Retroactive entitlement or reinstatement based on the revised or amended policy is not authorized, unless specifically directed by ARNG G1 HRM.

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#### **ENCLOSURE 3: PROCEDURES**

#### 1. GENERAL

- a. Incentives are a tool where other less costly methods have proven inadequate in supporting unit and skill staffing requirements. This policy, in conjunction with Army Regulation (AR) 601-210 and AR 621-202, prescribes eligibility criteria, procedures, and standards for administering ARNG incentives. This policy supersedes all previous SRIP polices, guidance, instructions, and EIOMs, unless otherwise stated.
- Reenlistments and extensions will be performed IAW NGR 600-200, Chapter 8, Extension, Immediate Reenlistment, and Bar to Continued Service, unless specified within the eligibility criteria of each Reenlistment/Extension Bonus (REB) incentive type. Incentives are subject to suspension at any time and any updates or changes to this policy will be published in an EIOM. Although the ARNG attempts to list all eligibility requirements within the SRIP policy, additional requirements are detailed in AR 601-210 and/or AR 621-202. Direct any discrepancies to ARNG-HRM-I for disposition or additional instructions. Units, Retention NCO(s), MEPS GC(s), and RCCC(s) are responsible for ensuring potential recipients meet all enlistment, reenlistment, and extension eligibility criteria in addition to incentive eligibility criteria prior to offering any incentive which would create a fiscal obligation to the ARNG. The only authorized forms of signature on enlistment/reenlistment documents and bonus addendums are the common access card (CAC) signature with the date populated in the CAC field or electronic signature pad, unless given authorization by HRM-I prior to the incentive contract being signed. Enlisted Affiliation Bonus (EAB) Addendums are authorized CAC or wet signature. An Exception to Policy (ETP) is required without prior authorization from HRM-I for any other form of signature. Any violations to this policy will be addressed IAW Enclosure 2, paragraph 1b(2). This policy, all active EIOMs, and previous policies are posted in the GKN Portal here: ARNG G1 Operations Division -Documents - All Documents (sharepoint-mil.us).

#### 2. APPLICABILITY

- a. The policy applies to individuals entering or currently serving in an active status within the ARNG Selected Reserve. This program, however, does not apply to Active Guard Reserve (AGR) (unless IAW Enclosure 7) (Exception 79T AGR) or Dual Status Military Technicians (DSMTs) per AR 601-210 (unless IAW AR 601-210, 10-16a(6)).
- b. All individuals assessing into the ARNG who may qualify for an incentive must be processed at and through MEPS systems applications, meet all eligibility requirements for each incentive. (Exceptions: Soldiers transitioning from Active Duty (AD) to the ARNG, and current ARNG Soldiers serving in an active status do not process through MEPS system applications. Individuals processing under the Marine-to-Guard program

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shall be processed similar to the AC to RC process, but through REQUEST application for vacancy reservation. Incentive addendums executed at MEPS will be signed and dated as the same date of the enlistment date.

- c. Service Members assessed and/or assigned to any unit within the ARNG remain fully eligible while assigned to both a Modified Table of Organization (MTOE) and a Table of Distribution and Allowance (TDA) unit regardless of units deployable status. All potential and current ARNG service members will be processed IAW the eligibility requirements addressed in Enclosure 16 (Incentive Eligibility and Authorized Amounts) for each specific incentive.
- d. An officer or enlisted member is not eligible for an incentive if the individual was previously discharged or released from any period of active duty or military service based on a determination of misconduct, substandard duty performance (includes failure of HT/WT and failure of APFT/ACFT, or moral or professional dereliction).
- e. ARNG Soldiers who were fully eligible for extension at the time of separation and within 365 days of the last ARNG discharge date are not authorized incentives.
- f. Individuals enlisting under the 09C Program managed by the ARNG Strength Maintenance Division (ARNG-HRR) may qualify for an incentive after completion of English as a Second Language training, achieving the required Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) score and meeting all other eligibility requirements specific to the incentive. Note: Off Peak Bonus not authorized.
- g. Soldiers categorized as 09M (retest) or on AD under enlistment Option 26 are not authorized incentives.
- h. Soldiers must meet security clearance requirements for the MOS or skill selected. Enlisted incentives are authorized upon MOS qualification, which may be prior to final security clearance approval by outside agencies. Soldiers must be counseled that non-approval or loss of a security clearance may result in reclassification or recoupment.

## 3. REQUIREMENTS

a. System Access: One of the management tools critical for administering the ARNG SRIP is the GIMS. Each GIMS user must request either privileged or non-privileged level access. Privileged users include all individuals that will action records within GIMS whereas non-privileged users will have view only access to records. All users of GIMS are required to complete a DD Form 2875 and initial Information Assurance (IA) awareness orientation training as a condition of access and thereafter must complete annual IA refresher awareness training. Users who are not appropriately certified within 12 months of assignment to a position, or who fail to

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maintain their certification status, shall be reduced to non-privileged level access. It is also recommended that State IM(s) obtain:

- (1) Defense Joint Military Pay System (DJMS) (read-only): Highly recommended to assist State IM(s) in expedited research, monitoring, and validation of all incentive establishments, pay, debts, terminations, and other inquiries.
- (2) WebDMO (read-only): Recommended to assist State IM(s) with identifying reject reasons for establishments, payments, and terminations.
- (3) CMS: Recommended to request corrections to Soldier pay records. These corrections include but are not limited to bonus master record MMPA corrections, payments made using an inactive MMPA, establish debts, request Combat Zone Tax Exclusion (CZTE) reimbursement or adjusted W-2's, transactions for Soldiers assigned to the ING, and other actions as necessary.
- (4) IPPS-A: Recommended to review and verify any data to include but not limited to transfers, assignments, active and closed Suspension of Favorable Personnel Actions (SFPA), and personnel data.
  - (5) DTMS: Recommended to review and verify any ACFT and/or HT/WT data.
- (6) iPERMS: Recommended to review and verify all documents that are applicable to incentives and incentives eligibility.
- b. Training Requirements: The training courses below meet the requirements for access to GIMS. While the Comptrollers Accreditation and Fiscal Law (FL) course is highly recommended, the FL certificates that are Judge Advocate General (JAG), Comptroller, or USPFO led will be accepted for meeting the revalidation requirement. The Comptrollers Accreditation and FL course certificate is only valid for three years. If it has been three years since the user last completed the FL course, a new one must be awarded. Failure to have a valid certificate will result in the user being reduced to lower-level access. (Validation required every year)
- (1) Unit level roles (includes Readiness NCOs, Commanders, Battalion/Brigade Career Counselors, State Enlisted Career Counselors, Officer Strength Managers, and other like-type representatives):
- (a) DD Form 2875, System Authorization Access Request (SAAR), completed, signed, and approved within 365 days. (see Enclosure 14 for example)
  - (b) Approval Authority: Incentives Manager/ Education Services Officer (ESO)

- (2) Reserve Component Career Counselor Role:
- (a) DD Form 2875, System Authorization Access Request (SAAR), completed, signed, and approved within 365 days. (see Enclosure 14 for example)
  - (b) Approval Authority: NGB Admin
  - (3) Incentive Manager Role (regardless of status):
- (a) DD Form 2875, System Authorization Access Request (SAAR), completed, signed, and approved within 365 days. (see Enclosure 14 for example)
  - (b) Fiscal Law (part I and part II) certificate dated within three years
  - (c) The Basic Incentive Manager Course Certificate
  - (d) Approval Authority: NGB Admin
  - (4) State 2nd Reviewer Role:
- (a) DD Form 2875, System Authorization Access Request (SAAR), completed, signed, and approved within 365 days. (see Enclosure 14 for example)
  - (b) Fiscal Law (part I and part II) certificate dated within three years
  - (c) Approval Authority: NGB Admin
  - (5) USPFO Role:
- (a) DD Form 2875, System Authorization Access Request (SAAR), completed, signed, and approved within 365 days. (see Enclosure 14 for example)
- (b) Fiscal Law (part I and part II) or Comptrollers Accreditation and Fiscal Law certificate dated within three years.
  - (c) DD Form 577, Appointment/ Termination Record- Authorized Signature
  - (d) Approval Authority: NGB Admin
  - (6) Auditor/View-Only:
- (a) DD Form 2875, System Authorization Access Request (SAAR), completed, signed, and approved within 365 days. (see Enclosure 14 for example)

- (b) Approval Authority: NGB Admin
- (7) Comptrollers Accreditation and FL course, Distributed Learning (DL). Length: 40 hours//Self-paced. Enrollment and training information: <u>Blackboard Learn (army.mil)</u>.
- (8) DD Form 2875 (System Authorization Access Request) must be signed by the security office and approved by the system owner. (Uploaded in GIMS under Access Request Form)
- (9) DD Form 577 (Appointment/Termination Record Authorized Signature): only required for USPFO roles
- (10) Basic Incentive Manager Course, Resident. Length: 40 hours/5 days. Enrollment and training information: <u>ATRRS Course Catalog (army.mil)</u>. Training is located at the Professional Education Center, Camp Robinson, North Little Rock, Arkansas.
- c. Individuals requesting IM level access must complete the above requirement 3.b.(3)(b) and upload the completed certificates to GIMS prior to gaining access. Additionally, the individual must complete requirement 3.b.(3)(c) within 12 months of the date of access approval or his/her access will be reduced lower-level access. If the user fails to attend training within the 12-month timeframe they will not be revalidated until the training is complete.
- d. ARNG recommends each State send one IM (Primary or Alternate) to the Advanced IM Course every 24 months at a minimum. Personnel must have completed the IM Resident Course and be in position at least twelve months before attending the Advanced IM course. For future auditing purposes, each State IM is responsible for maintaining copies of all training certificates for each person with IM access for their respective State. IMs will continue to monitor and coordinate with HRM-I for published training dates. HRM-I will not audit training requirements when dates are not available in the FY.
- e. Under Annual Revalidation, GIMS requires all users to upload an updated DD Form 2875 SAAR (uploaded under access request form). IM(s) should upload a copy of their Basic IM (resident) course completion certificate (if submitting an initial request) and all users requiring Fiscal Law will upload their certificates (1&2), users should ensure that the Fiscal Law certificates will not expire during the 365 days until the next revalidation. Users are required to log into GIMS every 30 days, or their account will be suspended.

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#### 4. SYSTEM OVERRIDES

All requests for system overrides must be made through the appropriate channels and require approval by the relevant authority within GIMS and/or RMS. The approval authority for override requests is determined by HRM-I and may be changed as per the system and/or mission requirements. In the event of recognized system outages, please follow the procedures specified in Enclosure 11 (Manual Process).

#### 5. FORFEITURE OF PAYMENT

- a. Incentives contracts paid through annual installments are subject to payment forfeiture. Once a payment has been forfeited there is no recourse to reinstate the forfeited payment. The following circumstances will apply:
- (1) An annual payment will be forfeited if the Solider has one to eight unexcused absences within the 12 months preceding date of entitlement, upon ninth unexcused absence, see Enclosure 8 (Termination of Incentives). If the Soldier makes up the unexcused absence before the date of entitlement, they should be entitled to maintain that annual payment. State IMs will be able to cancel the payment using GIMS. An Admin Correction Request (ACR) will be required to renumber installment numbers and minimize rejection by DFAS.
- (2) SLRP payments will be forfeited if a Soldier does not turn in all required documents for processing within 365 days of the authorized date of entitlement. Soldiers may request an ETP due to extenuating circumstances. This applies to Soldiers entering an initial obligation SLRP agreement (having met all initial eligibility to receive payments) and all current ARNG Soldiers with an active SLRP incentive that have not submitted all required documents within the timeline prescribed. State IM may use notification template (see Enclosure 14) for Soldiers with an active SLRP incentive prior to FY 25. Soldiers with an active SLRP incentive prior to FY 25 will be given 90 days from publication of FY 25 SRIP to submit all required documents. State IM will utilize an ACR to cancel the forfeited payment.

#### 6. LOST/CORRECTED COPY ADDENDUMS

- a. In the event that an addendum has been lost, the State IM can submit all supporting documentation to the Lost Addendums inbox NGB-HRMI-Lost-Addendums@army.mil. HRM-I will review and process this request and issue a new addendum with 'Lost Addendum' in red across the header and assign an issuance number.
- b. In the event that an addendum was issued as an obsolete version or the incorrect incentive type, the State IM can submit all supporting documentation to the Corrected

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Copy inbox <u>ngb-hrmi-corrected-addendumsarmy.mil@army.mil</u>. HRM-I will review and process this request and issue the appropriate addendum with 'Corrected Copy' in red across the header and assign an issuance number.

- c. In both above scenarios, HRM-I requires an ETP to be submitted and approved prior to the issuance of a Lost or Corrected Copy Addendum. The following documents and/or information is required:
  - (1) For all incentive types
  - (a) ARNG NGB Approved ETP
  - (b) ETP Summary Sheet
  - (c) Old/Incorrect Addendum (if available)
  - (2) Non-Prior Service Bonus, Prior Service Bonus, and Off Peak information
  - (a) Bonus MOS
  - (b) Paragraph/Line
  - (c) Bonus UIC
  - (d) Unit Name
  - (e) Unit Address
  - (f) Unit Phone Number
  - (g) Unit Vacancy Control Number (UVCON)
  - (h) Ship Date and Reception Station (RECSTA) Date (Off Peak only)
  - (3) Enlisted Affiliation Bonus information
  - (a) Unit Name
  - (b) Unit Address (complete)
  - (4) Re-Enlistment/Extension Bonus
  - (a) DA Form 4836

- (5) Student Loan Repayment Program
- (a) The number of loans
- (b) Total amount of loans
- d. Upon receipt of the lost or corrected copy addendum the Soldier has 30 days to CAC sign the new addendum.

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#### **ENCLOSURE 4: INCENTIVES**

1. The following table depicts the incentive types and maximum amounts offered. These amounts are based on funding availability and subject to change. Specific incentives offered and eligibility criteria can be found in Enclosures 15 through 17.

Incentive Type	Maximum Amount Offered
Non-Prior Service Enlistment Bonus (NPSEB)	\$20,000.00
Off Peak (OP)	\$7,500.00
Prior Service Enlistment Bonus (PSEB)	\$20,000.00
Enlisted Affiliation Bonus (EAB)	\$20,000.00
Reenlistment/Extension Bonus (REB)	\$20,000.00
MOS Conversion Bonus (MOSCB)	\$10,000.00
Officer/Warrant Officer Accession Bonus (OAB/WOAB)	\$20,000.00
Officer/Warrant Officer Affiliation Bonus (OAFB/WOAFB)	\$20,000.00
Officer/Warrant Officer Retention Bonus (ORB/WORB)	\$20,000.00
Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP)	\$50,000.00
Chaplain Loan Repayment Program (CLRP) (see note)	\$80,000.00
79T AGR Reenlistment/Extension Bonus	\$12,000.00

Note: CLRP is issued as a 3 year/\$20,000 contract. Eligible Chaplains can receive up to four separate contracts totaling the lifetime max of \$80,000.

#### 2. AGREEMENTS/ADDENDUMS

a. General: IAW Enclosure 1 (References), an applicant/Soldier must enter into an agreement outlining the terms and conditions for receiving an incentive. The agreement will explain the process of repayment for failing to complete the period of obligated service or other conditions of service for which the incentive/bonus is paid. An agreement must be executed on or prior to the obligated service period. It will be considered valid once all the following conditions are met: (1) it is produced from an authorized system with an assigned Bonus Control Number (BCN); and, (2) all required signatures and dates are applied. The authorized systems for generating addendums are MEPS system applications, GIMS, and RMS unless written approval is granted by HRM-I prior to issuance. The only authorized forms of signature on enlistment/reenlistment documents and bonus addendums are the CAC signature with the date populated in the CAC field or electronic signature pad, unless given authorization by HRM-I prior to the incentive contract being signed. EAB Addendums are authorized CAC or wet signature. An ETP is required without prior authorization from HRM-I for any other form of signature. Any violations to this policy will be addressed IAW Enclosure 2, paragraph 1b(2). Listed below are additional instructions for specific incentives.

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- (1) REB: States have 30 days upon creation of an incentive contract to upload the signed DA Form 4836 and signed bonus addendum into iPERMS (official repository) and the GIMS. Failure to appropriately upload these signed documents will result in contract invalidation.
- (2) SLRP: States have 30 days upon creation of an incentive contract to upload the signed DA Form 4836 or DD Form 4 and signed SLRP addendum into iPERMS (official repository) and the GIMS. Failure to appropriately upload these signed documents will result in contract invalidation.
- (3) EAB: The RCCC has 30 days upon creation of an incentive contract to upload the signed DD Form 4 and signed bonus addendum into iPERMS (official repository) and the GIMS. Failure to appropriately upload these signed documents will result in contract invalidation.
- (4) 79T AGR REB: States have 30 days upon creation of an incentive contract to upload AGR orders covering the duration of the incentive contract and signed bonus addendum into iPERMS (official repository) and the GIMS. Failure to appropriately upload these signed documents will result in contract invalidation.
- b. Contracts invalidated by GIMS may be returned to an active status if the contract was signed by the Soldier utilizing their CAC during the allotted timeframe but was not uploaded within 30 days of contract creation.
- (1) An email must be submitted to the ARNG Incentives Oversight Branch group mailbox (ngbarnghrm-i@army.mil), requesting the contract be returned to active status. This request must include the original signed contract and the reason for failing to meet the 30-day requirement.
- (2) If approved, HRM-I will execute an ACR to return the contract into an active status. The contract will then be moved to the QA/QC bin for the Incentive Manager to take appropriate action.
- c. Contracts invalidated by GIMS will not be returned to active status if the contract was not signed by the Soldier utilizing their CAC within 30 days of contract creation. The contract must be recreated through RMS or GIMS and signed within 30 days or risk invalidation of the contract.

### 3. FUNDS AND TAXES

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- a. Payment on contractual agreements are based on availability of funds; therefore, may be subject to suspension or termination without notice. All incentives are subject to state and federal tax codes.
- b. Combat Zone Tax Exclusion (CTZE). IAW Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation (DOD FMR), volume 7A, chapter 44, Table 44-4, Rule 5
- (1) A bonus entitlement (including installments) earned (reenlists, extends, signs agreement) in a month during which combat zone (CZ) or qualified hazardous duty area (QHDA) exclusion applies is not subject to state and federal taxes. See Enclosure 10 (Case Management System (CMS)) for processing details.
- (2) A bonus entitlement (including installments) earned (reenlists, extends, signs agreement) in a month during which CZ or QHDA exclusion does not apply is subject to state and federal taxes.
- c. Taxes will be withheld from all Loan Repayment Program (LRP) payments. The amount due after taxes will be paid directly to the financial institution. Soldiers will receive a separate IRS Form W-2 at the end of the year from DFAS indicating the total entitlement amount. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) act may apply (as determined by DFAS) to a Soldier that received a payment of less than \$5,250 in a specific year resulting in not receiving an LRP W-2 for that year.

#### 4. POSITION VACANCIES

- a. General: IAW AR 601-210, paragraph 10-3, incentives may only be authorized to units identified in Enclosure 3, para 2.c. Positions contained in a derivative (rear detachment) unit identification code are not considered a valid vacancy for incentive purposes (exception may be positions vacant prior to a deployment that does not go forward with unit during mobilization or cross-leveling when Soldier filling position returns to original assignment upon completion of mobilization).
- b. The Automated Unit Vacancy System (AUVS) is the system of record for determining valid open vacancies for incentives, except for incentives offered at the time of reenlistment/extension. Soldier's grade must be commensurate with position grade or in position no more than one grade above. No manually built vacancy or standard excess positions (coded 9993) is authorized an incentive. Manually built vacancies and standard excess positions (coded 9993) are not considered a valid vacancy. However, templates within IPPS-A as outlined ((1) and (2)) below are authorized incentives provided otherwise qualified. Additionally, during known system unavailability periods, a memorandum of unit strength by MOS skill level must be provided by authorized unit representatives in determining a valid vacancy.

- (1) **Overmanning Enhanced Readiness:** This templet will be placed in units to allow over strength in support of operations. The positions are used when NGB approves force structure higher than 100 percent, for specific units, such as preparation for mobilization.
- (2) Overmanning Excess Due to Force Structure Change (Excess due to MTOE Change in GIMS): This templet will be placed in units to replace SIDPERS excess code "9994" functionality and used for units that have been reduced in force structure and are given 12 months to be reallocated to a new position within the state.
- (3) **Position inactive and Temp Hold Positions:** Soldiers may retain incentives when placed in these positions for less than 90 days but may not be issued incentives.
- c. ARNG MMA Soldiers coded as 999M are ineligible to extend for incentives but may continue to receive current incentive payment(s) if otherwise qualified.

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#### **ENCLOSURE 5: SUSPENSION OF INCENTIVES**

- a. General: Soldiers with an incentive will be suspended from the program and not receive payment during the scenarios listed below. These suspension reasons apply to all incentive types unless otherwise stated. HRM-I is the authority for any discrepancies or disputes.
- b. Enters a period of non-availability in the Inactive National Guard (ING). Maximum periods of non-availability are: (Note: Only one suspension for non-availability may be granted during an incentive obligation period)
  - (1) One year for personal reasons
  - (2) Three years for missionary obligations
  - c. Receives an SFPA Flag for any reason.
- d. Becomes POSTA non-compliant due to type II offenses committed after being fully POSTA screened with approved waivers. (**REA only**)
- e. Candidate fails to begin their officer producing program within 1-year of the date of enlistment. (09S only)
- f. Candidate fails to acquire a bachelor's degree within 2-years of the date of enlistment. **(09S only)**

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#### **ENCLOSURE 6: REINSTATEMENT OF INCENTIVES**

- a. General: Reinstatement and resumption of subsequent incentive payment is not guaranteed. These reinstatement reasons apply to all incentive types unless otherwise stated. HRM-I is the authority for any discrepancies or disputes.
- b. To reinstate eligibility for incentives after a period of non-availability the following must happen:
- (1) Complete the period of authorized non-availability within the required time limit listed in Enclosure 5b.
- (2) Rejoin an existing vacancy in the Selected Reserve authorized the Soldier's grade within
- (a) The incentive-authorized unit or specialty in which the Soldier was originally assigned; or
- (b) An incentive-authorized unit or specialty offered (and become MOSQ within 24 months), upon return from authorized non-availability.
- (3) Extend their service obligation to meet or exceed the period of non-availability within 90 days after completing the period of non-availability, to serve out the full incentive contract period in the Selected Reserve.
- c. A Soldier who complies with all requirements listed in paragraphs above will be entitled to payments resumed on the adjusted anniversary date of satisfactory creditable Selected Reserve service.
- d. The 09S SLRP payment(s) may only resume once the reason for suspension is reversed and supporting documentation to support the reversal is uploaded into the GIMS.
- e. During a period of suspension due to POSTA non-compliance, when the offense is favorably waived. **(REA only)**
- f. During a period of SFPA, when the SFPA is favorably lifted. Payment date(s) of original entitlement date will not be updated to date of flag removal.

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#### **ENCLOSURE 7: CONTINUED RECEIPT OF INCENTIVES**

- 1. A Soldier may be eligible for continued receipt of incentives under the conditions listed below. These conditions apply to all incentive types unless otherwise stated. HRM-I is the authority for any discrepancies or disputes.
- a. An officer changing AOCs due to unit transition, inactivation, relocation, or reorganization, convenience of the government, or normal career progression (remaining in the same Career Management Field (CMF) can retain their incentive.
- b. An enlisted Soldier changing MOSs for any reason must continue to hold the contracted MOS and become DMOSQ within 24 months plus any deployment periods, of transfer into the new MOS (including MOS changes when accepting an AGR position and MOS changes after contract signature date but before contract start date). Soldiers remain eligible for payments during this 24-month period. (Not applicable to AGR 79T, MOSCB, officer or warrant officer candidates: 09S, 09R, 09W)
- c. Enlisted Soldiers that change UIC and/or paragraph and line for any reason to a bonus eligible UIC 12 August 2014 through 30 September 2024 may retain their incentive. This is not retroactive to contracts already processed by DFAS. (**Not applicable to AGR 79T**)
- d. Enlisted Soldiers that change UIC (regardless of unit type) and/or paragraph and line for any reason after 1 October 2024 may retain their incentive. (Not applicable to AGR 79T)
- e. Soldiers electing to remain in their deployed (cross-leveled) MOS will have 24 months from REFRAD date to become DMOSQ. Soldiers remain eligible for payments during this 24-month period. (Not applicable to MOSCB)
- f. Soldiers who accept a One Time Occasional Tour (OTOT), an Active-Duty Operational Support (ADOS) Tour, or Full time National Guard Duty for Operational Support (FTNGDOS) Tour.
- g. Soldiers who transfer into an authorized over-strength position IAW Enclosure 4 (Incentives), 4b. (Not applicable to AGR 79T)
- h. Eligible Soldiers contracted for an incentive through MEPS/RCCC but later gained in IPPS-A as standard excess and are assigned to a primary position commensurable with their contracted MOS within 90 days may retain their incentive.
- i. Soldiers with an incentive agreement who enter the AGR program (at any time after signature date) with an effective date 1 October 2018 through 30 September 2024

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must continue to drill in or hold an AGR position of the same MOS for which the incentive was contracted and remain eligible in all other categories.

- j. Soldiers with an incentive agreement who enter the AGR program (at any time after signature date) with an effective date after 1 October 2024 must continue to hold the contracted MOS. **Excludes:** Soldiers accepting an AGR position in Recruiting and Retention Battalions (RRB) with the purpose of becoming a production Recruiter.
- k. Chaplains with the CLRP incentive who enter the AGR program (at any time after signature date) with an effective date after 1 October 2024 must be assigned to an AGR Chaplain position or continue to drill as a Chaplain if assigned to an AGR position that does not possess the same AOC.
- I. Soldiers who extended their obligation and later enter an officer producing program prior to the new contract start date may continue to receive the new incentive until commissioned or appointed. (Not applicable to AGR 79T or MOSCB)
- m. Soldiers accepting a temporary MILTECH assignment for less than 180-days (cumulative starting from contract start date). (Not applicable to AGR 79T)
- n. Soldiers who volunteer to become 18-Series qualified. If unable to become 18 series qualified, they must return to a DMOSQ position to continue incentive eligibility. (Not applicable to AGR 79T)
- o. Soldiers returning to an active status from an authorized period of non-availability as defined in Enclosure 5b(1)(2), extending their incentive contract obligation for the period of non-availability within 90-days from the date of returning to active status and continuing to meet all other eligibility requirements of the incentive. (Not applicable to AGR 79T)
- p. Soldiers may be eligible to retain their incentive upon transferring into the United States Army Reserve (USAR) provided they continue to meet all eligibility requirements. USAR holds approval/disapproval authority of continued receipt of the incentive. (Not applicable to AGR 79T)
- q. Soldiers transferred to the ARNG MMA and coded in IPPS-A as 999M may retain the incentive and receive payments. (Not applicable to AGR 79T)
- r. Soldiers accepting a position at a Regional Training Institute (RTI) or RSP and became Instructor qualified (SQI=8) or Drill Sergeant qualified (SQI=X) within 24 months of assignment. (Not applicable to AGR 79T or MOSCB)

- s. Soldiers MOS is changed due to normal career progression per DA Pamphlet (PAM) 611-21. Soldier may be eligible to retain the incentive for which contracted if they are still considered DMOSQ, assigned as the primary position holder and not listed as excess (9993). (MOSCB only)
- t. Soldiers transferring from the USAR to the ARNG with an incentive (including Bonus and/or SLRP) may be eligible to retain their incentive pending HRM-I approval. Request must be submitted prior to transfer or accession to the ARNG via email to HRM-I ngbarnghrm-i@army.mil.

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#### **ENCLOSURE 8: TERMINATION OF INCENTIVES**

- 1. Entitlement to an incentive will be terminated when any of the following termination reasons apply. Service Members will not be eligible to receive any further incentive payments, except for service performed ('earned incentive' as described in AR 601-210, 10-9b(1)) before the termination date. These termination reasons apply to all incentive types unless otherwise stated. Any termination of eligibility does not affect the period of service I must serve either contractually or by statutory requirements. HRM-I is the authority for any discrepancies or disputes.
  - a. Termination with Recoupment Effective Contract Start Date:
- (1) Incentive contract signed before or after the execution date of enlistment, reenlistment or extension.
- (2) Enlisted while attending high school and does not become a secondary school graduate within the required time limit. (NPS only)
- (3) Fails to become DAOCQ/DMOSQ in the AOC/MOS for which contracted per the incentive addendum/agreement within 24 months. (NPS, PS, EAB only)
  - (4) Enlisted under the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP) as an 09R.
- (5) Enlisted under the Officer Candidate School option 09S. (All incentive types except 09S SLRP)
  - (6) Enlisted under the Warrant Officer Candidate School option 09W.
  - (7) Enlisted as a Glossary Non-Prior Service (GNPS). (NPS and Off Peak only)
  - (8) Enlisted within 365 days of last ARNG discharge date. (PS only)
  - (9) Has been a two-time non-select for promotion. (CLRP only)
  - (10) Extended in excess of 365 days from ETS date. (REB and CM SLRP only)
- (11) A Soldier medically qualified to transition from the AC to the ARNG, but upon arrival to their unit of assignment is no longer medically qualified and is boarded for medical discharge for reason(s) not based upon the service performed within the ARNG. (EAB only)
- (12) Accepts a permanent or indefinite (includes conditional status) military technician position where membership in the Selected Reserve is a condition of

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employment and does not serve at least one day on the incentive obligation period. (REB and MOSCB only)

- (13) Does not successfully complete IADT and receive any Army MOS. (Off Peak Only)
- (14) Does not successfully complete IADT and receive contracted MOS. (NPS only)
- (15) Does not have a RECSTA date between 1 October through 15 May within the same fiscal year as date of enlistment. (Off Peak Only)
  - b. Termination with Recoupment: (Note: SLRP are normally not recouped because time is served prior to receipt of the incentive. See Soldier's incentive addendum for specifics.)
- (1) Becomes an unsatisfactory participant (see AR 135-91). Accumulates nine or more unexcused absences within a 12-month period or fails to attend or is absent (unexcused) one day of annual training. Only four unexcused absences can be counted during a drill weekend regardless of length of that drill weekend. Termination Date: date of the first unexcused absence.
- (2) Exceeds the maximum authorized period of non-availability as defined in Enclosure 5b(1)(2) or fails to extend the contracted term of service to meet or exceed the period of non-availability within 90 days of return to active status. Termination Date: effective date assigned to the ING.
- (3) Separated/Discharged for any reason other than those listed under paragraph c (Termination without recoupment) and paragraph 3 (Disposition of Incentives for Medical Separations). Termination Date: effective date of separation/discharge.
- (4) Fails two consecutive Army Combat Fitness Tests of record. Termination Date: date of the initial failure.
- (5) Fails to pass body fat standards within 12 months of initial failure. Termination Date: date of the initial failure.
- (6) An officer/warrant officer who fails to serve in the contracted Primary AOC/MOS with the same authorized Duty AOC/MOS for the entire length of the incentive agreement (except for normal career progression, unit transition, inactivation, relocation, or reorganization, or the convenience of the government). Termination Date: effective date of the officer's branch transfer order.

- (7) Coded "9993 or standard excess" in the GIMS and violating the authorized overstrength/guidance. Note: Soldiers who enlist under 09S are exempt. Once commissioned, must be in a primary position or, if placed in excess, be within the authorized overstrength guidance IAW Enclosure 4, 4b. Termination Date: effective date of transfer into excess
- (8) Loses MOS/AOC qualification due to denial or removal of required security clearance. Termination Date: effective date for removal of the security clearance and being considered Non- DAOCQ/DMOSQ.
- (9) An Officer/Soldier leaving the DSMT (including permanent, indefinite, conditional or temporary technicians over 179 days) program to a Traditional/MDAY status that has a contract start date within 12 months of release from DSMT will have that incentive terminated if he or she to serve at least 12 months of the contractual obligation period (from the contract start date) prior to reentering the DSMT program. Termination Date: start date of permanent or indefinite position and day 180 (cumulative starting from contract start date) for temporary technicians.
- (10) Fails to become Instructor-qualified (SQI=8) within 24 months of assignment to an RTI and/or RSP cadre. Termination Date: effective date of the transfer order to the instructor position.
- (11) Fails to become Drill Sergeant-qualified (SQI=X) within 24 months of the date of assignment to an RSP Drill. Termination Date: effective date of the transfer order Drill Sergeant position.
- (12) Refuses assignment within the SELRES upon unit's transition. Termination Date: date of assignment refusal.
  - (13) SFPA is not favorably lifted. Termination Date: effective date of the SFPA.
- (14) Discharged with any active SFPA (regardless of SFPA or discharge reason). Termination Date: effective date of the SFPA.
- (15) Discharged with an active SFPA that was closed for the purpose of processing the Soldier for separation. Termination Date: effective date of the SFPA.
- (16) An Officer entering any AC or SELRES (other than the USAR) with a current officer ARNG incentive. Termination Date: date of separation/discharge.
- (17) Accepts a promotion in any MOS outside of the contracted MOS. Termination Date: effective date of the transfer/promotion. **(79T REA and MOSCB)**

- (18) Voluntarily transfers out of the Recruiting and Retention Command. Termination Date: effective date of the transfer. **(79T REA only)**
- (19) Fails to become 18 series DMOSQ and does not return to a DMOSQ position. Termination Date: date of release from the 18-series program.
- (20) Fails to become DMOSQ within 24 months (plus periods of deployment) of MOS change for any reason. Termination Date: effective date of the transfer to the new MOS.
- (21) Any change in designated military skill for any reason. Termination Date: date of transfer. (MOSCB only)
- (22) Any receipt of overpayment or erroneous receipt of payment when not eligible. Termination calculated by erroneous/overpayment amount.
  - c. Termination without Recoupment:
- (1) Acceptance of an immediate appointment as a commissioned officer or warrant officer in any component of the Army excluding the IRR or ING. Termination Date: effective date of separation/discharge.
- (2) Separation from the Selected Reserve or transfer from the designated bonus position because of death, injury, illness, or other impairment that is not the result of any misconduct by the Soldier. Termination Date: date of separation/discharge/transfer. See paragraph 3 (Disposition of Incentives for Medical Separations) for all medical separations.
- (3) Accepts a permanent or indefinite (includes conditional status) military technician position, or temporary military technician position of more than 179 days (cumulative starting from contract start date), serving one or more days on the incentive contract. Termination Date: start date of permanent or indefinite position and day 180 (cumulative starting from contract start date) for temporary technicians.
- (4) Discharged due to Hardship in accordance with applicable separation policy with IPPS-A code "HA" on the discharge order. Termination Date: date of discharge.
- (5) A candidate who fails to accept a commission within three years of enlistment. Termination Date: contract start date (09S only)
- (6) The Officer fails to complete BOLC within 2-years following successful completion of OCS or fails to become DAOCQ in any AOC and is subsequently discharged. Termination Date: contract start date (09S only)

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- (7) Fails to earn a commission and is subsequently discharged from the ARNG. Termination Date: contract start date (09S only)
- (8) Soldier is mobilized. Termination Date: date of transfer for mobilization. **(79T REA only)**
- (9) Transfer to any non-production 79T or non-production Recruiter position. Positions include but are not limited to Retention NCO, MEPS GC, AUVS Manager, Reserve Component Transition (RCT) Manager (Includes Inter-State (IST) and Inter-Service (ISR) Manager) or in Recruiting Marketing. Termination Date: date of transfer. (79T REA only)
- (10) An Army Medical Department (AMEDD) officer who received SLRP/09S. Termination Date: date appointed to an AMEDD Corps or branch. (excludes AOCs 70B and 72D) (09S SLRP only)
- (11) Discharged due to sole survivorship. Termination Date: date of separation/discharge.
- (12) Soldier initially gained in IPPS-A as standard excess and fails to be assigned to a primary position with their contracted MOS within 90 days. Termination Date: day 91 in excess.
- (13) Soldier accepts an AGR position for the purposes of a production recruiter in RRB. Termination Date: Start date of AGR orders
- (14) Involuntarily ordered into retirement. Termination Date: date of separation/discharge.
- (15) Chaplain accepts an AGR position that is not an AGR Chaplain position or continuing to drill as a Chaplain. Termination Date: Start date of AGR orders

#### 2. CONTRACT TERMINATION AND SETTLEMENT PROCESS

- a. Purpose. Provide guidance for the resolution of incentive eligibility issues when bonus contracts are not in compliance with law, regulations, or policy. This guidance also provides the process for terminating an incentive contract appropriately.
- b. Program Management. The IM is responsible for executing the SRIP, to include establishment, monitoring, and payment of each incentive within the program.

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- c. The settlement process uses four categories to organize violations. The types and definitions of the four categories are:
- (1) State Level Authority- Incentive issues caused by incorrect IPPS-A coding, inaccurate orders issuance, and missing documents in iPERMS or GIMS should be corrected at the State level. These issues can usually be addressed by amended orders, DA 4187s, revoked orders, or other internal state processes. An ETP is not required for these issues.
- (2) The ARNG Level Authority- Incentive issues that are not correctable by the State, and the State submits a Soldier's request for an ETP to the ARNG. The ARNG can make approval determinations when the incentive issue is a violation of the applicable ARNG Incentive Policy. If the issue violates a higher-level authority's regulation, policy, or statute, the ARNG will follow the applicable resolution path.
- (3) The Department of the Army (DA), Office of Secretary of Defense (OSD), or Statutory Authority- Incentive issues relating to law, DoDI, DoD regulations and policy, and DA policy. The ARNG Level Authority has been delegated limited authority to waive the requirement to recoup funds already paid to the Soldier in some cases involving DA Policy. While an ETP cannot always be approved to waive the requirement to terminate, the denied ETP may provide guidance to the State IM to terminate without recoupment. Only DA and/or OSD have authority to grant relief from termination for issues in this category.
- (4) Suspected Fraud, Waste or Abuse- Incentive contracts that demonstrate evidence of improper administration permitting erroneous incentive payments are subject to recoupment by federal statute(s) and/or DoD and Federal Management Regulations (FMR). Any alteration to an incentive addendum will be treated as suspected fraud. All cases will be reported to HRM-I and must be thoroughly investigated by the State to determine appropriate legal disposition. Decisions will be reported to HRM-I. If the State does not take appropriate level actions to investigate, the ARNG level authority will take actions as necessary.
- d. Erroneous overpayments are defined as payments made more than the Soldier's contracted payment amount, more than limits established by Law, and/or DoDI/Army Regulations/ALARACTs, or payments that were not legal and proper when made. Erroneous overpayments must be recouped as soon as discovered. There is no ETP process authorized for erroneous overpayments.
- e. Settlement process for State level authority corrections. State SRIP personnel are not authorized to submit an incentive for payment processing until the issues identified in paragraph 2c(1) are corrected in IPPS-A, iPERMS and GIMS as required.

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- f. The termination process uses five phases to process termination of an incentive contract. The phases and definitions are:
  - (1) Identify the Violation
- (a) State IM should review the addendum/agreement and applicable policies and/or regulations to include EIOMs, SMOMs, PPOMs, etc to verify eligibility based on the identified violation.
- (b) When a violation is identified, continue to research the contract in it's entirety to document and address all violations that have occurred during the contractual obligation.
  - (2) Terminate the Contract (in GIMS)
- (a) Once violations have been identified, the contract should be terminated in GIMS (with detailed remarks) with the effective termination date of the earliest (first) violation on the incentive contract. Exception: If the bonus has not been established in the DJMS-RC, the IM will complete an ACR in GIMS to move the contract to a QA/QC bin. Once the ACR is complete, the IM will invalidate the bonus. Due process is still required unless otherwise stated.
- (b) Identify whether the termination is with or without recoupment based on Enclosure 8 (Termination of Incentives).
- (c) If a Soldier is terminated without recoupment but still entitled to a pro-rated payment, the State IM will be required to select 'with recoupment' in GIMS to send the correct data to DFAS to generate the pro-rated payment.
  - (3) Complete Due Process (if required)
- (a) Due process is intended to allow the Soldier and/or unit a minimum of 45 days to provide supporting documentation or request an ETP. If neither happen at the expiration of 45 days the IM may proceed to terminate the contract appropriately. The State may allow more than 45 days if they are actively working with the Soldier and/or unit to receive supporting documentation or submit an ETP request.
- (b) The State IM is not required to notify the Soldier if no additional payments are scheduled, the Soldier is not due any additional funds, and no funds are required to be collected from the Soldier. (No notification is required to Soldiers that fail Initial Active-Duty Training (IADT).)

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- (c) The State IM is required to notify the Soldier if there are additional payments scheduled/due, or funds will be required to be collected from the Soldier.
- (d) The State IM will notify the Soldier and the Soldier's current unit of assignment of the issue requiring bonus termination and the ETP option using the DA Form 4856 (preferred document), or the Notification of Incentive Discrepancy Memorandum (Enclosure 14).
- (e) In cases where the Soldier is no longer in the ARNG and cannot be notified by any other means, then the memorandum will be mailed to the Soldier's last known Home of Record (HOR) address in IPPS-A by USPS mail (Certified mail is not required). Remarks confirming notification must be entered into the GIMS.
- (f) In the event that a Soldier requests an ETP the State IM will follow the steps below IAW Enclosure 8, 2g.
  - (4) Review and Verify the Termination
- (a) The State IM will review and verify all termination data to include the termination reason, date, with or without recoupment, and all other fields are filled out correctly.
- (b) If a Soldier has filed an ETP the State IM will ensure termination data is updated based on ETP results. If the ETP was approved, an ACR will be required to move the contract back to an active status.
  - (5) Process the Termination
- (a) Once all termination data has been verified and updated (as needed), the termination must be processed at the State level through both the 1st and 2nd reviews and forwarded to the next level for review.
- (b) 2R will confirm the validity of the terminated bonus and forward to State USPFO for final review and processing.
- (c) The IM will monitor the Termination Rejected Bin or work with their USPFO and will ensure all rejected transactions are corrected and re-queued as required.

#### g. Termination Amounts Defined

(1) The number of months served satisfactorily during the term for which an incentive was paid will be multiplied by the monthly rate authorized by the particular incentive. The monthly rate is calculated by dividing the total incentive amount by the

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number of months of service the member has agreed to serve. This calculation results in the Service member's "earned incentive."

- (2) That "earned incentive" must be subtracted from the total incentive amount paid to the individual to date (initial and any subsequent payments).
- (3) If the "earned incentive" is less than the total incentive amount paid, the overpayment to the individual must be recouped. If the "earned incentive" is more than the payments received to date (total of initial and any subsequent payments), the excess amount will be paid in the final installment.

## h. Request an ETP

- (1) The State IM will assist the Soldier in preparing an ETP request by ensuring all documents IAW Enclosure 14 are combined and submitted. ETP packet requires a G1/MILPO memo with a recommendation; if there is no recommendation, the ETP will be returned to the State.
- (2) The Soldier must submit any related documents that support their request. If the Soldier provides the requested documents within 45 days, the IM will submit an ETP on behalf of the Soldier. The IM may allow the Soldier additional time to submit the required documents if it is determined that circumstances warrant it.
- (3) If all supporting documentation required for submission of the ETP is in the Soldier's iPERMS, and the reason for the ETP is administrative errors by someone other than the Soldier, such as missing witness or service representative signatures and/or dates, the IM can submit an ETP on the Soldier's behalf. In these cases, a Soldier statement will not be required as part of the ETP packet.
- (4) The IM will submit and track the ETP request to HRM-I manually, by sending ETP request to <a href="mailto:ng.ncr.ngb-arng.mbx.arng-etps@army.mil">ng.ncr.ngb-arng.mbx.arng-etps@army.mil</a>. Each ETP will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- (5) If the Soldier elects to submit an ETP but fails to provide the requested documentation within the authorized time frame, the IM must enter detailed remarks in GIMS and process the termination through the 2nd review to the next level for review.
- (6) If the Soldier fails to respond to the discrepancy notification and the incentive is terminated, with or without recoupment, the Soldier is no longer eligible to file for an ETP. The Soldier may file a claim with the ABCMR if they disagree with the termination.

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(7) States may track ETP submissions on the ETP Tracker found on HRM-I GKN at <a href="https://armyeitaas.sharepoint-mil.us/sites/ARNG-G1-HRM/Lists/HRMI%20ETP%20TRACKER/AllItems.aspx">https://armyeitaas.sharepoint-mil.us/sites/ARNG-G1-HRM/Lists/HRMI%20ETP%20TRACKER/AllItems.aspx</a>

#### i. Disposition of ETP

- (1) Upon final adjudication of the ETP, the State IM will update GIMS, notify the Soldier of the results using the template in Enclosure 14, upload the determination in iPERMS under Name 'Bonus Agreement' and Title 'Approval or Disapproval Written Bonus Agreement', and upload in GIMS.
- (2) If the ETP was approved, the State IM should ACR the contract back to an active status and continue processing.
- (3) If the ETP was disapproved or disapproved but granting relief from recoupment, the State IM should update the termination data appropriately and continue processing the termination through 1st and 2nd level reviews including detailed remarks reference the ETP determination.
- (4) Army Board for Correction of Military Records. If the Soldier is not satisfied with the final disposition of the ETP, or believes there is an error or injustice, the Soldier may file a claim with the ABCMR at <a href="http://arba.army.pentagon.mil">http://arba.army.pentagon.mil</a>.
- (5) Terminations that require a CMS case should follow guidance IAW Enclosure 10.

#### 3. DISPOSITION OF INCENTIVES FOR MEDICAL SEPARATIONS

- a. In accordance with Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation (DoDFMR) 7000.14-R, Volume 7A, Chapter 2, Table 2-1, Rule 2, If a member under a written agreement for a pay or benefit incurs an injury or illness, through no misconduct of the member, that precludes the member from fulfilling the service conditions specified in the written agreement and the member is separated or retired for disability under 10 USC Chapter 61 and if such separation or retirement is for a disability incurred in the line of duty in a combat zone designated by the President of the United States or the Secretary of Defense, or in a combat-related operation designated by the Secretary of Defense, and/or involves a combat-related disability as defined in 10 USC 1413a(e) any unpaid pay will be paid to the member upon separation.
- b. State IM will work directly with their State Medical office to determine eligibility of final payment. Ensure no documentation is placed in GIMS that would violate the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

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## **ENCLOSURE 9: OUT OF SERVICE (OOS)**

#### 1. OUT OF SERVICE PROCESSING FOR BONUS CONTRACTS

- a. Out of Service reference's any claim involving prior uniformed service members' who no longer have a visible Reserve Component Master Military Pay Account (RC-MMPA). If the Soldier has a visible RC-MMPA process IAW Enclosure 10. Under claims, packets can be categorized as an Incentives Debt Packet (IDP) or Incentive Claim Packets (ICP).
- (1) Incentive Debt Packets are for all SM's who do not have a visible RC-MMPA that require debt establishment.
- (2) Incentive Claim Packets are for all SM's who do not have a visible RC-MMPA that are due an incentive payment from DFAS.
  - b. Incentive Debt Packet
    - (1) Required Documents:
    - (a) Separation Order
    - (b) Copy of Enlistment/Re-enlistment document (DD Form 4, DA Form 4836)
    - (c) Bonus Addendum
    - (d) Termination Memo with due process
    - (e) ETP memo (if applicable)
    - (f) Debt Certification Statement (required) (signed by USPFO) (see Enclosure 14)
    - (g) Any related supporting documentation
    - (2) AskDFAS submission steps:
    - (a) Select <a href="https://corpweb1.dfas.mil/askDFAS/welcome.action">https://corpweb1.dfas.mil/askDFAS/welcome.action</a>
    - (b) Select 'Debt and Claims Management'
    - (c) Select 'Submit A Ticket'
    - (d) Select from Categories 'Military Pay & Allowance Debts'

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- (e) Select from subcategories 'Bonus Recoupment'
- (f) Complete all the necessary information and upload all required documents. For tracking purposes, you can add additional email addresses.
- (g) Upon completion, Select 'Submit'. Ensure the Ticket Number, Access Link, and Passcode are saved and tracked to review status updates.

#### c. Incentive Claim Packet

- (1) The incentive claim packet can be submitted by the State IM or the Soldier. If State standard operating procedure (SOP) decides to send all information to the Soldier to submit the ICP, the record can be closed in GIMS IAW Enclosure 9, 1e.
  - (2) Required Documents:
- (a) Completed DD Form 827 for final payment including LOA information (SM signature is required) (see Enclosure 14)
  - (b) Separation Order
  - (c) Copy of Enlistment/Re-enlistment document (DD Form 4, DA Form 4836)
  - (d) Bonus Addendum
- (e) Memo signed by the State IM that includes the Soldiers SSN, Branch of Svc, Date of Separation, Current Mailing Address, and Current Phone number (see Enclosure 14)
- (3) AskDFAS submission steps (this can be completed by the Soldier or the State IM):
  - (a) Select <a href="https://corpweb1.dfas.mil/askDFAS/welcome.action">https://corpweb1.dfas.mil/askDFAS/welcome.action</a>
  - (b) Select 'Debt and Claims Management'
  - (c) Select 'Submit A Ticket'
  - (d) Select from Categories 'Claims'
  - (e) Select from subcategories 'Bonus'

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- (f) Complete all the necessary information and upload all required documents. For tracking purposes, you can add additional email addresses.
- (g) Upon completion, Select 'Submit'. Ensure the Ticket Number, Access Link, and Passcode are saved and tracked to review status updates.
- d. Out of service processing can occur with submission through CMS IAW Enclosure 10 or through AskDFAS <a href="https://corpweb1.dfas.mil/askDFAS/welcome.action">https://corpweb1.dfas.mil/askDFAS/welcome.action</a>
- e. Once AskDFAS ticket or CMS case is submitted, the State IM will ACR the contract to status 'contract complete' and cancel all remaining payments. If the case was in the CMS/OOS bins, click 'Mark Complete' or 'Termination Complete' to close the record.

#### 2. OUT OF SERVICE PROCESSING FOR SLRP CONTRACTS

- a. Out of service SLRP recipients that have turned in all required documents for open fiscal year payments can continue to process through GIMS as normal. Due to these payments being paid directly to the financial institution, there is no requirement for the Soldier to be in service or have a visible MMPA.
- b. Out of service SLRP recipients that have not turned in required documents can be processed as follows:
- (1) Send out of service Soldier a notification memo (see Enclosure 14) via United States Postal Service stating that they have 45 days to contact the State Incentive Management Office to process SLRP for payment. Upload Soldier notification memo into the GIMS under contract/document folder. If Soldier responds with appropriate documentation, then process payment. If Soldier does not respond within 45 days, then proceed to subparagraph 2.
  - (2) ACR the contract to status 'contract complete' in GIMS.
- (3) Should a Soldier seek payment later, contract data in GIMS will need to be updated into an active status through an ACR for payment processing following closed year or open year guidance, whichever is applicable. For contracts issued in FY 25, follow Enclosure 3, paragraph 5a(2).

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## **ENCLOSURE 10: CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (CMS)**

- 1. PURPOSE: CMS is a management system used for entering, tracking, resolving, and reporting pay. It was developed to give the finance and personnel communities the ability to resolve issues with a Soldier's records that cannot be resolved by directly updating the various pay or personnel systems. All Incentive Managers are recommended to have access to CMS.
- a. CMS is used by the Incentive Manager(s) to request corrections to Soldier pay records. These corrections include but are not limited to bonus master record MMPA corrections, RC-MMPA payments, establish debts, request CZTE reimbursement or adjusted W-2's, transactions for Soldiers assigned to the ING, and other actions as necessary. The RC-MMPA must be visible to process transactions, if RC-MMPA is not visible process IAW Enclosure 9.
- b. CMS is not intended to be the first method to resolve issues with the pay records of a Soldier; it is intended to be the last resort. Transactions that can be processed in GIMS should be attempted fully prior to submitting a CMS case.

## 2. Obtaining a User ID and Password:

- a. A DD Form 2875 (System Authorization Access Request) is not required to obtain access to the CMS system. Contact your Terminal Area Security Officer (TASO) in the Military Pay Office of the USPFO to request access per State requirements. Access is granted using the Account Management & Provisioning System (AMPS) website. AMPS can be accessed using the following link: https://prov.amps1.dla.mil/identity/faces/home. The roles required to use CMS to its full potential are DFAS CMS Prod Army View Update CMS-019 and DFAS CMS Prod Army Management CMS-070.
- b. The Incentive Manager(s) will have access to the Incentive Manager inbox found under the USPFO unless otherwise directed by their USPFO.
- c. Usernames and Passwords become "inactive" if not used after 30 days. This will require the unit TASO to reset the password for the user. Usernames and passwords are no longer used. CMS is fully functional using a CAC card. Accounts not logged into every 30 days will become "inactive" or "suspended". To bring the account back to an "active" status, please reach out to the TASO used to request the initial access.
- d. Usernames and Passwords become "archived" after 90 days. This will require the user to re-submit a DD Form 2875. If a user account remains "inactive" or "suspended" for 60 days (total of 90 days with no activity), it will be "archived" or "deactivated". This means that the user will be required to resubmit a new user request should the access need reinstated.

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- 3. CMS Case Types and Routing: CMS cases require specific information and documentation to be processed. These requirements can change at any time based on DFAS guidance. Overall, CMS cases are divided into two types: In Service and Out of Service. The overall type and sub-type of case determines what supporting documentation is required.
- a. An In Service case is defined as a case in which the Soldier has a visible RC MMPA and the monies due to the Soldier or owed to DFAS are paid using the RC MMPA. On the DD Form 139, in the 'TO' block use address: ARNG-RMC-F, 8899 E 56th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46249.
- b. An Out of Service case is defined as a case in which the Soldier is due payment or owes monies to DFAS using the RC MMPA, but it is no longer visible. On the DD Form 139, in the 'TO' block use address: DFAS-IN/JFEA, DCMO 3891, 8899 E 56th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46249. There are two instances where this could occur:
- (1) Soldier has accessed into a position that uses an AC MMPA such as Title 32 AGR or Title 10 AGR which closes their RC MMPA.
- (2) Soldier has left service due to ETS or transitioning to IRR, ING, or retirement and has no visible MMPA. This type of case will require the addition of the Soldier's last known Home of Record (HOR) and their Date of Separation (DOS) from service on the DD 139.
- c. Both case types require comments from each level that reviews and/or actions the case. The comments should be short, concise, and direct. Explain exactly what you need to be corrected. Provide the information currently in the system attempting to be changed (primarily DJMS) and the information it needs changed to. Clarify on the DD Form 139 "All attempts to process required transactions in the system of record have been exhausted". This will prevent the case being returned for correction and a promote a shorter processing time.
- d. All cases that fall into this category are to be routed to the following inbox in CMS for review and DD Form 139 signature prior to being processed or sent to DFAS as necessary: Service / Army / National Guard / NGB-Financial Services Center / NGB SRIP Incentives.
- 4. CMS Case Supporting Documentation: Supporting documentation is required with all cases created in CMS. However, the required documentation will vary depending upon the reason for case submission. The most common supporting documentation needed for cases include but are not limited to:

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- a. DD Form 139 (unsigned with clear and concise explanation)
- b. DD Form 214's
- c. Relevant LESs
- d. Enlistment Documentation
- e. Incentive Addendum
- f. DJMS screenshots
- g. Termination notifications
- h. Due process verification
- i. ETP/ABCMR results
- 5. CZTE Cases: CZTE cases submitted in CMS have their own list of required documents. All CZTE cases are to be routed: Service / Army / National Guard / NGB-Financial Services Center / NGB SRIP Incentives. These cases also do NOT require the DD Form 139. The required documents for this type of case are:
- a. A90 report (see local USPFO to pull from Corporate Electronic Document Management System (CEDMS) or DJMS (can be used if within last 12 months))
  - b. DA Form 4836
  - c. Full bonus contract or BRS-CP election form
  - d. Mobilization and/or TCS order (service member still in country)
  - e. DD Form 214 (service member stateside)
  - f. LES of incentive payment
- 6. CMS Case Timeline Completion: CMS cases can be a long process from submission to completion and can be dependent upon the complexity of the case. There is no standard timeline for processing these cases as many offices can be involved in the resolution for each case. The timeline starts from the day the state or territory submits the case to the NGB SRIP inbox. If a case has exceeded the timeline below, or assistance is needed to make the case a priority due to IG or Congressional

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involvement, please send an email with the case number in the subject line to the NGB CMS Assistance Mailbox: ng.ncr.ngb-arng.mbx.cms-case-assistance@army.mil.

- a. Representative from HRM-I reviews the case submission for accuracy and completeness. Case is either processed locally, routed for further processing, or returned to the state or territory for corrections within 3-5 business days.
- b. Representative from ARNG Resource Management Comptroller Division Financial Services Center (RMC-F) reviews the case submission for accuracy and completeness if routed by HRM-I. Case is either routed for further processing or returned to the state or territory for corrections via the NGB SRIP inbox in approximately 14 business days.
- c. Representative from DFAS reviews the case submission for accuracy and completeness. Case is either processed or returned to the state or territory for corrections via the NGB SRIP inbox in approximately 90 business days.
  - d. If a CMS case is returned at any level for any reason, the timeline starts over.
- 7. Common CMS Case Return Reasons: CMS cases can be returned for several reasons. Some of the most common reasons that cases are returned include but are not limited to:
  - a. Unclear comments about the request
  - b. Data mismatch within the request
  - c. Missing documentation
- d. Personally Identifiable Information (PII) violations (uploading documentation into a case that does not belong to the Soldier)
  - e. Issue already resolved outside of CMS
  - f. DD Form 139 contains incorrect information
    - (1) Signed by state or territory representative
    - (2) Incorrect address on form ('TO' block)
    - (3) Missing data in the explanation

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- (4) Amount mismatch at top and in explanation ('AMOUNT' block and 'EXPLANATION' block)
  - g. Additional guidance from DFAS on a case-by-case basis
- 8. Recordkeeping: All Soldier records in the GIMS will have comments entered that clearly indicate the type of action, disposition, and the date completed. Documents must be uploaded in the Soldier's iPERMS.
- a. All Soldier records, to include supporting documentation, will be stored in GIMS as the system of record. Supporting documentation will also be placed into the Soldier's iPERMS record as required to by applicable document matrix. Incentive Managers will document actions with clear and concise comments in GIMS. Type of action and date completed are already built into the transaction and will display in the history along with the detailed comments.
- b. Incentive Managers will keep a local tracker of transactions submitted to HRM-I or DFAS. This tracker should include the necessary information to accurately track, verify, and validate that submissions have been completed. This tracker can be requested by HRM-I at any time and at a minimum should include the CMS case number, date submitted, action requested, action taken, date completed, and Soldier has received all applicable payments. State IM(s) should develop and maintain this tracker in conjunction with their local USPFO.

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#### **ENCLOSURE 11: MANUAL PROCESS**

- 1. In the event that GIMS is inoperable, or data within the system has not been updated properly, HRM-I (or the ARNG G-1) will provide guidance to State G-1s and State IMs. States cannot function in a manual environment until approval by HRM-I (or the ARNG G1).
- 2. In a manual environment, it is important to recognize the separation of duties and responsibilities between the three levels of review: State IM, State 2nd Reviewer, and USPFO. These levels of review cannot be completed by the same individual or duty position.
- 3. The State Incentive Office is responsible for internal management controls established within their respective State. State Incentive Office internal controls must eliminate erroneous or fraudulent contracts from being issued and/or paid. It is imperative for the State IM(s) to properly evaluate, verify, accurately record, and be able to report all information and data concerning the entire process from issuance through payment of all incentives. In addition, the State IM is also responsible for keeping all supporting documentation on file until GIMS is fully operational and records can be manually input into the system. In a manual environment, the State IM must properly evaluate, verify, accurately record, and be able to report all information and data concerning the establishment and payment process.
- 4. The State IM(s) will work with their Recruiting and Retention Battalions to identify Soldiers who enlisted with incentives. The REQUEST system will provide a report for this purpose which the State IM can request via their respective ARNG MEPS GC. This only applies for contracts issued through MEPS.
- 5. All other incentives will be required to be request via Manual Incentive Request Form (published upon notification of manual processing) submitted to HRM-I. HRM-I will issue all bonus addendums assigning an 'issuance number' to the top right of the addendum. HRM-I will maintain a tracker with the issuance number and all other details. Any addendums signed that do not have a valid issuance number will be considered invalid and potentially fraudulent contract.
- 6. Bonus establishments and payments will be processed IAW internal State SOPs manually to their USPFO. Templates for eligibility checklists and establishment and payment spreadsheets will be published upon notification of manual processing.
- 7. SLRP payments will be processed IAW internal State SOPs manually to their USPFO. Templates for eligibility checklists and payment spreadsheets will be published upon notification of manual processing. USPFO will be required to submit SLRP payments to HRM-I between the 10th and 15th of each month. Any payments submitted

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outside of these dates will be returned and told to resubmit between the 10th and 15th of each month.

8. Any change or updates to this guidance will be published immediately following a system outage or requirement of manual processing.

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#### **ENCLOSURE 12: GUIDANCE FOR CLOSED YEAR PROCESSING**

- 1. IAW DoDFMR Volume 3, Chapter 10, 3.3 Closed/Cancelled Accounts, On September 30 of the fifth FY after the period of availability for obligation of a fixed appropriation account ends, the account must be closed and any remaining balance (whether obligated or unobligated) in the account must be cancelled and thereafter is not available for obligation or expenditure for any purpose.
- 2. Open year is defined as five years plus the current FY. For example, the current FY is 2025, five years back is 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, this makes FY 2019 a closed year. Open and closed years function on an FY cycle, it is not based on the Soldier date of entitlement or calendar year.
- 3. Once a payment has been identified as owed to the Soldier and they fall within a closed year, the following steps must take place.
- a. The Soldier must be notified of their eligibility for the payment using the Barring Act Memo template (See Enclosure 14).
- b. The Soldier must submit an ABCMR requesting the payment of those payments in a closed year.
- c. Once the Soldier receives an approved ABCMR, the State IM must complete the TAG concurrence memo for the ABCMR.
- d. After the State IM has received the approved ABCMR and TAG concurrence memo, the State IM will create a closed year packet including the following documents:
  - (1) Soldier's Memo (see Enclosure 14)
  - (2) G1/MILPO Memo (see Enclosure 14)
  - (3) ABCMR Finding's
  - (4) ETP (If the SM had an approved ETP)
  - (5) Updated NSLDS's (Required if requesting SLRP)
  - (6) DD Form 2475 (Required if requesting SLRP)
  - (7) Bonus/SLRP Addendum
  - (8) Payment Spreadsheet

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- e. The State IM will submit all required documents to the Closed Year inbox at NGB-HRMI-Closed-Year@army.mil
- f. The closed year request will be routed through HRM-I and G8 to secure funding. Upon receipt of the closed year memo, it will indicate how to process approved payments. The State IM may need to work with their USPFO to properly process payments owed IAW G8 and HRM-I guidance.

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#### **ENCLOSURE 13: DISPOSITION OF INCENTIVES FOR A DECEASED MEMBER**

- 1. Upon the death of a Soldier, all bonus entitlements due to the Soldier's beneficiary are processed by DFAS in coordination with the Casualty Assistance Office (CAO) and/or USPFO. The State SLRP Manager/IM is responsible for providing a copy of the incentive contract to the State CAO or the Military Pay section of the USPFO. The DFAS will determine the beneficiary's entitlement and will process all payments due.
  - a. Bonus contract(s) record must be completed in GIMS as follows:
- (1) If the Soldier has an active bonus contract that has been paid in full, with no payments remaining and with all payments processed before the Soldier's death, no action is required unless the contract was already in the termination process.
- (2) If the contract is in the termination process, submit an ACR to move the contract out of "Termination" status and into "Complete" status.
- b. If the Soldier has an active bonus contract with outstanding payments remaining, address as follows:
- (1) If the date of entitlement is prior to the Soldier's date of death, the State IM must action the payments in GIMS using the processing method OOS with a comment that the payments are due to the death of the Soldier. Once the payment actions are approved, they will move into the "CMS/OOS Payments" bin. Once the payments are in this bin, the IM must mark them as complete.
- (2) If the date of entitlement is after the Soldier's date of death, the IM must submit an ACR requesting that the dates of entitlement for all payments due after the Soldier's date of death be changed to the day before the date of death. Once the ACR is approved, the IM must action the payments in GIMS with the processing method "OOS" with a comment that the payments are due to the death of the Soldier. Once the payment actions are approved, they will move into the "CMS/OOS Payments" bin. Once the payments are in this bin, the IM must mark them as complete.
- 2. The SLRP contract record must be completed in GIMS as follows: If the loans under the SLRP contract are Federal loans, they will be discharged (i.e., forgiven) when the lender/lenders receive the death certificate from the Soldier's Family. No prorated or additional payments are authorized.
- 3. If an officer/Soldier has an approved bonus or SLRP contract with a contract start date after the date of death, the State SLRP Manager/IM must submit an ACR requesting the contract be moved to "Pending Validation" status. Once the ACR is approved, the State SLRP Manager/IM must invalidate the contract.

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# **ENCLOSURE 14: CHECKLISTS, FORMS, AND SAMPLE MEMOS**

All documents in this Enclosure will be located for use in <u>ARNG G1 Operations Division</u> - Documents - All Documents (sharepoint-mil.us).

1. DD Form 2875 – System Authorization Access Request (SAAR)

DD Form 2875, System Authorization Access Request (SAAR)  Complete the following: Type of Request User ID Date System Name Location  Part I: All blocks filled out appropriately and User signature present. Justification requires detailed remarks for required access. (see example)					
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SYSTEM AUTHORIZATION	ACCESS REQU	EST (SAAR)		OMB No. 0704-0630 OMB approval expires: 20260631	
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AUTHORITY: Public Law 99-474, the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act PRINCIPAL PURPOSE[8]: To record names, signatures, and other identifiers for the purp Defense (DoC) systems and information. NOTE: Records may be maintained in both elect ROUTINE USE[8]: None. DISCLOSURE: Disclosure of this information is voluntary; however, failure to provide the n TYPE OF REQUEST INITIAL  USER ID	onic and/or paper form equested information ma				
SYSTEM NAME (Platform or Applications)		LOCATION (Physi	cal Location of S		
GIMS		, ,		, ,	
PART I (To be completed by Requester)					
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	2. ORGANIZATION				
3. OFFICE SYMBOLIDEPARTMENT	4. PHONE (DSN or	,			
5. OFFICIAL E-MAIL ADDRESS	6. JOB TITLE AND	GRADE/RANK			
7. OFFICIAL MAILING ADDRESS	8. CITIZENSHIP		9. DESIGNATI	ON OF PERSON	
I. of the minimum mortage	US	FN	MILITA		
	OTHER		CONTR	ACTOR	
10. IA TRAINING AND AWARENESS CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS (Co	mplete as required fo	r user or functional	level access.)		
	(YYYYMMDD)	20240319			
11. USER SIGNATURE			12. DATE (YYY	YMMDO)	
PART II ENDORSEMENT OF ACCESS BY INFORMATION OWNER, USER SUPERVISOR OR GOVERNMENT SPONSOR (If Individual is a contractor - provide company name, contract number, and date of contract expiration in Block 16.) 13. JUSTIFICATION FOR ACCESS REQUESTING (ROLE) IN GIMS POSITION: REASON: LEVEL OF ACCESS (STATE, BDE, BN, UNIT): IF UNIT LEVEL AND YOU NEED MULTIPLE UICs, INCLUDE ALL UICS					
14. TYPE OF ACCESS REQUESTED AUTHORIZED PRIVILEGED					

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# DD Form 2875, System Authorization Access Request (SAAR)

- · DD Form 2875 is not complete until
  - Part I blocks 1-17 are complete
  - Part III blocks 22-26
  - The FINAL signature is block 18 Information Owner/Opr (the individual granting access will sign this).
- DD Form 2875 is NOT complete until fully complete and block 18 completed by the approval authority.
- DD Form 2875 will expire 1 year from Information Owner signature (block 18a) or 1 year from Cyber Awareness date whichever is earlier.

16. VERIFICATION OF NEED TO KNOW	16» ACCE	SS EXPIRATION DATE (Contractors must	spacific Company Name Contract Number			
		Date. Use Block 21 if needed.)	specify Company Name, Contract Number,			
I certify that this user requires access as requested.						
7. SUPERVISOR'S NAME (Print Name)	17a. SUPE	RVISOR'S EMAIL ADDRESS	17b. PHONE NUMBER			
7c. SUPERVISOR'S ORGANIZATION/DEPAR	TMENT 17d. SUPE	RVISOR SIGNATURE	17e. DATE (YYYYMMDD)			
	2000					
8. INFORMATION OWNER/OPR PHONE NUM	BER 18a, INFOR	RMATION OWNER/OPR SIGNATURE	18b. DATE (YYYYMMDD)			
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9. ISSO ORGANIZATION/DEPARTMENT	19b. ISSO (	OR APPOINTEE SIGNATURE	19c, DATE (YYYYMMDD)			
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2. Sample Memo - Notification of Forfeiture of Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) Payment

STATE LETTERHEAD

OFFICE SYMBOL

DATE:

MEMORANDUM FOR LAST, FIRST (GRADE), XXX-XX-1234

SUBJECT: Notification of Forfeiture of Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) Payment

- 1. Soldiers contracted under the SLRP are required by regulation, published guidance, and their incentive agreement to request for repayment by signing a Department of Defense (DoD) Educational Loan Repayment Program (LRP) Annual Application, DD Form 2475, and providing the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS) documentation of authorized eligible loan(s) in good standing for the annual performance period satisfactorily completed. It is the Soldier's responsibility to request repayment, as the ARNG does not enter into any agreement for the assumption of any loan. The Soldier can begin the request for repayment 90 days prior to and no greater than 365 days past their anniversary entitlement date.
- 2. You have been identified as not submitting the required documentation as stated within your incentive agreement within 365 days of the authorized annual entitlement date. If you do not submit the required documentation within 90 days of publication of FY 25 SRIP your annual payment will be forfeited.
- 3. You may be eligible to request an exception to policy if you do not agree with the information above. You must submit this exception to policy request within 45 days of the payment being forfeited. For assistance in submitting an exception to policy request, please contact your unit representative, unit career counselor, or State Incentive Manager.
- Point of contract for this memo is STATE INCENTIVE MANAGER.

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3. Sample Memo - SLRP Payment Forfeiture Soldier's Memo

To whom it may concern,

I, SPC John Smith, am requesting my forfeited SLRP payment be reconsidered for payment. I was unable to submit my SLRP documentation in the timeframe required because (REASON). I have completed all other requirements and submitted updated DD Form 2475 and NSLDS documents. Please let me know if you need anything else from me or my chain of command.

Service Members Signature

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4. DA Form 4856- Developmental Counseling Form (Termination Notification)

DISCLOSURE: Disclosure is voluntary.					
PART I - ADMINISTRATIVE DATA					
Name (Last, First, MI)  Rank/Grade  Date of Counseling					
Organization Name and Title of Counselor					
PART II - BACKGROUND INFORMATION					
Purpose of Counseling: (Leader states the reason for the counseling, e.g. Performance/Professional/Event-Oriented counseling, and include the leader's facts and observations prior to the counseling.)					
Approach: Non Directive Directive					
Type of Counseling:  General Form Professional Growth Performance Event Oriented					
Notification of Incentive Discrepancy and Exception to Policy Process					
PART III - SUMMARY OF COUNSELING					
Complete this section during or immediately subsequent to counseling.  Key Points Discussion:					
Rey Points Discussion:					
Your [type (NP, PS, etc)] incentive agreement is being terminated for the following reason(s):					
[Reason (s) for the incentive agreement being terminated]					
Based on the information above this would result in [final payment of \$xxx, repayment of \$xxx].					
You may be eligible to request an exception to policy if you do not agree with the information above. You must submit this exception to policy request within 45 days of this correspondence. For assistance in submitting an exception to policy request, please contact your unit representative, unit career counselor, or State Incentive Manager.					
Failure to submit an exception to policy within 45 days will result in immediate termination of your incentive.					

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5. Sample Memo - Notification of Incentive Discrepancy and Exception to Policy Process

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OFFICE SYMBOL DATE:

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SUBJECT: Notification of Incentive Discrepancy and Exception to Policy Process

1. Your [type (NP, PS, etc)] incentive agreement is being terminated for the following reason(s):

#### [Reason (s) for the incentive agreement being terminated]

- 2. Based on the information above this would result in **[final payment of \$xxx**, repayment of \$xxx].
- 3. You may be eligible to request an exception to policy if you do not agree with the information above. You must submit this exception to policy request within 45 days of this correspondence. For assistance in submitting an exception to policy request, please contact your unit representative, unit career counselor, or State Incentive Manager.
- 4. Failure to submit an exception to policy within 45 days will result in immediate termination of your incentive.
- 5. Point of contract for this memo is **STATE INCENTIVE MANAGER.**

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# 6. ETP Summary Sheet

	ARNG INCENTIVES ETP SUMMARY SHEET								
	NAME	RANK STATE PV1   AL	INCENTIVE CONTRACTED AMOUNT						
l	CHECKLIST		CONTRACT DETAILS						
	G1 MEMO	UI	:						
	SOLDIER STATEMENT	DATE OF ADDENDU	:						
STATE	BONUS ADDENDUM	AMOUNT PAID TO DAT							
	DA 4836 (if applicable)	CONTRACTED MO	:						
	DD-4 (if applicable)	CURRENT MO	:						
	BONUS REQUEST FORM (if applicable)	REASON FOR ET	:						
	SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS								
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## 7. Sample Memo - Notification of ETP Results

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SUBJECT: Notification of Exception to Policy (ETP) Result

- Your ETP request has been reviewed by the National Guard Bureau (NGB). The results of that review are enclosed.
- If your ETP request approved retention of the incentive, this has been annotated in your personnel record and the issue is considered resolved. Any remaining payments will be processed in accordance with your payment schedule and the ETP provided you remain eligible for payment.
- 3. If your ETP determination requires termination without recoupment of your incentive, the incentive will be terminated and the issue is considered resolved.
- 4. If your ETP determination requires termination with recoupment, your incentive will be processed for termination. When the termination is complete, you will receive additional correspondence pertaining to the required recoupment. Payment for the amount recouped cannot be made until the process is complete and the debt is established.
- 5. Point of contract for this memo is **STATE INCENTIVE MANAGER.**

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# 8. Debt certification statement

to the best of my and legally enforc	28, United States Code, Section 1746, I certify under the penalty of perjury that knowledge and belief that the debts submitted herewith are delinquent, valid
afforded all due p	reable in the amounts stated. The debts are not subject to any circumstances ade or bar collection, including collection by offset. The debtor has been process rights, including notification and an opportunity for review under 31, ecords available do not show that any debtor owing a debt has filed for
Date	Signature of Debt Certifying Official
	Print Name:
	Title:
	Office Symbol:
REQUIRED SIG	EPARATION AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS  GNATORY: The submitting office's director, deputy director, or
	<u>I SUBMISSION</u> : Prepare and send a copy of the Certification rith each manual submission of debts.
Statement to cover 3300 (ATTN: De Prepare and mail those periodic elec paper copy Certifi	DEBT SUBMISSION: Prepare and mail a copy of the Certification of the electronic submission of debts to: DCMO, DFAS-IN, Department of the Establishment), 8899 E. 56th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46249-3300. In a new Certification Statement whenever the signatory changes. For ctronic debt submissions when it is not necessary to reissue and mail a cation Statement (i.e., no change in signatory), e-mail the Certification of the electronically transmitted debts. Contact DCMO to obtain the ress for submission of e-mailed certifications.

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# 9. DD Form 827 – Application for Arrears in Pay

(FOR SERVICE IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES)  of sen represe arrears Items 1				INSTRUCTIONS  IT IN TRIPLICATE. TYPE OR PRINT. Form for use vice members, former service members, or legal entatives of incompetent members, in claiming s of pay, etc., believed to be due. Claimant fills out 1-7. Disbursing/Finance Officer fills out Item 8.		
AUTHORITY: PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: ROUTINE USES: GAO Manual, Title 2, Section 5, (Revised 1978); and 5 U.S. Code 301. Supports claim to Finance Center for pay which cannot be supported by local records. Claims are submitted because local records are incomplete, or member is separated, or will be separated before missing information can be obtained; or supporting documents are lost; or legislation or administrative decision creates retroactive entitlement which cannot be paid locally.  Voluntary. Claim initiated by member is only basis for payment.						
WARNING  WHOEVER MAKES OR PRESENTS TO ANY PERSON OR OFFICER IN THE CIVIL, MILITARY OR NAVAL SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES, OR ANY DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY THEREOF, ANY CLAIM UPON OR AGAINST THE UNITED STATES, OR ANY DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY THEREOF, KNOWING SUCH CLAIM TO BE FALSE, FICTITIOUS OR FRAUDULENT, WILL BE FINED NOT MORE THAN \$10,000 OR IMPRISONED NOT MORE THAN FIVE YEARS, OR BOTH. (62 Stat. 698) (18 U.S. Code 287)						
1. CLAIMANT DATA						
a. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)		b. SOCIAL SECURITY N	IUMBER	c. PA	Y GRADE	d. RANK
Smith, John F		999-99-9999			E-4	SPC
e. SIGNATURE  f. DATE SIGNED (YYYYMMDD) (YYYYMMDD) 20240922  f. DATE SIGNED (YYYYMMDD) 111 Rusty Road Kalamazoo, IN 03456						
2. PERIOD FOR WHICH ARREARS ARE BELIEVE	D TO BE DUE FR	OM THE U.S.		3. CL/	AIMANT SERVED IN	(X one)
a. FROM (YYYYMMDD) b. TO (YYYYMMDD) 20120603 20170101		·		X	ARMY NAVY	
LAST DATE ENLISTED/ENTERED ON ACTIVE DUTY (YYYYMMDD)     LAST DATE DISCHARGED/RELE ACTIVE DUTY (YYYYMMDD)			FROM		AIR FORCE	
20170101 6. PLACE OF DISCHARGE (City, State)		20170101			MARINE CORPS	
Kalamazoo, IN 03456				COAST GUARD		
7. FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES ON WHICH CLAIM IS BASED (State in sufficient detail to give a clear understanding. Continue on reverse side if additional space is needed.) Per NGB SRIP policy and signed incentive agreement, Reenlistment bonus contract for NAME (LAST 4) is required to be terminated, effective 20171214, due to REASON. Termination will result in a final payment of \$4,000.						
PAYMENT FY: PAYMENT APC:  8. DISBURSING/FINANCE OFFICER (Complete o	PAYME				FUNCTIONAL AREA:	

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10. Sample Memo - Incentive Claim Process memo

STATE LETTERHEAD

OFFICE SYMBOL DATE:

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Incentive Claims Packet (ICP) LAST, FIRST (GRADE), XXX-XX-1234

- SOLDIER NAME was enlisted in the STATE Army National Guard (ARNG) and is part of the Guard's Selective Reserve Incentive Program.
- SOLDIER NAME reenlisted for NUMBER OF YEARS on CONTRACT START DATE and the contract was terminated on TERMINATION DATE due to TERMINATION REASON. The Soldier is entitled to a prorated amount of \$XXXX.
- 3. Service Members information:
  - a. Mailing Address:
  - b. Phone Number:
- 4. Point of contract for this memo is **STATE INCENTIVE MANAGER.**

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11. Sample Memo - SLRP payments for OOS

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OFFICE SYMBOL DATE:

MEMORANDUM FOR LAST, FIRST (GRADE), XXX-XX-1234, Soldier Address

SUBJECT: Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) Payments for Out of Service Soldier

- Our records show that you have a SLRP payment pending that may be eligible to receive payment. In order to process this payment we need your signature on the enclosed DD Form 2475 with a copy of your National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS) Detailed and Summary Sheet dated within 30 days of this notification letter.
- You will have 45 days from the date of this notification letter to request payment from the STATE Incentive Management Office. Please mail/email your signed DD Form 2475 and NSLDS summary and detailed loan sheets dated within 30 days of this notification letter to (INSERT STATE IM ADDRESS/EMAIL).
- 3. If there is no response in the required timeframe, the contract will be marked complete. A written request will have to be initiated prior to any future payments being processed after the suspense date has passed.
- 4. Point of contract for this memo is **STATE INCENTIVE MANAGER**.

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## 12. Sample Memo - Barring Act Memo

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OFFICE SYMBOL

DATE:

MEMORANDUM FOR LAST, FIRST (GRADE), XXX-XX-1234, ADDRESS

SUBJECT: Notification of Potential Entitlement to Incentive Payment(s)

1. A recent review of your record in the Guard Incentive Management System (GIMS) determined you may not have received your incentive in its entirety prior to your separation from the Army National Guard. The incentive contract information regarding this notification is as follows:

Bonus Type: Control Number:

- 2. To process your request for payment, you must file a claim with the Army Board for Correction of Military Records (ABCMR) using the Army Review Boards Agency (ARBA) Case Tracking System (ACTS) Online at <a href="https://actsonline.army.mil">https://actsonline.army.mil</a>.
- 3. The Incentive Claim Packet (ICP) consists of the following documents:

Enlistment documents (DD4 or DA4836) Bonus Addendum Discharge Orders DD214 or NGB 22

- 4. All service documents are in your Army Military Human Resources Record (AMHRR) and can be viewed by registering at: https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/homepage
- 5. Point of contract for this memo is STATE INCENTIVE MANAGER.

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13. Sample Memo - Closed Year Soldier's Memo

To whom it may concern,

I, SPC John Smith, am requesting for my SLRP to be reconciled immediately. I would like to receive my cancelled entitlement payment concerning my FY 19 for \$7500.00. Please let me know if you need anything else from me or my chain of command.

Service Members Signature

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## 14. Sample Memo - Closed Year G1/MILPO Memo

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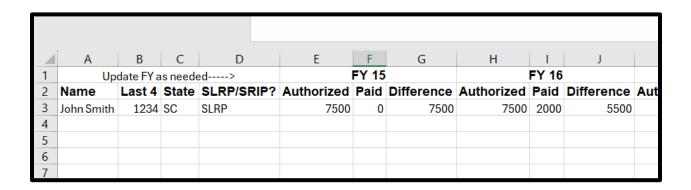
MEMORANDUM FOR Army National Guard Personnel Programs, Resources, and Manpower Division, 111 South George Mason Drive, Arlington, VA 22204-1373

SUBJECT: Request for Closed Year Payment Consideration

- SPC John Smith's eligibility was verified on date of entitlement in accordance with Army National Guard (ARNG) Selected Reserve Incentive Program (SRIP) Guidance for Fiscal Year 19 (SRIP FY19).
- 2. Request SPC John Smith's closed year incentives payment approval for FY 19, E00000000CA/Non Prior Service Enlistment Bonus (NPSEB)/ \$10,000.
- 3. SPC John Smith became DMOSQ as a 92A, however due to unit deployment the Soldier was slotted as a 35M. After deployment, SPC Smith reclassed from a 92A to an 88M due to his unit going through a MTOE change. The Soldier did not serve as 92A but remained as 88M after unit reclassification. A review of Department of Defense Form 4-1 and Department of Defense Form 1966 block 32a supports an incentive being offered at the time of agreement/contract.
- 4. Point of contract for this memo is STATE INCENTIVE MANAGER/G1/MILPO.

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15. Payment Spreadsheet for Closed Year Payment Request



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#### 16. DD FORM 368 - REQUEST FOR CONDITIONAL RELEASE

- a. General: The DD Form 368 is used to process individuals either in an active status of the Selected Reserve to transfer to another military component or assigned to the IRR and requesting assignment to an active status in the Selected Reserve.
- (1) Soldiers in an active Selected Reserve status while transferring to the ARNG on a DA Form 368 are not eligible to contract for an incentive. In accordance with AR 601-210, paragraph 10-5, b. (4).
- (2) Individuals assigned to the IRR and require a DD Form 368 for enlistment with the ARNG may be eligible for an incentive if meeting all incentive eligibility criteria.

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# **ENCLOSURE 15: SRIP MATRIX**

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OAB (suspended 9 Aug 21)	10K	×			×		Critical Skill AOC	11	< 15 years	01-02	N/A	N/A	
WOAB (suspended 9 Aug 21)	20K	×			×		Critical Skill AOC	11	< 15 years		A/N	A/N	N/A
OAFB/WOAFB (suspended 9 Aug 21)	10K	×		×	×		Critical Skill AOC	11	< 15 years	02	z	z	N/A
ORB/WORB (suspended 9 Aug 21)	20K	×		×					< 16 years	N/A	N/A	N/A N/A	N/A

SPECIAL NOTES
1. REB requires DMOSQ unless due to unit deactivation, unit relocation, unit transition, or cross-leveled for deployment.
2. *See Voluntary Education (VOLED) Policy for MGIB Kicker Eligibility Criteria.*

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#### **ENCLOSURE 16: INCENTIVE ELIGIBILITY and AUTHORIZED AMOUNTS**

- 1. The Non-prior Service Enlistment Bonus (NPSEB).
  - a. To qualify, an applicant must:
    - (1) Contract for a Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) listed on the ARNG Quarterly State Top Critical Skill (CS)/Low Density MOS list.
- (2) Attain an ASVAB Test Score Category (TSC) I-IIIA; reference AR 601-210, para 2-8d
  - (3) Meet/possess Education Level Tier 1; AR 601-210, para 2-7c
  - (4) Access as a Skill Level 1 (grade E-1 through E-4); AR 601-210, para 2-7c
- (5) Successfully complete the English-Speaking Language (ESL) program, if enlisting through the 09C program.
  - b. Not authorized:
    - (1) Individuals categorized as GNPS
    - (2) Individuals in the Recruit Force Pool
    - (3) Individuals accessed in 09R, 09S, 09W Enlistment Options
    - (4) Soldiers categorized as 09M or on AD under enlistment Option 26.
  - c. Amount and How Paid:
    - (1) NPSEB CS \$10K (State Critical Skill MOS list) (REQUEST Code NPS10K6CSP)
    - (a) Minimum six-year commitment
- (b) Payments are issued in installments (Initial 50% upon award of MOS and an equal disbursed amount from the remaining 50% on the anniversary date of MOSQ for each year meeting satisfactory performance and readiness requirements (reference AR135-91). A Soldier must perform satisfactorily during each anniversary year to receive all payments. An anniversary payment can be excluded (forfeited) from receipt at any time for non-satisfactory participation with no authorized recourse to receive the forfeited payment.

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# (2) NPSEB LD \$20K (State Low Density MOS list) (REQUEST Code NPS20K6LDP)

- (a) Minimum six-year commitment
- (b) Payments are issued in installments (Initial 50% upon award of MOS and an equal disbursed amount from the remaining 50% on the anniversary date of MOSQ for each year meeting satisfactory performance and readiness requirements (reference AR135-91). A Soldier must perform satisfactorily during each anniversary year to receive all payments. An anniversary payment can be excluded (forfeited) from receipt at any time for non-satisfactory participation with no authorized recourse to receive the forfeited payment.
- d. Combination: May not be combined with any other incentive in this policy. May be combined with the MGIB-SR Kicker. See VOLED Policy for MGIB-SR Kicker eligibility requirements.
- 2. Non-Prior Service Off-Peak Bonus (OP)
  - a. To qualify, an applicant must:
- (1) Contract for a RECSTA start date of 1 October through 15 May within the same fiscal year as Date of Enlistment (DOE).
  - (2) Attain an ASVAB TSC I-IIIB; reference AR 601-210, para 2-8d
  - (3) Meet/possess Education Level Tier 1; AR 601-210, para 2-7c
  - (4) Access as a Skill Level 1 (grade E-1 through E-4); AR 601-210, para 2-7c
  - (5) Must be standard training reservation
  - b. Not authorized:
    - (1) Individuals categorized as GNPS
    - (2) Individuals in the Recruit Force Pool
    - (3) Individuals accessed in 09R, 09S, 09W Enlistment Options
  - c. Amount and How Paid:

- (1) NPSEB OP \$7.5K (REQUEST Code OFFPK7.5K)
- (a) Minimum three-year commitment
- (b) Payment is processed as lump sum of \$7,500 upon award of MOS...
- d. Combination: May not be combined with any other incentive in this policy. May be combined with the MGIB-SR Kicker. See VOLED Policy for MGIB-SR Kicker eligibility requirements.
- 3. The Prior Service Enlistment Bonus (PSEB)
  - a. To qualify an applicant must:
    - (1) Pay Grade E-3 through E-7
    - (2) Have an ASVAB TSC I-IIIB (31 or higher); reference AR 601-210, para 2-8d
- (3) All prior service periods served under Honorable conditions (General under Honorable conditions ineligible)
- (4) Less than 16 years total military service (total military service includes inactive Reserve time in the IRR or ING)
- (5) Has not previously received an enlistment bonus (includes Non-Prior and Prior Service)
- (6) Soldiers previously awarded an Army MOS and only require Basic Combat Training (BCT) (due to extended break in service) are considered DMOSQ; however, may not receive payment until completion of BCT. BCT must be completed within 12 months of the date of enlistment (DOE).
- (7) Have the authorized MOS line scores for which the contract is being issued if Non- Duty Military Occupational Specialty Qualified (NDMOSQ)
- (8) Prior-service applicants who do not have a direct military conversion IAW DA PAM 611-21 are considered Non-DMOSQ. Determination of MOS conversion must be completed prior to accession to be offered a bonus or incentive.
  - b. Not authorized:

- (1) Individuals previously discharged or released from active duty or active military service based on a determination of misconduct, substandard duty performance (includes failure of HT/WT and APFT/ACFT), or moral or professional dereliction.
- (2) Soldiers whose last separation period was from Active Duty (not AGR or mobilized under Title 10/Title 32 orders) and processing through the transition office or from the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) after release from Active Duty as last discharge. (See Enlisted Affiliation Bonus)
- (3) ARNG Soldiers who were fully eligible for extension at the time of separation and within 365 days of the last ARNG discharge date are not authorized incentives.
- (4) Individuals in an active Selected Reserve (SELRES) status requesting a conditional release on DD Form 368 (Request for Conditional Release).
  - (5) Non-DMOSQ Soldiers applying for Special Forces.
  - (6) SLRP recipients.
  - c. Amount and How Paid:
    - (1) PSEB DMOSQ \$20K (REQUEST code PS20K6YP)
    - (a) Minimum six-year commitment
- (b) Payments are issued in installments (Initial 50% upon MOS verification and an equal disbursed amount from the remaining 50% on the anniversary date established by date of enlistment for each year meeting satisfactory performance and readiness requirements (reference AR135-91). A Soldier must perform satisfactorily during each anniversary year to receive all payments. An anniversary payment can be excluded (cancelled) from receipt at any time for non-satisfactory participation with no authorized recourse to receive the cancelled payment.
  - (2) PSEB DMOSQ \$5K (REQUEST code PS5K3YP)
  - (a) Minimum three-year commitment
- (b) Payments are issued in installments (Initial 50% upon MOS verification and an equal disbursed amount from the remaining 50% on the anniversary date established by date of enlistment for each year meeting satisfactory performance and readiness requirements (reference AR135-91). A Soldier must perform satisfactorily during each anniversary year to receive all payments. An anniversary payment can be

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excluded (cancelled) from receipt at any time for non-satisfactory participation with no authorized recourse to receive the cancelled payment.

# (3) PSEB Non-DMOSQ \$7.5K (REQUEST code PS7.5K6YP)

- (a) Minimum six-year commitment
- (b) Payments are issued in installments (Initial 50% upon award of MOS and an equal disbursed amount from the remaining 50% on the anniversary date of MOSQ for each year meeting satisfactory performance and readiness requirements (reference AR135-91). A Soldier must perform satisfactorily during each anniversary year to receive all payments. An anniversary payment can be excluded (cancelled) from receipt at any time for non-satisfactory participation with no authorized recourse to receive the cancelled payment.
- d. Combination: May not be combined with any other incentive in this policy. May be combined with the MGIB-SR Kicker. See VOLED Policy for MGIB-SR Kicker eligibility requirements.
- 4. The Enlisted Affiliation Bonus (EAB)
  - a. To qualify an applicant must:
    - (1) Pay Grade E-3 through E-7
- (2) All prior service periods served under Honorable conditions (General under Honorable conditions ineligible)
- (3) Less than 16 years total military service (total military service includes inactive Reserve time in the IRR or ING)
- (4) Must contract for an MOS on the State Critical Skill/Low Density List or EAB Critical Skill list.
- (5) Prior Service Soldier who has last discharge period from active duty with direct transfer to or currently in the IRR
  - (6) Soldier must be within 180 days of Regular Army ETS (RCCC only).
  - b. Not authorized:
- (1) Prior Service Soldiers whose last period of service was not on active-duty. (See PSEB)

- (2) Soldiers in a Reserve Component who are mobilized.
- c. Amount and How Paid:
  - (1) EAB DMOSQ \$10K (REQUEST Code EAB10K3YQ).
- (a) Minimum three-year commitment, Additionally, all criteria for this incentive type as outlined in AR 601-210, para 10-15a must be met.
- (b) Payment is processed in a lump sum 180 days from contract start date and upon verification of award of MOS.
- d. Combination: May not be combined with any other incentive in this policy. May be combined with the MGIB-SR Kicker. See VOLED Policy for MGIB-SR Kicker eligibility requirements.
- 5. The Reenlistment/Extension Bonus (REB): Soldier must meet all eligibility on contract signature date unless otherwise stated in this policy. On contract start date the Soldier must adhere to all requirements under Continued Receipt, Suspension, and Termination Rules IAW with this policy and their bonus addendum.
  - a. To qualify, a Soldier must:
- (1) Contract Duty MOS qualified unless due to unit deactivation, unit relocation, unit transition, or cross-leveled for deployment
- (2) Less than 13 years and one-month time in service on contract start date if enrolled in the High 36 Retirement System (Legacy)
- (3) No less than 5 years and no more than 6 years time in service on contract start if **enrolled in the Blended Retirement System (BRS)** 
  - (4) Pay grade E-4 through E-7
- (5) Has been a satisfactory participant for 3 months preceding the reenlistment or extension.
  - b. Not authorized:
- (1) Soldiers who are not eligible for reenlistment/extension or immediate reenlistment IAW NGR 600-200, Chapter 8, Table 8-1, Rule B.

- (2) Soldiers who are Non-DMOSQ, unless due to unit deactivation, unit relocation, unit transition, or cross-leveled for deployment.
- (3) Soldiers who have accrued one or more unexcused absences in the 3 months preceding reenlistment or extension is not eligible for the REB.
- (4) Soldiers who are reenlisting/extending to qualify for or be retained in a full-time military technician position unless the Soldier is DMOSQ DSMT mobilized/deployed to a CZTE area.
  - c. Amount and How Paid:
    - (1) REB DMOSQ 10K
    - (a) Minimum three-year commitment
    - (b) Payment is processed in a lump sum upon verification of MOSQ status
- d. Combination: May not be combined with any other incentive in this policy. May be combined with the MGIB-SR Kicker. See VOLED Policy for MGIB-SR Kicker eligibility requirements.
- 6. MOS CONVERSION BONUS (MOSCB)
  - a. To qualify, a Soldier must:
    - (1) Pay Grade E-6 and below
    - (2) Less than 12 years time in service on contract start date
- (3) Filling a valid vacant position in an MOS that is less than 90% filled at the State level
  - (4) Must get qualified in new MOS within 24 months of contract signature date
  - b. Not Authorized:
    - (1) Serving on any other incentive agreement
    - (2) Previously held or already be qualified in bonus MOS
  - c. Amount and How Paid:

- (1) MOSCB \$10K
- (a) Minimum three-year commitment (term begins when the MOS is awarded)
- (b) Payment is processed in a lump sum upon verification of award of MOS
- d. Combination: May not be combined with any other incentive in this policy. May be combined with the MGIB-SR Kicker. See VOLED Policy for MGIB-SR Kicker eligibility requirements.
- 7. 79T AGR Reenlistment/Extension Bonus (REA)
  - a. To qualify, a Soldier must:
    - (1) Pay Grade E-6 and E-7
    - (2) Less than 13 years of Active Federal Service (AFS) on contract start date
- (3) Active 79T Production Recruiter (directly responsible for recruiting personnel to enlist into the ARNG with an assigned mission)
  - (4) Serving in a 79T or 00F34 duty position with an active 4-digit RSID
  - (5) Assigned to a Recruiting & Retention Battalion
  - (6) Not under any SFPA
- (7) Satisfactorily performing duties as a recruiter per NGR 601-1, NGR 600-200 and DA Pam 611-21.
  - b. Not Authorized:
    - (1) Serving on any other incentive agreement
- (2) Soldiers serving as a Retention NCO, MEPS GC, AUVS Manager, RCT Manager (Includes IST and ISR Manager), or in Recruiting Marketing.
  - c. Amount and How Paid:
    - (1) <u>79T REA \$4.5K</u>
- (a) Minimum three-years of AGR Service from contract start date (Contract start date is the date of signatures by all personnel required on the incentive agreement)

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- (b) Payment is disbursed in installments (initial \$1.5K on contract start date, \$1.5K first year anniversary and final \$1.5K on third year anniversary).
- d. Combination: May not be combined with any other incentive in this policy. May be combined with the MGIB-SR Kicker. See VOLED Policy for MGIB-SR Kicker eligibility requirements.

#### \*Note: One time career bonus.

- 8. The OFFICER/WARRANT OFFICER ACCESSION BONUS (OAB/WOAB) SUSPENDED
- 9. The OFFICER/WARRANT OFFICER AFFILIATION BONUS (OAFB/WOAFB) SUSPENDED
- 10.OFFICER/WARRANT OFFICER RETENTION BONUS (ORB/WORB) SUSPENDED
- 11. LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM (LRP):
  - a. To qualify, a Soldier/Chaplain must:
    - (1) Non-prior Service Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP)
    - (a) Minimum six-year commitment in an active status
    - (b) Access as a Skill Level 1 (grade E-1 through E-4); AR 601-210, para 2-7c
    - (c) Attain an ASVAB Test Score Category (TSC) I-IIIA; reference AR 601-210, para 2-8d
    - (d) Meet/possess Education Level Tier 1; AR 601-210, para 2-7c
- (e) Must have authorized outstanding and pre-existing eligible Federal loans IAW Title 10 UCS 16301 listed on the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS) documents with a print date no greater than 30-days prior to date of enlistment.
  - (2) Prior Service SLRP
  - (a) Minimum six-year commitment in an active status
  - (b) Contract Duty MOS qualified

- (c) Pay grade E-3 through E-7
- (d) Less than 16 years total military service (total military service includes inactive Reserve time in the IRR or ING) at time of signature.
- (e) All prior service periods served under Honorable conditions (General under Honorable conditions ineligible).
- (f) Must have authorized outstanding and pre-existing eligible Federal loans IAW Title 10 UCS 16301 listed on the NSLDS documents with a print date no greater than 30 days prior to date of enlistment.
  - (3) Current Member SLRP
  - (a) Minimum six-year extension in an active status
  - (b) within the 12-month reenlistment/extension window
  - (c) Contract Duty MOS qualified
  - (d) Pay grade E-3 through E-7
- (e) less than 16 years total military service (total military service includes inactive Reserve time in the IRR or ING) on contract start date.
- (f) Must have authorized outstanding and pre-existing eligible Federal loans IAW Title 10 UCS 16301 listed on the NSLDS documents with a print date no greater than 30 days prior to date of reenlistment/ extension.
  - (4) Enlisted Affiliation SLRP
  - (a) Minimum six-year commitment in an active status
  - (b) Contract Duty MOS qualified
  - (c) Pay grade E-3 through E-7
  - (d) Soldier must be within 180 days of Regular Army (RA) ETS
  - (e) Affiliating while serving in the RA

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- (f) Less than 16 years total military service (total military service includes inactive Reserve time in the IRR or ING) on contract start date.
- (g) All prior service periods served under Honorable conditions (General under Honorable conditions ineligible).
- (h) Must have authorized outstanding and pre-existing eligible Federal loans IAW Title 10 UCS 16301 listed on the NSLDS documents with a print date no greater than 30 days prior to date of enlistment.

### (5) <u>09S (NPS/PS) SLRP</u>

- (a) Minimum six-year commitment in an active status
- (b) Must have a minimum of 90 semester hours listed on official transcripts or have a bachelor's degree or higher
- (c) Attain an ASVAB Test Score Category (TSC) I-IIIA; reference AR 601-210, para 2-8d
  - (d) Meet/possess Education Level Tier 1; AR 601-210, para 2-7c
- (e) Must have authorized outstanding and pre-existing eligible Federal loans IAW Title 10 UCS 16301 listed on the NSLDS documents with a print date no greater than 30 days prior to date of enlistment.
  - (6) Chaplain Loan Repayment Program (CLRP)
  - (a) Duty Area of Concentration Qualified (DAOCQ) as a Chaplain (56A)
  - (b) Be approved as a Chaplain by the Office of the Chief of Chaplains (OCCH)
- (c) Possess a current endorsement from a Religious Organization listed as an endorser with the Armed Forces Chaplains Board
- (d) Posses outstanding and pre-existing loan(s) that were secured on or after 1 October 1975 IAW Title 10 USC 16303.
- (e) Loans must have been applied toward a basic professional degree or a graduate education resulting in a Master of Divinity degree or equivalent (theological, chaplaincy, apologetics, religious, or related studies) that qualified the Soldier for appointment as a chaplain.

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- (f) Degrees issued prior to usage of a Master of Divinity or Theology that were approved by the OCCH.
- (g) Loans executed while pursuing an Additional Skill Identifier (ASI) in "Marriage and Family Ministries" (7K) and/or "Combat Medical Pastoral Care Specialist" (7S).
- (h) All degrees must be obtained from an accredited theological seminary listed in the Association of Theological Schools (ATS) handbook and/or an accredited institution listed within as a National Faith-Related Accrediting Organization in the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) Recognized Organizations' Directory.

#### b. Not Authorized:

- (1) Glossary Non-Prior Service (NPS, 09S only)
- (2) Individuals previously discharged or released from active duty or military service in an active status based on a determination of misconduct, substandard duty performance, or moral or professional dereliction. **(PS only)** 
  - (3) State, Private, and Parent Plus Loans
  - (4) Serving on any other incentive agreement
- (5) Currently be participating the Chaplain Candidate Program (56X) (CLRP only)
  - (6) Two-time non-select for promotion (CLRP only)
- (7) Service Members who have the SLRP incentive and do not execute a consecutive service extension for the required obligation period will terminate the SLRP, regardless of the maximum program amount achieved.

#### c. Loans:

- (1) Must have been disbursed prior to contract signature date. Only amounts disbursed prior to contract signature date are eligible for repayment.
- (2) May not add loan(s) or partial disbursements during their contractual agreement.

- (3) Loan(s) or partial disbursements can be added at the time of an additional six year extension (SLRP) or execution of a new agreement after completion of the current agreement (CLRP).
- (4) A repayment is authorized only when the authorized cap of the SLRP is available. Lifetime max cap for SLRP is \$50,000.
- (5) A loan in a default status prior to contracting is never eligible for repayment under the loan repayment program.
- (6) Loans entering a default status after the contract start date are not eligible for repayment while in a default status.
- (7) Loans that return to a good standing are eligible for repayment in the same entitlement year.
- (8) Loan(s) with an outstanding balance less than the calculated authorized repayment amount are only authorized the amount of the outstanding balance.
- (9) Repayment on loans not requested within the entitlement year will not include interest as it will be included in the preceding year's principal balance.
  - d. Amount and How Paid:
    - (1) SLRP \$50,000
- (a) Minimum six year commitment in an active status from contract start date based on enlistment/reenlistment/extension
  - (b) Lifetime maximum amount authorized: \$50,000
- (c) The portion or amount of a loan(s) that may be repaid is 15% or \$1,000.00, whichever is greater, for each year of satisfactory service, plus interest accrued during the current year (as described in AR 621-202, 6-5a(2)) with an annual repayment cap of \$8,333.33.
- (d) Previous SLRP agreements are calculated based on the following rates to include the consecutive extensions required for continuation of the SLRP agreement: (Maximum annual program remains fixed based on the initial SLRP agreement).

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<b>Contract Signature Date</b>	Minimum Payment	How applied	Annual Cap
FY 17 and earlier	15% or \$500	All Loans Combined	\$7,500.00
FY 18 through FY 21	15% or \$500	Each Loan	\$7,500.00
FY 22	15% or \$1,000	Each Loan	\$7,500.00
FY 23 to present	15% or \$1,000	Each Loan	\$8,333.33

<sup>\*</sup>Note: This is not retroactive to payments processed by DFAS.

- (e) Service Members performing an extension for the required term of service to maintain the SLRP will maintain the same calculated rate based on the signature date of the original SLRP addendum establishing the maximum program amount. Calculating formulas will not change unless ARNG provides additional guidance.
- (f) All repayments are made to the lending institution and not to the Soldier. Any payments made to the lender by the Soldier are not refundable by the Government.
- (g) Total repayment inclusive of interest during the contract period will not exceed the initial loan amount. The initial loan amount is defined as the total balance of all pre-existing outstanding eligible loans not to exceed \$50,000 at the time of signature.

#### (2) CLRP \$20,000

- (a) Minimum three years of Chaplain service from contract start date (Contract start date is the date of signatures by all personnel required on the incentive agreement)
- (b) Lifetime maximum amount authorized: \$80,000 (issued in four separate three year obligation contracts)
- (c) For each year of satisfactory service, the loan amount(s) to be repaid is one-third of the \$20,000 contracted amount plus interest accrued during the current year (as described in AR 621-202, 7-5a(2)).
- (d) All repayments are made to the lending institution and not to the Chaplain. Any payments made to the lender by the Chaplain are not refundable by the Government.
- e. Payment Processing: Repayment of eligible loan(s) begins when the request for payment(s) has been submitted by the Soldier up to 60 days prior to each anniversary date. Loan documents (Aid Summary, Loan Breakdown, Loan Details, and Loan Status History) must contain a print date within 30 days of the anniversary payment date or payment processing date whichever will result in most current and up to date NSLDS documents. Documents may be retrieved from <a href="https://studentaid.gov">https://studentaid.gov</a>.

- (1) Unit representatives or Retention NCOs complete and sign section 1 of DD Form 2475, DOD Educational Loan Repayment Program (LRP) Annual Application. The DD Form 2475 must be signed within 60 days of the anniversary payment date or payment processing date whichever will result in most up to date signatures.
- (2) Soldier completes and signs section 2 of DD Form 2475, DOD Educational Loan Repayment Program (LRP) Annual Application. The DD Form 2475 must be signed within 60 days of the anniversary payment date or payment processing date whichever will result in most up to date signatures.
- (3) Soldier must provide the following documentation every year through their chain of command to the State IM/SLRP Manager to include if submitting for previously missed anniversary payments, and must be within the time constraints as noted below for each payment:
- (a) Copy of the Summary Aid sheet (s) that is dated within 30 days of scheduled anniversary payment date or payment processing date whichever will result in most current and up to date information on loans.
- (b) Copy of the Detailed Loan information sheet(s) (including the Loan Breakdown, Loan Details, and Loan Status History) that are dated within 30 days of scheduled anniversary date or payment processing date whichever will result in most current and up to date information on loans. Note: must include those with a \$0 balance.
- (c) For loans consolidated after contract signature date, copy of all disbursement sheet(s) for all eligible loans not listed on the <a href="https://studentaid.gov">https://studentaid.gov</a> website.
- (4) A DD Form 2475 received more than 365 days after the SLRP anniversary date will allow payment of principal only for loans originally eligible on that date. Multiple year payments are eligible to be used on the current year DD Form 2475s, provided that Soldiers' loans are not in default at time of payment but interest will be paid for the current anniversary year only.
- (5) The State IM will update all loan information annually to minimize risk of overpayment, erroneous payments, or returned payments.
- f. Combination: May not be combined with any other incentive in this policy. May be combined with the MGIB-SR Kicker. See VOLED Policy for MGIB-SR Kicker eligibility requirements.

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#### **ENCLOSURE 17: CRITICAL & LOW DENSITY MOS LISTS**

1. HRM-I will provide quarterly lists that are state dependent. The States are required to provide submission by the 15th of the 3rd month in the quarter. If a submission is not provided, HRM-I will select a CS and LD MOS based on observation of the States actual needs.

#### 2. Critical MOS List:

a. Critical Skill MOS is defined as any MOS at or below a 90% fill rate at the State Level.

#### 3. Low Density MOS List:

a. Low-Density MOS at or below 80% fill rate, and at or below 100 authorizations.

#### 4. Enlisted Affiliation Bonus List

11C	15H	25W	68H	91H	94H
12C	17C	31E	68Q	91L	94M
12G	17E	35L	68R	91M	94P
12H	18B	35M	68S	91P	94S
12K	18C	35N	68Y	91S	94T
12P	18D	35P	88K	92F	94W
12T	18E	35T	88L	92L	94Y
13B	18F	37F	88N	92M	
13F	25D	38B	89A	92R	
13J	25E	42R	89B	92S	
13R	25H	46S	89D	94A	
14E	25S	68A	91A	94D	
14G	25U	68C	91C	94E	

2. Officer/Warrant Officer Retention Bonus Critical MOS List: (Suspended)

Officer Retention AOC	Warrant Officer MOS
N/A	N/A

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#### **GLOSSARY: ABBREVATIONS AND ACRONYMS**

#### **ADOS**

**Active-Duty Operational Support** 

#### **AFQT**

Armed Forces Qualification Test

#### **AIT**

Advanced Individual Training

#### AR

**Army Regulation** 

#### **ARNG**

**Army National Guard** 

#### **ARNG-HRH**

G1 - Personnel Policy Division

#### **ARNG-HRP**

G1 - Personnel Division

#### **ATRRS**

Army Training Resources and Requirement System

#### **DFAS**

Defense Finance and Accounting Service

#### **DOD**

Department of Defense

#### **HQDA**

Headquarters, Department of the Army

## **IDT**

**Inactive Duty Training** 

#### IET

**Initial Entry Training** 

#### **IPPS-A**

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#### **JFHQ**

Joint Forces Headquarters

#### **LRP**

Loan Repayment Program

#### MOS

Military Occupational Specialty

#### **NGB**

National Guard Bureau

#### PS

Prior Service: are considered non-DMOSQ if MOS has a certification requirement to maintain qualification and is not within the requirement on the DOE or requires additional/refresher/certification since date of initial MOS qualification; regardless of the retraining type: Distance Learning, Reserve Component or AIT equivalent.

#### RC

Reserve Component

#### **RCCC**

Reserve Component Career Counselor

#### **REFRAD**

Release from Active Duty

#### **REQUEST**

Recruit Quota System

#### **RMS**

**Retention Management System** 

#### **ROTC**

Reserve Officers Training Corps

#### **RSID**

Recruiting Station Identification

#### **SMP**

Simultaneous Membership Program

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#### **TAG**

The Adjutant General

#### **TPU**

Troop Program Unit (USAR)

#### **USAR**

United States Army Reserve

#### **USAREC**

United States Army Recruiting Command

# **FY 25 Frequently Asked Questions**

- 1. Is FY 25 SRIP policy guidance for contracts signed in FY 25 or all active contracts?
  - a. FY 25 SRIP applies to all contracts signed on or after 1 October 2024 unless otherwise stated.
- 2. Will HRM entertain ETPs for Soldiers that would be otherwise eligible but do not meet the BRS REB requirements based on time in service?
  - a. Soldiers enrolled in BRS and exceeding 5- 6 years and 1 month TIS are not authorized an ETP
- 3. Are Soldiers authorized to signed for an incentive while in a TDA unit?
  - a. Yes, Soldiers are authorized incentives in all unit types.
- 4. How will State Incentive Managers verify if a Soldier was coded 'U' for unexcused absence or unsatisfactory performance? How will the State IM verify if the Soldier has made up drill?
  - a. The State IM will coordinate with the unit when a contract has been identified with 1 or more 'U' codes to verify reason and if the unexcused absence was made up.
- 5. Does forfeiture of payment apply to contracts signed prior to 1 October 2024?
  - a. SRIP- Verbiage has existed in the SRIP policy since FY 20 that authorizes cancellation/forfeiture of payment for unsatisfactory performance/unexcused absences.
  - b. SLRP- Soldiers entering an initial obligation SLRP agreement (having met all initial eligibility to receive payments) and all current ARNG Soldiers with an active SLRP incentive that have not submitted all required documents within the timeline prescribed. State IM may use notification template (see Enclosure 14) for Soldiers with an active SLRP incentive prior to FY 25. Soldiers with an active SLRP incentive prior to FY 25 will be given 90 days from publication of FY 25 SRIP to submit all required documents.
- 6. Is the overstrength memo still applicable effective 1 October 2024?
  - a. Previous overstrength memo and guidance is superseded with the publication of FY
     25 SRIP. All overstrength guidance is listed in Enclosure 4, para 4; Enclosure 7, para
     1h; Enclosure 8, para 1b(7); and Enclosure 8, para 1c(12).
- 7. With the new requirements for BRS and Legacy REB standards, will GIMS or RMS track who is in which retirement program? Will units be able to see this data?
  - a. GIMS and RMS have a rule built in during the issue phase for enrollment verification.
  - b. Units can access the DPRO report to also verify enrollment.
  - c. State IMs/USPFO can also use the DPRO report or DJMS to verify enrollment.

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- 8. Are Dual Status Military Technicians (DSMT) eligible to sign for an REB while deployed to a combat zone tax exempt (CZTE) area, and is there a specialized process?
  - Yes, DSMT are eligible to sign for an REB while in a CZTE area and maintain that eligibility for the duration of the incentive agreement. It will be processed like all other REBs through GIMS
- 9. Does suspension of incentives apply if the SM has an ACFT and/or HT/WT SFPA?
  - a. Yes, the incentive is suspended regardless of SFPA type
- 10. Are Soldiers entering the AGR program required to accept a position in their contracted MOS?
  - a. No, as long as the Soldier still maintains their contracted MOS in some capacity (primary, secondary, addition MOS) they are authorized retention of their incentives.
- 11. Will the ACFT and HT/WT updated guidance for suspension of incentive be retroactive?
  - a. No, guidance will be published with the effective date upon approval of policy and system updates.

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ARNG-HRM-I (RN 135-7a)

1 October 2024

MEMORANDUM FOR The Adjutants General of all States, Puerto Rico, US Virgin Islands, Guam, and the Commanding General of the District of Columbia

SUBJECT: Update to The Army National Guard (ARNG) Selected Reserve Incentive Program (SRIP) Policy (ARNG-HRZ Policy #25-01) (EIOM 25-03)

- 1. Reference: The Army National Guard Selected Reserve Incentive Program Policy (ARNG-HRZ Policy #25-01)
- 2. Purpose: Update guidance to the Reenlistment/Extension Bonus (REB) eligibility criteria for Soldiers currently enrolled in the Blended Retirement System (BRS).
- 3. Guidance: Effective 1 October 2024, Enclosure 16 paragraph 5.a.(3) is rescinded and revised as follows:
- a. No less than 5 years and no more than 6 years and 1 month time in service on contract start if enrolled in the Blended Retirement System (BRS).
- 4. This memorandum must accompany ARNG-HRZ Policy #25-01 during any internal distribution.
- 5. This policy update will be incorporated into the next Fiscal Year SRIP.
- 6. The point of contact for this memorandum is Mrs. Sharon Michel, Program Analyst, who can be reached at 520-691-4019 or by email at sharon.d.michel.civ@army.mil.

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