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MEMORANDUM FOR Army National Guard (ARNG) Recruiting and Retention Force (RRF)

SUBJECT: SMOM 20-056, 09R10 Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) Enlistment Procedures

1. References:

a. Army Regulation 601–210 (Regular Army and Reserve Components Enlistment Program), 31 August 2016.

b. NGR 600-100 (Commissioned Officers Federal Recognition and Related Personnel Actions), 6 July 2020.

c. NGR 600-101 (Warrant Officer Federal Recognition and Related Personnel Actions), 10 September 2018.

d. USACC Regulation 145-1 (Reserve Officers Training Corps, Army ROTC Incentives Policy), 2 August 2016.

e. Department of the Army Pamphlet 611-21 (Military Occupational Classification and Structure), 19 July 2018.

f. Memorandum, ARNG-HRR, PPOM 19-049, subject: FY20/21 Strength Maintenance MEPS Processing, 9 October 2019.

g. Memorandum, ARNG-HRH, 1 April 2020, subject: PPOM 20-012 FY20/21 Army National Guard (ARNG) Accession Options Criteria (AOC) Change 1.

2. Background/Purpose: Numerous applicants assess into the ARNG every year as a 09R10, reserving a Basic Combat Training (BCT) seat with the intent to pursue an ROTC scholarship or contract DA 597 and have no intention to attend BCT. This memorandum is designed to provide clear instructions to facilitate and differentiate two distinct training paths for 09R10 enlistments. The DD1966 in the Warriors electronic record will designate which type of 09R10 enlistment option the Soldier is tracking and acknowledging.

3. Applicants will meet eligibility requirements listed in AR 601-210 paragraph 9-14, the Reserve Component Directorate, and CC Regulation 145-1. All 09R applicants will be fully processed at the Military Entrance Processing Station (MEPS) and have a validated checklist (HRR Form 200) and control number via Recruiter Zone (RZ) workflow before REQUEST reservation and enlistment. At no time will an applicant be renegotiated from an

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enlisted MOS to the 09R enlistment option. Applicants that enlist in a traditional enlisted MOS contract are not eligible for the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP) until they successfully complete Initial Entry Training (IET).

a. Eligibility (NPS/PS). A potential SMP (09R10) is an individual who is not contracted with ROTC or enrolled in the advanced course, and has executed an NGB Form 594-1. Advanced courses are Military Science (MS) III and IV. High School Seniors who do not meet the eligibility requirements will not be considered for this program. These applicants will:

- (1) Be a citizen of the United States.
- (2) Meet age requirements in AR 601-210, para 9-14e (5) and (6).
- (3) Have AFQT of 31 or higher
- (4) 110 GT Score
- (5) Applicants who require a suitability review, a civil conviction waiver, or administrative waiver for separations are not authorized to access until granted approval.
- (6) Suitability review submissions will include:
  - (a) Hand-written applicant statement.
  - (b) Court documents/police checks for charges being reviewed.
  - (c) Complete discharge documents (if applicable).
  - (d) OSM/Professor of Military Science (PMS) endorsement (telephonic or in-person) including the meritorious consideration.
- (7) Meet medical fitness standards as outlined in AR 40-501, Chapter 2.
- (8) Be enrolled in a full time regular course of instruction leading to a baccalaureate or advanced degree at an eligible institution hosting, or having a cross enrollment agreement or extension center agreement with another institution hosting an Army ROTC program. Exceptions may be granted by NGB Request Operations Center (ROC) for High School Minuteman and GRFD scholarship applicants.
- (9) Be enrolled as MS I or II, enroll in MS I or MS II upon start of college. College juniors beginning ROTC must be enrolled in MS III.
- (10) Provide a PMS certification (in memorandum format) explaining when the applicant will be enrolled in the advanced course.

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b. Processing. Applicants must have a REQUEST reservation for BCT and enlist under one of the two options listed below, either (1) or (2).

(1) Applicants that have initialed NGB Form 594-1, Section II, "I am required to complete basic training prior to enrollment in advanced ROTC course," will have a BCT reservation pulled that ship within 365 days of enlistment. Basic training will be pulled for the first available RECSTA that aligns with the applicant's academic schedule.

(a) Applicants that enlist under this option must become a contracted Cadet and supply a NGB Form 597-3 or a GRFD control number showing they have received and accepted a scholarship within 365 days enlistment.

(b) Applicants that fail to become contracted or obtain a GRFD scholarship within 365 days of accession will have 180 days to enter IET training for an enlisted MOS. The Soldier must become MOS qualified within 24 months of accession.

(2) Applicants that have initialed NGB Form 594-1, Section II, "I am not required to complete basic training prior to enrollment in Advanced ROTC Course," will not be required to attend Basic Training prior to becoming a contracted cadet with the following requirements.

(a) Applicant must provide either a DA Form 597-3 showing that they are a contracted cadet within 365 days of enlistment or a GRFD control number showing they have received and accepted a scholarship.

(b) If the Soldier fails to become a contracted ROTC Cadet, or receive a GRFD scholarship within 365 days from accession, they will be no longer be eligible for the 09R10 program. At the time they are no longer eligible, the applicant will have 180 days to enter standard straight through IET training for an enlisted MOS. The Soldier must become MOS qualified within 24 months of accession or be discharged.

(c) MEPS GC will pull Basic Training within 270 days of accession on day of enlistment. Immediately after the applicant is enlist confirmed in REQUEST the MEPS GC will call the REQUEST Operations Center (ROC) to cancel training only.

(d) Local State Recruit Sustainment Program (RSP) is responsible for tracking the 09R10 that request not to go to Basic Training. RSP will ensure the Soldier is renegotiated into an enlisted MOS after 365 days have passed and if the Soldier fails to become contracted or obtain a GRFD scholarship.

c. Enlistment requires an approved JPAS ship workflow to clear the JPAS submission in "Manage Investigation" to allow the MEPS GC to ship confirm REQUEST.

d. MEPS GC will add a free flow comments on the DD 1966 Remarks section annotating the type of 09R10 enlistment based on para 3b above either (1) or (2) based on applicant/RRNCO intent on day of enlistment.

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(1) "I am required to complete basic combat training prior to enrollment in advanced ROTC course."

(2) "I am not required to complete basic combat training prior to enrollment in Advanced ROTC Course. I understand I have 365 days from date of accession to obtain a DA Form 597-3 or be awarded a GRFD scholarship. If I fail to become a contracted cadet or be awarded a scholarship, I agree to Renegotiate to an enlisted MOS and become MOS qualified within 24 months of original enlistment contract date."

4. Exceptions to policy referencing 09R10 may be granted by NGB ROC. ETPs must include a DA 4187 with any substantiating documentation. The documents must include a memorandum from the Professor of Military Science from the ROTC department the 09R10 is participating with.

5. Recruiting and Retention battalions must conduct local sustainment training with their Officer Strength Manager and RRNCO teams as soon as possible to ensure compliance and knowledge of this new 09R10 enlistment procedure. SMTC will update the OSM and SQI4 courses to include knowledge of this process.

6. Point of contact for this action is MSG Matthew Campbell, 703-607-0944 or matthew.a.campbell22.mil@mail.mil.

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