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MEMORANDUM FOR Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1

SUBJECT: Reserve Components Veterinary Corps 180-Day Rotation Policy

The following 180-day "Boots-On-The-Ground" Rotation Policy for Reserve Component (RC) Veterinary Corps officers is effective the date of this memorandum.

Under the provisions of a Presidential Reserve Call-Up or a Partial Mobilization, RC Veterinary Corps Officers (AOCs 64 A-F) will deploy for a period not to exceed 180-day "Boots-on-the-Ground" in theater or at a CONUS or OCONUS duty station. Every effort will be made to expedite pre- and post-deployment processing such that the total duration of mobilization will not exceed 210 days. Officers in the key leadership positions of Commander, Deputy Commander, and those Command Staff Veterinarian positions (or equivalent) at the Combatant Commands, Corps, Division and Brigade level (including Special Operations Command equivalent), are excluded from this policy and will remain so for the duration of the mobilization. The Army will make every effort to manage AMEDD mobilization such that the period between mobilizations will be at least 36 months to the maximum extent possible, but in mission critical circumstances may be compressed to not less than 24 months between deployments.

The United States Army Reserve Command and the National Guard Bureau will ensure timely by-name identification of rotators and timely alert and processing to meet the timelines established above.

This policy does not preclude RC Veterinary Corps Officers from volunteering to extend beyond the 180 days or for more frequent rotations. Such requests for extension will be encouraged to provide continuity and to minimize turbulence and replacement pool requirements.

Continued support to on-going operations may require periodic revisions to this policy. This policy will be reviewed annually to ascertain impacts on operational continuity and effect on subsequent recruiting and retention. Exceptions to this policy will not be made unless approved by the undersigned.

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Ronald J. James
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