SUBJ/PROCESSING OF RESERVE TRAVEL CLAIMS ASSOCIATED WITH ACTIVE DUTY ORDERS IN CONJUNCTION WITH INACTIVE DUTY TRAINING (IDT) //

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RMKS/1. THIS MSG IS LABELED TAN 04-14 FOR ID PURPOSES.

2. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE FOR THE PROCESSING OF RESERVE TRAVEL CLAIMS FOR ALL TYPES OF ACTIVE DUTY (E.G., ANNUAL TRAINING (AT), ACTIVE DUTY OPERATIONAL SUPPORT (ADOS), ETC.) PERFORMED FOLLOWED BY IDT DRILLS.

3. BACKGROUND. PER REF (A), THERE IS NO AUTHORIZATION FOR TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION ALLOWANCES TO, FROM, OR AT THE HOME TRAINING CENTER (HTC) IN CONNECTION WITH AN IDT WHEN AN IDT DRILL IS PERFORMED AT THE MEMBER’S HOME TRAINING CENTER (HTC) UNLESS AUTHORIZED UNDER REF (B). AFTER PERFORMING ACTIVE DUTY, MEMBERS ARE PERFORMING IDT DRILLS AT THE TAD OR HTC SITE PRIOR TO COMPLETING THEIR AUTHORIZED RETURN TRAVEL, AS PROVIDED BY THEIR ACTIVE DUTY ORDERS. AN EARLIER INTERPRETATION OF REF (A) PROVIDED THAT WHEN THE MEMBER PERFORMS IDT FOLLOWING THE END OF AN ACTIVE DUTY PERIOD, THE MEMBER LOSES THEIR ENTITLEMENT FOR RETURN TRAVEL BACK TO THEIR HTC OR PRIMARY RESIDENCE.

4. ACTION. AFTER FURTHER CONSIDERATION, REF (C) AUTHORIZES THE MEMBER RETURN TRAVEL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ACTIVE DUTY ORDERS ISSUED. THE MEMBER’S CHANGE IN STATUS WHILE PERFORMING IDT DOES NOT NEGATE THE COMMAND’S RESPONSIBILITY IN REIMBURSING THE MEMBER’S RETURN TRANSPORTATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MEMBER’S ACTIVE DUTY ORDERS. THE MEMBER’S TRAVEL VOUCHER WILL BE SETTLED WITH CONSTRUCTED TRAVEL BACK TO THE MEMBER’S RESIDENCE OR HTC. PER DIEM IS NOT AUTHORIZED DURING THE RETURN TRAVEL.

5. EXAMPLE 1: A MEMBER WHOSE PRIMARY RESIDENCE IS MICHIGAN, CONDUCTS ANNUAL TRAINING (AT) AT HAWAII (THE MEMBER’S HTC) FROM OCTOBER 01-14. THE MEMBER THEN PERFORMS IDT DRILLS ON OCTOBER 15 AND 16 PRIOR TO RETURNING TO THE PRIMARY RESIDENCE. ALTHOUGH THE MEMBER DOES NOT RATE PER DIEM WHILE PERFORMING THE IDT DRILL IN HAWAII, ON OCTOBER 15 AND 16, THE MEMBER STILL RATES RETURN TRANSPORTATION FROM HAWAII BACK TO MICHIGAN NTE THE GOVT COST. PER DIEM IS NOT AUTHORIZED DURING THE RETURN TRAVEL.

6. EXAMPLE 2: A MEMBER WHOSE PRIMARY RESIDENCE IS MICHIGAN, CONDUCTS ANNUAL TRAINING (AT) AT HAWAII (THE MEMBER’S HTC) FROM OCTOBER 01-07. THE MEMBER FLIES TO THAILAND TO PARTICIPATE IN AN EXERCISE ON OCTOBER 06. THE MEMBER’S (AT) PERIOD CONTINUES UNTIL OCTOBER 07, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY AN OFF-SITE IDT PERIOD IN THAILAND FOR OCTOBER 08 – 12. UPON COMPLETION OF THE OFF-SITE IDT PERIOD IN THAILAND, THE MEMBER IS AUTHORIZED RETURN TRAVEL BACK TO THE HTC AND ALSO RATES RETURN TRANSPORTATION FROM HTC TO MICHIGAN FOR THE ACTIVE DUTY PERIOD. PER DIEM IS NOT AUTHORIZED DURING THE RETURN TRAVEL FROM THE HTC TO MICHIGAN.
7. EXAMPLE 3: A MEMBER WHOSE HTC IS HAWAII, FLIES FROM THEIR PRIMARY RESIDENCE IN MICHIGAN TO THAILAND TO CONDUCT ANNUAL TRAINING (AT) FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 01-07, FOLLOWED BY IDT IN THAILAND FROM OCTOBER 08-12. THE MEMBER IS AUTHORIZED RETURN TRANSPORTATION FROM THAILAND TO MICHIGAN UPON COMPLETION OF IDT.

8. THE ABOVE APPLIES EXCEPT IN CASES WHERE A MEMBER’S PLACE FROM WHICH CALLED OR ORDERED TO ACTIVE DUTY (PLEAD) CHANGES. THE UNIT AND THE TRAVELER MUST ENSURE THAT IDT SCHEDULED IN CONJUNCTION WITH ACTIVE DUTY ORDERS IS NOT PERFORMED IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO ACTIVE DUTY ORDERS IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE MEMBER’S PLEAD.

9. THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN COORDINATED WITH HQMC RFF/MCDOSS/MFR/MI/MPO/RA AND DFAS.