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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Housing Assignment Policy for Voluntarily Separated Persons (Geographical Bachelors)

1. Effective immediately, the Secretary of the Army has approved a change to the Army's unaccompanied personnel housing (UPH) assignment policy for geographical bachelors:

a. Soldiers entitled to basic allowance for housing at the "with dependent" rate, who are voluntarily separated from their family members, are not authorized assignment to permanent party UPH in the continental United States, Hawaii and Alaska.

b. This policy affects all permanent party UPH categories and all ranks.

c. Implementation will occur through attrition whether caused by Permanent Change of Station (PCS) orders, renovations, deployment, or for the convenience of the Government as determined by the local command. All Soldiers affected by this policy will be afforded at least a 30-day notice to terminate quarters.

d. The Garrison Commander is responsible for identifying geographical bachelors assigned to UPH and ensuring policy implementation. Garrison Commander retains the authority to identify, assign key and essential personnel to UPH and approve exceptions to this policy.

e. Additional housing allowances, government paid moves for household goods or other housing related reimbursements are not authorized for execution of this policy change.

f. Applicable housing and installation regulations will be revised accordingly.

2. All affected Soldiers should plan accordingly and unit counseling should occur prior to moving off post or PCS. Soldiers will process through their local Community Housing Relocation and Referral Services office to locate suitable off post rentals or for home purchases.

3. This policy change supports the Holistic Barracks Strategy initiative ensuring housing entitlements for single Soldiers can be met and all permanent UPH facility categories match the identified permanent party housing requirements. This is also a change in Army culture that has been in existence for many years. The Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management and the Information Management Agency are working on methods to assist Soldiers in this transition.

4. The point of contact for this action is Ms. Vernona D. Aslim at (703) 601-3578 or email: vernona.aslim@hqda.army.mil.

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