MEMORANDUM FOR All Military Personnel on Duty with the Missouri National Guard

SUBJECT: Right of Military Personnel to Present Complaints to or Request Assistance from the Inspector General

1. All military personnel on duty with the Missouri National Guard have the right to present complaints, grievances, or requests for assistance to the Inspector General. These complaints or grievances may include what Soldiers/Airmen reasonably believe to be evidence of fraud, waste, and abuse.

2. Before visiting the Inspector General, you should consider whether your chain of command can address your concerns in a more prompt manner. However, you are not required to present your concerns to your chain of command before contacting the Inspector General. Remember to obtain permission to be absent from your duties if you wish to visit the Inspector General during duty hours. You are not required to tell anyone why you want to speak to an Inspector General.

3. You may visit, call, or write your local Inspector General between 0700 and 1600 at:

   2302 MILITIA DRIVE, JEFFERSON CITY, MO 65101-1203
   Office located in the Military Education Facility (MEF), Room 156
   http://www.moguard.com/ig-link.html
   DSN 555-9615/9842
   COMM (573) 638-9615/9842 or TOLL-FREE 1-877-374-5910
   FAX 573-638-9751

4. If you believe your local Inspector General's response to your concerns is not fair, complete, or in accordance with law or regulation; or if you believe contacting your local Inspector General may jeopardize your interests, you may write to Chief, National Guard Bureau, ATTN: NGB-IG, Jefferson Plaza 1, Suite 11600, 1411 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202-3231. You may also call the Department of the Army Inspector General (DAIG) or the Department of Defense Inspector General, (DODIG) Hotline. Their contact information is:

   DAIG Assistance Line: Toll Free: 1-800-752-9747
   DODIG Hotline: Toll Free: 1-800-424-9098
   DODIG Hotline Website: www.dodig.mil/hotline
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5. Department of the Army personnel are prohibited from taking any action that restricts you from filing a complaint, seeking assistance, or cooperating with the Inspector General, or a member of Congress. These same individuals are prohibited from taking any disciplinary or adverse action against you for filing a complaint, seeking assistance, or cooperating with the Inspector General, a member of Congress or any agency established to receive such complaints. However, if you lie or knowingly make false accusations to the Inspector General, you will be subject to disciplinary action.

6. In accordance with AR 20-1, paragraph 1-12, the Inspector General has a duty to protect confidentiality to the maximum extent possible. This requirement to protect confidentiality is true for all persons who ask the Inspector General for help, make a complaint, contact or assist an Inspector General during an inspection or investigation, or otherwise interact with an Inspector General.

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The Adjutant General

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