MILITARY CHILD CARE

The Military Child Care Act of 1989 (Public Law 101-189, Section 1504) requires DoD to prescribe uniform fee regulations for Military Child Development Centers. Fees are to be based on total family income and shall apply to all children at a Military Child Development Center. The fee ranges for the 1996/1997 school year are effective with the commencement of the 1996/1997 school year. The fee ranges for military child care are as follows:

FEE RANGES FOR THE 1996/1997 SCHOOL YEAR

CATEGORY RANGE	TOTAL <u>1</u> / <u>FAMILY INCOME</u>	RANGE OF WEEKLY FEES AUTHORIZED PER CHILD 2/	OPTIONAL <u>3/HIGH COST</u>
I	\$0 - \$23,000	\$36 - \$49	\$41 - \$52
II	23,001 - 34,000	46 - 59	51 - 63
III	34,001 - 44,000	56 - 71	62 - 75
IV	44,001 - 55,000	69 - 80	74 - 86
V	55,001 - +	81 - 92	85 - 96

Notes:

- 1/ The Child Development Center should review DD Form 2652 to verify total family income. Military income includes Base Pay, Basic Allowances for Quarters and Basic Allowance for Subsistence. The most recent copy of the spouse's W-2 or a leave and earnings statement should be used to verify income for nonmilitary personnel.
- 2/ Installations may authorize up to a 20 percent reduction of fees charged for each additional child from the same family.
- $\underline{3}$ / The optional high cost range may be where it is necessary to pay higher wages in order to compete in the local labor market.