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## OPNAV INSTRUCTION 1533.6

From: Chief of Naval Operations

Subj: FOREIGN LANGUAGE SKILL PROFICIENCY POLICY FOR NAVAL

RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS MIDSHIPMEN

Ref: (a) USD(P&R) memo of 8 Apr 09 (NOTAL)

(b) 37 U.S.C. 353

(c) NSTCINST 1550.1A

- 1. <u>Purpose</u>. To establish a program that encourages Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC) midshipmen to develop proficiency in foreign languages or expertise in foreign cultural studies designated as critical.
- 2. <u>Background</u>. Reference (a) implements the Senior Reserve Officers Training Corps Skill Proficiency Bonus under reference (b).
- 3. <u>Policy</u>. Reference (c) prescribes the NROTC Language Skills, Regional Expertise, and Cultural Awareness (LREC) academic major policy for select midshipmen and ensures, as commissioned officers, they are instructed in LREC attributes desired by Navy. This instruction implements Navy's program per reference (a).

## 4. Responsibilities

- a. Roles and responsibilities for specific program implementation and management are set forth in reference (c).
- b. The Naval Education and Training Command (NETC), supported by Naval Service Training Command (NSTC), and Commander, Navy Personnel Command (PERS-4), shall report information on program implementation as required by reference (a) to the Navy Foreign Language Office (OPNAV (N13F)) no later than 15 October each fiscal year.

## 5. Reports

a. NETC reports, for the fiscal year covered by such report, shall include the following:

- (1) Number of individuals participating in the NROTC LREC major option by class, including number of individuals commencing participation in the LREC major option, number commissioned the previous year, total number of scholarships provided to NROTC LREC major participants, and number of individuals ceasing participation in the NROTC LREC major option.
- (2) Monetary value of the scholarships and the subsistence allowance provided per individual, including new participants.
- (3) List of languages and regional/cultural areas for which scholarships were paid, including the total amount paid for each such language or area.
- b. PERS-4 reports, for the fiscal year covered by such report, shall include data on the effectiveness of this program in assisting the Department of the Navy in securing proficiency in foreign languages of strategic interest to the Department of the Navy, including a description of how participants in this program are assigned and utilized following commissioning.
- c. OPNAV (N13F) shall compile the information listed above and submit a report on the preceding fiscal year's NROTC LREC program specifics, per reference (a), to the Secretary of Defense for further reporting to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and to Congress.
- 6. Records Management. Records created as a result of this instruction, regardless of media and format, shall be managed in accordance with Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) Manual 5210.1.
- 7. Reports Control. The reports contained within this instruction are exempt from reports control per SECNAV Manual 5214.1.

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