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SUBJECT: COMBAT SERVICE IDENTIFICATION BADGE (CSIB)

- 1. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO ANNOUNCE A CLARIFICATION OF EXISTING POLICY FOR THE WEAR OF THE CSIB IN PLACE OF THE SSI-FWTS ON THE ASU.
- 2. SOLDIERS WHO ARE AUTHORIZED TO WEAR THE CSIB AND THEIR SPECIFIC UNIT BADGES ARE PENDING PRODUCTION, ARE HERBY AUTHORIZED AS AN INTERIM MEASURE, TO TEMPORARILY WEAR THE CSIB AS DIRECTED BELOW.
- A. FOR SOLDIERS SERVING IN AFGHANISTAN, THE US FORCES AFGHANISTAN BADGE (USFOR-A) IS AUTHORIZED FOR TEMPORARY WEAR UNTIL THEIR AUTHORIZED UNIT BADGE IS PRODUCED.
- B. FOR SOLDIERS SERVING IN IRAQ, THE US FORCES IRAQ BADGE (USFOR-I) IS AUTHORIZED FOR TEMPORARY WEAR UNTIL THEIR AUTHORIZED UNIT BADGE IS PRODUCED.
- C. FOR SOLDIERS SERVING IN THE PHILLIPINES, THE SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND, PACIFIC (SOCPAC) BADGE IS AUTHORIZED FOR TEMPORARY WEAR UNTIL THEIR AUTHORIZED BADGE IS PRODUCED.
- 3. THIS AUTHORIZATION IS PROVIDED TO ENSURE THAT SOLDIERS ARE ABLE TO DISPLAY THEIR WARTIME SERVICE AND GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION WHILE WAITING FOR THEIR UNIT BADGE COMPLETION. NO OTHER CSIB WILL BE WORN IN LIEU OF THE AUTHORIZED BADGE FOR A GIVEN SOLDIER OR UNIT. THIS AUTHORIZATION IS VOLUNTARY AND SOLDIERS WILL NOT BE REQUIRED TO PURCHASE TEMPORARY BADGES.
- 4. ONCE A SOLDIER'S AUTHORIZED UNIT BADGE IS PRODUCED, IT IMMEDIATELY BECOMES THE ONLY CSIB AUTHORIZED FOR WEAR BY THAT SOLDIER.

- 5. THIS IS A TEMPORARY PROVISION AND WILL NOT APPEAR IN THE NEXT PUBLICATION OF AR 670-1, WEAR AND APPEARANCE OF ARMY UNIFORM AND INSIGNIA.
- 7. THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE ARMY G-1.
- 8. HQDA POC FOR UNIFORM WEAR POLICY IS SGM JAMES A. MCGRUDER, JAMES.MCGRUDER@CONUS.ARMY.MIL, DSN 664-0620, COM (703) 604-0620.
- 9. EXPIRATION: THIS MESSAGE EXPIRES UPON COMPLETION OF ALL AUTHORIZED CSIB PRODUCTION.