## **Department of the Army**

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## MEMORANDUM FOR Newsletter Representative

**SUBJECT**: Newsletter Distribution Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)

- 1. <u>Reference</u>.
  - a. 608-1, Appendix J, 21 July 2006
  - b. Memorandum for mailing of FSG Newsletters, 13 Mar 2006
- 2. <u>Purpose</u>. To provide official guidance on the preparation, printing, and distribution of the HHC 1/508<sup>th</sup> PIR newsletter.
- 3. <u>Content</u>: The Newsletter Must contain:
  - a. Determine the frequency of newsletter publishing
  - b. Determine methods of dissemination (Army/Installation Post Office or email to FRG Members)
  - c. Must contain a statement stating whether the newsletter contains official information only or both official and unofficial information.
  - d. If the newsletter contains official and unofficial information include statement: "the inclusion of some unofficial information in this newsletter has not increased the costs to the Government, in accordance with DOD 4525.8M."
  - e. Do not include any personal solicitation or financial information/reports.
  - f. No less then 80% command/official information. (Training calendar, FRG meetings, community resources, CDR, 1SG, CHP corner) vs. 20% comfort/unofficial info (i.e. births, anniversaries, etc)
  - g. The FRG may use Government paper and printing supplies to publish FRG newsletters to relay information from the command and to support any FRG mission activity.
- 4. Guidance for Official mail distribution
  - a. A disclaimer on top or bottom of 1<sup>st</sup> page SAMPLE: "opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the Department of the Army"
  - b. Unit commander's signature block and signature must be in content (maybe in the CDR Corner/Comments)

- c. Up to 6 pages, front and back
- d. Only black and white print, no color
- e. Each unit must appoint an official mail Point of Contact and all newsletter processing must go through the Point of Contact.
- f. Newsletters must be folded in half, top to bottom, and stapled.
- g. Unit address (AFZ....) needs to be in top left corner on outside page.
- h. OPTIONAL Newsletters can be counted and bundled by zip code.