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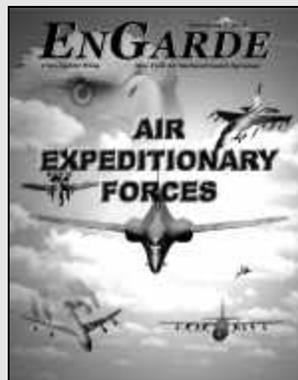
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Members of the 174th Fighter Wing prepare to deploy in support of Air Expeditionary Forces (AEF) 6 & 7.

COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Operations and Maintenance Report To The Wing Commander

Boss, before I depart, I would like to give you an objective overview of your operations and maintenance organizations, as seen from the former Commander of both. I will do my best to be objective and will attempt not to reminisce and pontificate.

Both organizations are sound and in a lot of ways very similar. The strength of both is that they are professionally competent in job knowledge and have strong leadership and functional competence at the intermediate levels. They both play by the rules and are disciplined. Simply put, they are both good acts and possess the talent to sustain it.

Maintenance: As you know Boss, there are a lot of moving-parts. They can launch, turn, load, fix and support as good as any maintenance outfit I've seen. They know their job. If given priorities and a vector, the jobs will be accomplished competently. The bosses need to continue to push decision-making and planning to the element supervisors and stay out of their way – they are getting more comfortable with this and are responding well to the additional authority and latitude. The shops

are working better together. Because of the complexity of tasks, maintenance needs to practice. Continued emphasis on making day-to-day activities the same/complementary of “How we'd really do it.” Practice ICT + Combat Turns and keep them proficient. They've got a sound plan in place, but it will need to be practiced for continuity. I've learned a lot from these guys and gals and the new commander will be privileged to be on the point of Maintenance. They are in good health.

Operations: They are current, proficient and deep. They are better today than they were last year and will be better next year than today. I don't have a lot to report to you concerning Ops, as I consider myself a maintenance man now. Maybe just to recommend that they keep hiring the best talent available. It seems like everyone they hire is better than what's there..... a good sign they are confident and on the right track. I honestly can't see any clouds on the horizon for them. The deeper you go in their organization – the better the talent, both O's and E's. Keeping other units from poaching is the only issue I can think of.



LT. COL. KIM HUNTER,
174th FW, Logistics Group Commander

I would like to thank Col. Paul Richter and all of his people for the support provided while here. You've got some “fighter-pilots” in the Support Group and Wing as well. They too have a mission, and as one who benefits from their work, they continue to prove they understand it.

Boss, thank you for the opportunity to lead operations and maintenance. I am very proud to be associated with them and the 174th Fighter Wing. Thanks for letting me do my job and for the opportunities – I'll try to do the same.

174th Fighter Wing Vision and Mission Statements



Vision Statement

Our Vision is a world class fighter wing comprised of diverse individuals empowered to meet all challengers, and win. We accept nothing less.

Mission Statement

Provide combat ready personnel, aircraft, and equipment prepared for world wide deployment. To deter or attack and destroy enemy surface and airborne forces in support of joint operations; and to support civil authorities at the direction of the governor.

Key Results Area

**Readiness: Equipment-Training-People
Effective use of People and Resources
Environmental and Compliance Awareness**



Chaplain's Corner

By Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jean Vargo, 174th FW



A Tribute to Those Who Served

“Civilian in Peace, Soldier in War... of security and honor, for three centuries I have been custodian, I am the Guard. I was with Washington in the dim forest, fought the wily warrior, and watched the dark night bow in the morning. At Concord's bridge, I fired the fateful shot...I bled at Bunker Hill. My footprints marked the snow at Valley Forge...These things I knew, I was there!...I am the Guard...through the jungles and on the beaches, I fought the enemy, beat, battered broke him. I scrambled over Normandy's beaches. I was there. I am the Guard...

I have faced forward to tornado, typhoon, hurricane, and flood-these things I know - I was there! I am the Guard. I have brought a more abundant, fuller, finer life to our youth. Whenever a strong arm and valiant spirit must defend the Nation, in peace or war, whenever a child cries or a woman weeps... there I stand. I am the Guard. For three centuries a soldier in war, a civilian in peace-of security and honor, I am the custodian now and forever. I am the guard.” (“I Am The Guard”)

It was early March, during the quiet of the storm, snow falling, wind whirling, and night falling, then the phone rang and heartbreaking news shattered the stillness of falling snow. Twenty-one guardsmen have fallen. I was asked to join the grieving families, the grieving unit, and the employers. While flying to Virginia Beach I couldn't help but wonder what I would encounter, how would

individuals be expressing their grief, I wondered how would I reach out to their broken hearts.

I spent the week with the 203rd Red Horse, Virginia Beach. It was a powerful and life changing week as I walked through the building with 18 grieving families. Ten per cent of the Red Horse unit died in the crash...and now in the aftermath I met with employers, and employees, families and friends...and I listened to how valuable these men were. It was my team's job to notify all the employers and employees an begin the grief process...I listened how these men were the fabric of life weaving threads of love, of volunteerism, of family strength, of helping spirits, of dedication, of making their community a better place...and I found myself asking, Why God? Why these folks, why now?? All of the men had made such a powerful impact on the lives of those along the way...their spirit upbeat, their dedication to add value to life and community and family. I left the event needing to leave, yet on the plane I couldn't take my eyes off all the news articles I had collected about the fallen guardsmen. My heart wanted to tell the world of these fine men, my spirit wanted to cry for the grieving.

And now I return home, not as one who knew the answers and has solved the problems, but as one who now knows what the problems are. I can't answer the whys, but at least, I understand the question--as only one can who has walked through that long, dark valley of watching loved ones suffer.



Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jean Vargo

The guard called together 26 chaplains to be with, to cry with the families of the fallen...I don't think many of realized what we would experience ... and when we arrived, I think I can speak for all 26, we were overwhelmed to the point of tears and sorrow ...we were there to hold, to listen and be the hope and comfort of God for our people. We were there because we would not let anyone cry alone. Neither would God.

As we remember these men, and as we remember the men and women who have gone before them may their life story continue to touch us, to speak to our spirits, and remind us of how very special God has created each of us. Thank You Lord for those people you have made a part of my life.

Take Time To Consider

By Maj. John Balbierer, 174th FW, Aircraft Generation Squadron Commander

As we prepare to deploy on our 2^d AEF rotation, take time to consider that the number one priority for the Air National Guard is the successful integration into AEF. Our Total Force participation is key to the success of this ANG goal.

Each 174th Fighter Wing member is an ambassador representing the ideals

and mission focus of the Guard. We will be working directly with active duty members who are there for 90+ days. Let's be sure our 2-4 weeks in theater make a difference and leave a lasting Guard impression. Remember that many of these active members are future Guardsmen. Show them that Syracuse is the place they want to be.



AEF Family Support

By Maj. Kate Vaughan, 174th FW, Community Manager



Family members and friends are invited to join the Family Readiness Team and your Wing Leadership for an Air Expeditionary Force (AEF) deployment workshop at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday the 28th of June in our Wing Conference Room. This is the second year we are offering this workshop to answer any questions you may have about our deployment.

If you attend you will learn more about our AEF mission and the resources available for your family. A few of our speakers will include the Wing Com-

mander, Base Chaplain, a Red Cross representative, and the deploying First Sergeant. You are welcome to bring your children and friends and enjoy a relaxed atmosphere with refreshments. Please ask the gate guard for directions to our Wing Headquarters parking lot and proceed to the center of the building to the large briefing room.

For those of you who attended our Family Day on 10 June, you may have seen our new "Tele-eye" video camera. This system is designed to allow us to deploy a camera with our troops for video-

phone calls from the base. Since this is the first year we have this equipment, it is still being tested. We plan on establishing a link for those troops deploying to PSAB by 11 August 2001.

If you are interested in obtaining any additional Family Support information pertaining to this deployment, please call me at (315) 454-6139. Throughout this deployment, you can access updated information and get 24-hour support by dialing 1-800-982-3696 and pressing #1 for Family Support assistance.

Preparation for Family Separation

By Maj. Kate Vaughan, 174th FW, Community Manager

Use this checklist to ensure your family is prepared for your departure:

- Verify spouse/POC has access to checking and savings accounts needed during deployment
- Identify where emergency cash or credit can be acquired
- Provide spouse/POC with last Leave and Earning Statement
- Verify and update SGLI (insurance policies) and Service records
- Draw up or update wills
- Obtain Power(s) of Attorney (if needed)
- Update Emergency Data card (DD Form 93)
- Check expiration date on dependents' ID cards
- Verify dependents enrollment in DEERS
- Make sure family has list of contacts (see Key Phone listing below)
- Complete regular car maintenance
- Check expiration dates for all automobile requirements (e.g. license plates & inspections)
- Complete any needed home repairs
- Arrange for pick-up or forwarding of mail
- Notify your employer(s)

Tips on Preparing for Family Separation:

- ❖ Be prepared for everyone to experience various feelings as the deployment approaches, including anger, sadness, and anxiety
- ❖ Allow everyone in the family (including children) to talk about their feelings about the deployment
- ❖ Plan and spend time together as a family
- ❖ Reassign roles and responsibilities
- ❖ Talk about personal routines, rules, and other pertinent issues concerning the children with the spouse or caregiver
- ❖ Talk about how the service member and family will keep in touch during the deployment
- ❖ Prepare list of contacts for repairs, emergencies, and recreational services
- ❖ Tell children ahead of time so that they have time to understand and accept a parent is leaving
- ❖ Talk a little about how the deploying parent's return will be celebrated

ON-BASE	
Family Readiness/24 Hour Security	(800) 982-3696
Family Support Center	(315) 454-6161/
Chaplain (On-Base during Deployment)	(315) 454-6642
Legal Office (During UTA or appointment)	(315) 454-6644
Military Pay	(315) 454-6485

AEF: Are You Ready?

By Senior Master Sgt. Lisa Damon, 174th FW, AEF Aviation First Sgt.



Senior Master Sgt.
Lisa Damon

I'd like to begin by saying I'll be your First Sergeant for our AEF deployment and look forward to the adventure. If you have any concerns, question or ideas on how to make our deployment successful, please let me know. The following information is taken directly from the PSAB Right Start Guide dated 15 Nov 00. If you have any questions, please let me know.

In addition to the requirements stated on your orders, the following information is provided to help ensure that you have the items you need during your stay:

I.D. Card Holder: Military I.D. cards must be carried at all times. It's recommended that you bring an I.D. cardholder that you can wear around your neck or on your arm. ID cards will be worn visibly when wearing civilian clothes and tucked away while in uniform. In addition, dog tags must be worn at all times, except while participating in team sports.

Uniforms: Brown t-shirts will be worn. DCU floppy hats are authorized and are recommended, however, it will not be curled, flipped, pinned, or altered in any way. Five point hats are not authorized for wear. Sunglasses are highly recommended, but must be conservative and worn properly.

Restricted Area Badge: If you have a home station issued restricted area badge, bring it with you.

Civilian Clothes: You will have limited opportunities to travel off base. The civilian clothing requirement on your orders should suffice for those opportunities. Plan on bringing conservative clothing, to include one collared shirt and long pants, to wear during off-

duty time as well as for exercising and taking part in recreational activities. Bring clothing appropriate for the climate (hot/dry). Here are some other on-base clothing requirements to consider:

- Swimwear – must be conservative and may only be worn at PSAB's pool.
- Outside the pool area, shirts must be worn at all times unless you're in a designated game area and taking part in a team activity like volleyball or basketball. No half shirts, or anything showing the navel or cleavage is authorized. Tank tops are not authorized in the dining facilities.
- Mixing of uniforms with civilian clothes is not authorized (this includes cut-off DCU pants).
- Rubber shower thongs or flip-flops are only authorized in showers and to and from the pool area. In addition to shoes, sandals may be worn throughout the base.

Other Items to Bring: Bring an alarm clock and your own towels for use in the dormitories/pool and skin lotion due to the dry climate. Portable radio/stereo, hair dryer, etc., are recommended items. The PSAB dormitories all have 110-volt power, so your electrical items from home will work. The 363rd Expeditionary Services Squadron has plenty of sports equipment available for use, but you may want to bring your own roller blades and safety equipment, racquetball racquet, etc. However, do not bring tennis or golf equipment, as these activities are not available.

- After getting off the plane, you will be escorted to the PERSCO tent where PERSCO representatives will meet you and conduct your in-processing briefing. **DO NOT PLACE YOUR MOBILITY FOLDER IN YOUR CHECKED LUGGAGE (REPEAT) DO NOT PLACE YOUR MOBILITY FOLDER IN**

YOUR CHECKED LUGGAGE. Items within your mobility folder will be required for in-processing (i.e., your AF Form 245, shot records, medical health summary statement, dog tags, OJT records, AF Form 522 (Weapons Card), CED orders, and your military ID Card). **PLEASE ENSURE YOU HAVE THESE ITEMS WITH YOU.**

Failure to bring these items for in-processing will result in a discrepancy message being sent to your Wing/CC.

Communicating Back Home:

MORALE CALLS – Please see your supervisor regarding morale calls. We have coordinated morale calls for our folks.

Medical Tips for Newcomers:

Climate Considerations:

- DRINK WATER, then drink some more. Consume enough so you urinate at least every 2 hours and your urine is clear.
- Don't depend upon your level of sweating or thirst to decide to drink water.
- Work and rest in cycles to avoid dehydration and overheating. **"DO NOT WORK UNTIL YOU DROP"**.
- Supervisors and peers should ensure everyone is drinking plenty of water.
- Water at Coalition Complex is potable and can be used for brushing teeth and drinking.
- DO NOT drink the water from the taps outside of Coalition Complex. The water is non-potable.
- Protect your skin from sunburn with proper wear of your uniform and sunscreen.
- Use a sunscreen with a SPF of 15 or higher. The pharmacy has sunscreen and lip balm free of charge.

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Chemical Warfare Defense Equipment (CWDE)

By Master Sgt. Jerry Burrows, 174th FW, Combat Operations Support Flight Supervisor

It's show time.... Check, check, and re-check. (Yes, that's three)

We have begun building individually sized C-bags for all identified AEF players and are ready for issue. The following items are already in your bag:

- 2 Overgarments (Battle Dress Overgarment)
- 2 Overboots
- 4 Gloves and cotton inserts
- 4 C2 Filter canisters
- 4 Hoods
- 1 M8 paper
- 1 M9 Tape
- 2 291 Decon kits
- 2 295 Decon kits

The above items are stored and controlled by the War Readiness Section of

Base Supply. All shelf life items have been reviewed for serviceability. Unfortunately the items we do not have control over, are the items that were issued to you when you initially received your training gear. These items are referred to as Individual Protective Equipment (IPE). IPE assets include:

- Gas Mask
- Web Belt
- Field Suspenders
- Ammo Pouch
- Canteen assembly
- Helmet and helmet cover

YOU are responsible for the serviceability of these items. If you do not have these assets and/or they are not serviceable you **MUST** report to Bldg

649 NLT the Jul UTA to correct the problem.

You will be issued your C-bag during deployment processing. The following will occur:

- You will report to the baggage drop area with your IPE
- Inventory your C- bag contents
- Sign for accountability
- Bag will be sealed
- Off you go

If you have any questions or concerns, please direct them to Master Sgt. Jerry Burrows, 454-6137.



Master Sgt.
Jerry Burrows

Health Protection and Medical Surveillance

By Chief Master Sgt. Laurie Radtke, 174th FW, Health Systems Specialist

Well, here we are again – preparing for AEF and ECS deployments! No doubt many of you recall the medical requirements and procedures from the first time around. First and foremost, these requirements are for your protection. You will be traveling to countries throughout the world that, in some cases, do not share our high health and sanitation standards. Not only must we ensure that you are healthy when you leave here, we also must validate your health status on redeployment. That's what health protection and medical surveillance are all about - and here's what they entail.

IMMUNIZATIONS: As always, routine shots must be up to date. IPPD (tuberculosis screening), MMR

(measles/mumps/rubella), and Meningococcal are also required for most deployed locations. Anthrax program requirements have changed temporarily and will not be a significant factor for this trip.

HIV: An HIV screening samples must be collected and submitted on each deploying member.

DENTAL: All deploying personnel must be in either dental class 1 or 2. Personnel in class 3 have defects that could reasonably be expected to cause significant dental health problems in the immediate future and are not eligible to deploy. Personnel in class 4, primarily new personnel, have no dental health record on file and will be scheduled to report to the Dental Clinic.

Individuals deploying for 30 days or longer will be required to complete a pre- and post-deployment health assessment. You are also responsible for packing an adequate supply of any required prescription medications to last for the duration of your deployment.

Remember that these aren't just squares to be signed off on a processing list. They are crucial steps in medical surveillance and will ensure your continued good health. Have a safe and healthy deployment!



Chief Master Sgt.
Laurie Radtke

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- Avoid intentional exposure to the sun without proper protection. If you sunbathe, make sure to use sunscreen and not just oils/lotions.
- Wear a hat. The floppy hat is designed to protect your ears, face,

- nose, and the back of the neck.
- Seek shade whenever possible. Don't stand in the hot sun if you can avoid it.
- This is a very dry climate - use lotion on your skin daily.
- Wear sunglasses. Preferably, polar-

- ized lenses with a dark tint that reduce glare and absorb ultraviolet light.
- Know signs/symptoms of heat stress: headache, weakness, abdominal/leg cramps, dizziness, and fainting.

Military Pay Entitlements

Personnel Deploying to Saudi Arabia / Kuwait / Turkey

- Base Pay (BP) – Rates determined by grade and years' service
- Basic Allowance for Subsistence (BAS) – Rates determined by meal availability
- Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) – Rates determined by grade and dependency status
- Hostile Fire/Imminent Danger Pay (HFP/IDP) – Based on duty location (\$150.00 per month)
- Hardship Duty Pay (HDP-L) (Enlisted Members Only) – Based on duty location – Rates determined by grade
- Combat Zone Tax Exclusion (CZTE) – Based on duty location & Contingency

NOTE: Taxes will be withheld from pay and refunded after active duty tour is complete

100% of enlisted pay is tax excluded, up to \$4893.60 per month for non-rated officers and \$5043.60 for officers drawing Incentive Pay for flying.

If tour is over 30 days, additional entitlements are

- Accrual of Leave (2.5 days per 30 days)

- Family Separation Allowance (FSA-T) – Based on Dependents who reside with member (\$100.00 per month/prorated by # of days)

Personnel Deploying to Spain/Curacao

Entitled to all the above, except Hostile Fire, Hardship Duty and Combat Zone Tax Exclusion unless order specifically states that duty is in direct support of one of the HFP/CZTE authorized contingency operations and a Hostile Fire Certificate or Command letter is issued to the member.

All Deploying Members

Because so many factors affect each person's pay entitlements, we suggest that deploying members complete an AEF entitlements worksheet. The worksheet will be included in the Deployment Information Letter (DIL) and copies are available in the Accounting & Finance Office. Call the Entitlements Branch at 454-6487/6525 for details.

AEF Travel Entitlement

Members going to SWA will be provided meals and quarters at no cost and will receive \$3.50 per day for incidental expenses. Those deploying to Italy and Turkey will be quartered on base and have a Dining Hall available for all meals and will receive \$11.00 per day and reimbursement for quarters cost. If quarters are not available then members will be entitled to the full locality rate for the location. Those deploying to Istres France will be entitled to the full locality rate for the location. Current rates are \$78 for meals and \$71 for lodging but are subject to change.

Government Travel Card

AEF deployers should use their Government Travel Cards for the following:

- Lodging (government or commercial quarters)
- Meals (whenever possible) when

- government meals are not available
- ATM advances (keep the amount of withdrawal as small as possible)
- Rental car (only if authorized in orders)

Since ATMs are not always available at all deployed locations, you may want to consider taking your cash advance before leaving home. General guideline for ATM withdrawal amounts:

- SWA: \$3.50/day x 18 days = around \$60
- Italy & Turkey: \$9.50/day x 18 days = around \$170

Procure airline tickets through the base Traffic Management Office (TMO). **Do not charge airfares to your individual Government Travel Card.** (OK to use for excess baggage charges, if authorized.)

Will you be deployed more than 30 days? If you will, you should file interim travel vouchers every 30 days. This will speed up your reimbursement and allow you to pay your travel card balance on time. For more information, contact the Accounting Branch at 454-6490/6491/6526. Don't forget about the "split-disbursement" option, let us send the money directly to your government travel card account!

Need a card? Get an application from the Accounting & Finance Office. Fill out the front; have your commander sign the back and return the form to 174 FW/FM (Attn: Senior Master Sgt. VanWie). The card will be mailed to you about two weeks after we receive the application.

Card troubles? To avoid any problems during your TDY, call Bank of America at the 1-800-472-1424 number on the back of your card PRIOR to your departure to ensure your account is open and in good standing. If you do encounter problems during your trip, first – call Bank of America. Then, if they can't solve the problem, call Senior Master Sgt. VanWie (DSN 489-9484; (315) 454-6484), 174 FW Agency Program Coordinators for the Government Travel Card.



Are Your Personal Affairs In Order?

By Chief Master Sgt. Gary A. Scheirer, 174th FW, Military Personnel Flight NCOIC

Has your marital status changed lately, has your family size changed?

Important steps need to be taken to ensure an orderly transition of information connected with a change in marital status and/or dependents. Your DD Form 93, Record of Emergency Data and your SGLV-8286, Servicemen's Group Life Insurance must be kept current when the marital status or number of dependents change. There are serious ramifications that can occur if these two documents are not kept current.

Recently, there have been two deaths reported to the Robins Air Force Base, Military Personnel Flight. In the first case the member's DD Form 93 had not been updated since 1993. The address showed the spouse was somewhere in Texas, when she actually resided with the member in Georgia. It also showed his two children as living with the member when they were actually grown and living on their own at different addresses. This delayed the arrival of the Casualty Assistance Team and their ability to render timely assis-

tance to the member's family.

In the second case, the SGLI form had not been updated since 1991 when the member was married to his first wife and had a child. In reality, he



had since remarried. As a result, the current spouse ended up getting all the insurance while his child (from the previous marriage) received nothing due to the member's "by law" election on the SGLI Form. Had the member kept his elections current, or had a current will,

this tragedy could have been avoided. There also have been instances where the member failed to keep his or her election current and the former spouse got all the insurance instead of the current spouse.

If your marital or dependent status changes, you will need to bring in your marriage license or divorce decree, or birth certificates. Changes in dependent status could also affect your pay, so finance needs to be kept current on your changes.

Your spouse and dependents need to be enrolled in the DEERS system and receive a dependent ID Card. This is very important for your dependents to receive benefits. A new spouse cannot be enrolled unless the previous spouse has been terminated in the DEERS system with a date of divorce. Separated spouses cannot be removed from the ID Card/DEERS system. SGLI beneficiary's elections can be changed at any time.

If you have any further questions, you may contact Senior Airman Rob Zoldi at the MPF, 454-6496.

Travel Information

It's that time again, AEF. For some personnel, travel will mean flying on a Commercial Reserve Air Fleet (CRAF) L-1011. For others, it will mean flying on either a military or commercial aircraft from Syracuse to Baltimore-Washington International, Atlanta or Charleston, S.C. There you will transfer to an AMC Rotator or Patriot Express aircraft to your final destination.

The Traffic Management Office (TMO) and Wing Plans (XP) will coordinate to make all your travel arrangements. TMO will book all commercial and rotator flights. XP will take care of the military and contract flights. Before leaving it is important that you understand what to expect.

The most important thing you need to know is your itinerary: If you pick up

tickets at TMO, you will be briefed on flight numbers and times for your trip. TMO will provide terminal maps to assist in finding your way. You may have long wait times between flights. Know where you are going and make sure you catch the proper flight to your final destination. If you are scheduled for a commercial flight and you have problems with your connections call SATO at 1-800-827-7777.

It is your responsibility to keep track of your baggage. If you are transferring between either a commercial or a military flight to a rotator flight, you are required to claim your luggage and then check it in at the AMC counter. Do not leave your bags unattended anywhere enroute or at your final destination. Airport and overseas security is very high. If you leave your luggage unattended, it

will most likely be confiscated. The amount of baggage you can take is limited – pack appropriately.

Make sure you have cash for your trip. ATM's are not always available. If you are traveling to Turkey, you are required to pay airport taxes in the amount of \$45 - cash. There are no ATM's at the terminal and they do not accept credit cards or checks. Don't forget to bring your government travel card – you may need it for unexpected travel expenses. Be sure the card will not expire while you are gone. Once you depart the base it will be too late to make changes.

If you have any travel questions, please up channel them through your chain of command.

Protective Equipment MCU-2A/P

Inspect The Following Components

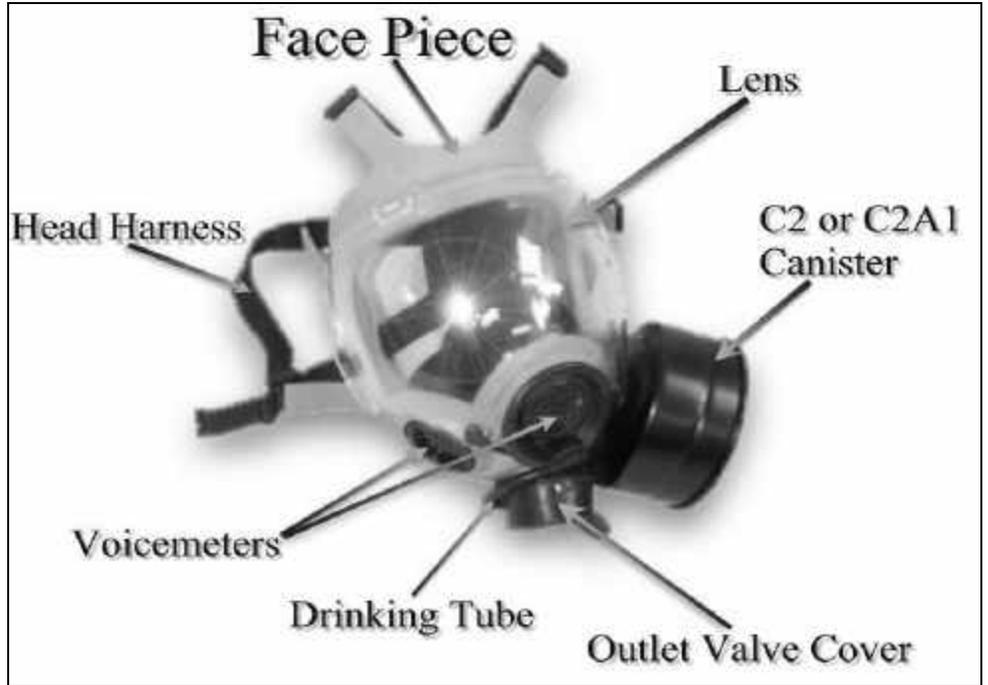
Note: Prior to inspecting the mask, it is recommended that you remove the hood from the mask.

FACEPIECE: Ensure the facepiece is not cracked or deteriorated. Condemn mask if the discrepancies can not be fixed.

LENS : Ensure the lens is free from stains that would prevent normal vision. Then check for excessive scratches, cracks, or punctures. Also check to make sure the lens is not separated from the mask. Condemn the mask if the discrepancies can not be fixed.

OUTSERTS : Ensure the outsert is free from stains that would prevent normal vision. Then check for excessive scratches, or cracks. Replace the outsert if it can not be fixed.

HEAD HARNESS: Ensure the head harness has not lost its elasticity or has been torn. Buckles must hold head harness straps tight. Also check for surface dirt, mildew, fraying, or metal clips that are missing on end of straps. Replace



the harness if it can not be fixed.

Skull Cap The skull cap is an optional item that replaces the original head harness. Ensure the skull-cap harness has elasticity and is not torn, this may prevent a proper seal. Replace the skull cap if it can not be fixed.

C2 CANISTER: Check canister for cracks, dents, or holes around the seams, dirt clogging the air intake, and for damaged threads. Replace the canister if it can not be fixed.

MCU-2A/P Protective Mask Inspection and Documentation

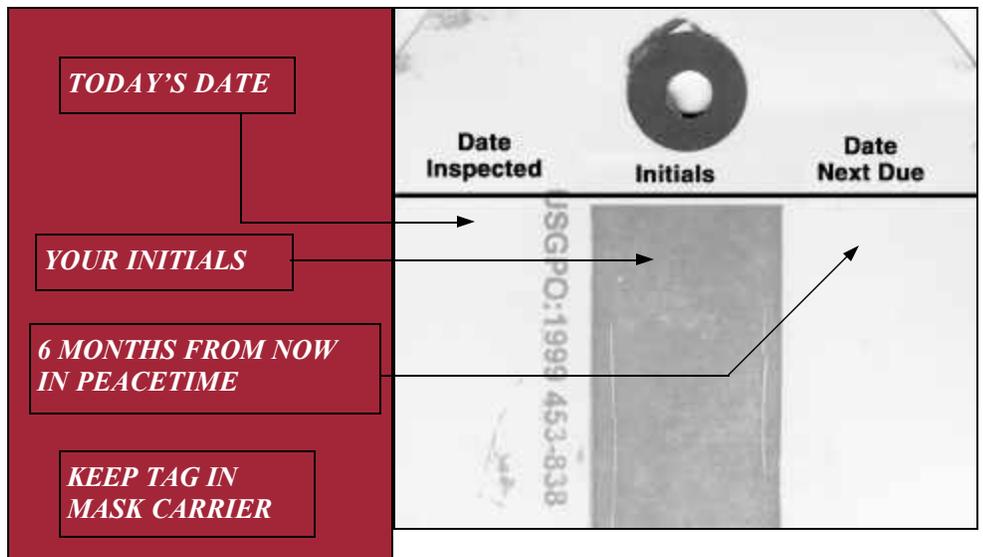
•Document the inspection on the back of the tag as shown.

•Keep the tag in the mask carrier, on the inside pocket of the carrier. It is recommended that you also keep this handout with the tag.

FOLDING: For your mask to properly fit into your mask carrier, and ready to don quickly, it is important that it is properly prepared and folded. This is accomplished by holding the mask in the palm of your hand lens down, and positioned as if your were going to don it. Now raise the back of hood up and over face of mask. Then reverse the head harness over the face of mask. Be sure to adjust and straighten the head harness to prevent them from being twisted. Fold the sides of hood so that it crosses over the outlet valve. Tuck underarm straps into “V” at outlet valve. Raise folded hood up covering the head

harness and eyelens outsert. Stow mask as outlined below.

STOWAGE: Holding the top of the mask with your right hand, lens pointing away from you (being careful not to let the hood fall.), slide the mask into the carrier. This must be done chin first, canister up and toward the back of the carrier. Position mask so that it completely fits within the carrier, then close the flap .





SATURDAY

BBQ CHICKEN
 CORN ON THE COB
 SALT POTATOES
 SALAD BAR
 FAST FOOD LINE

SUNDAY

SUB SANDWICHES
 MACARONI SALAD
 POTATO SALAD
 FAST FOOD
 ICE CREAM

Meal Counters: Report at 1000
 Saturday CES Sunday LSF



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 25 July
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Completing the DD Form 1574

Complete the DD Form 1574 Serviceability Tag using the sample below.

- Enter the correct NSN based on the mask size (In the sample above, the stock numbers are listed by size. Match it with the size embossed on your mask, then enter the appropriate NSN.)
- Record the mask size (The mask will be marked with either an S, M, or L on the forehead area of the facepiece.)

- Record the mask lot number (The Mask lot number is stenciled on one of the mask neck straps, they are usually in blue ink on the left side of the mask as it faces you.)
- Record the canister lot number. (The canister lot number is found on the side of the canister.)
- Record the date the canister was installed. (If the date is unknown enter this date one year ago from today's date. This will make it unserviceable for operational use.)

WARNING: Unauthorized persons removing, defacing, or destroying this tag may be subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than one year or both. (18 USC 1361)	FSN, PART NO. AND ITEM DESCRIPTION NSN:(Based On Size) Small: 4240-01-284-3615 Medium: 4240-01-284-3616 Large: 4240-01-284-3617		SERVICEABLE TAG-MATERIEL		
	MCU-2/P Mask Sizes: (S, M, L)		NEXT INSPECTION DUE/OVER-AGE DATE SEE REVERSE	CONDITION CODE A	
	SERIAL NUMBER/LOT NUMBER (Found On Mask Neck Strap)		UNIT OF ISSUE EA	INSPECTION ACTIVITY YOUR UNIT	
	CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER NO. N/A		QUANTITY 1	INSPECTOR'S NAME OR STAMP AND DATE (PRINT YOUR NAME) (SIGN YOUR NAME)	
	REMARKS DATE CANISTER INSTALLED: CANISTER LOT #: (Lot # Is On Side Of Canister)				

Pirro Honored By Central New York ESGR

By Maj. Kate Vaughan, 174th FW, Community Manager



Onondaga County Executive Nicolas J. Pirro (right foreground) receives the New York State Pro Patria Award from Mike Waters and Dave Duffy

Onondaga County Executive Nicholas J. Pirro was honored on 30 May as New York State's outstanding employer of members of the National Guard and Reserves. Mr. Pirro was presented with the Pro Patria Award during our monthly Barbara Aronson Community Relations Luncheon in the Base Dining Facility.

Mr. Pirro has been a long time visible supporter for local reserve component organizations. He was a member of the

174th Tactical Fighter Group and deployed with the unit to Phalsbourg, France during the 1961 Berlin Crisis.

During Desert Shield, he regularly interrupted his schedule to meet with deploying unit members before they departed and again when they returned. He presented the deploying First Sgt. with a large county flag that was flown in Saudi and now is proudly displayed in Mr. Pirro's office.

The Department of Defense limits the Pro Patria Award to one per state each year. The State Committee, chaired by Maj. David Duffy USMCR (Retired), unanimously selected Mr. Pirro for his outstanding patriotism and dedication to the men and women who serve. If you see Mr. Pirro, please wish him a hearty congratulations on earning this prestigious award.

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