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MEMORANDUM FOR ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY FOR
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ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE FOR
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SUBJECT: Full-Time National Guard Duty Qualifying for a Reduced Eligibility Age for
Receipt of Non-Regular Retired Pay in Calendar Year 2021

- References: (a) DoD Instruction 1215.07, "Service Credit for Non-Regular Retirement," July 30, 2019
(b) Proclamation 7463, "Declaration of National Emergency by Reason of Certain Terrorist Attacks," September 14, 2001
(c) Proclamation 9994, "Declaring a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak," March 13, 2020
(d) Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) Memorandum, "Personnel Guidance for National Guard Support to Post-Inaugural Security in the District of Columbia," February 16, 2021

Pursuant to paragraph 3.5.e. of reference (a), I have determined that full-time National Guard duty (FTNGD) performed at the National Special Security Events (NSSEs) listed below in a title 32, United States Code (U.S.C.), section 502(f), duty status was for the purpose of deterring or responding to acts of terrorism in response to the national emergency declared in reference (b). Such FTNGD, therefore, satisfies the requirements of title 10, U.S.C., section 12731(f)(2)(B)(ii). Accordingly, I designate any such FTNGD as qualifying service for the purpose of reducing the eligibility age for receipt of non-regular retired pay under title 10, U.S.C., section 12731(f)(2)(A). The qualifying NSSEs are:

2021 Presidential Inauguration (non-ceremonial duties)
2021 Presidential Address to Congress
2021 76th United Nations General Assembly

Additionally, I have determined that FTNGD performed in a title 32, U.S.C., section 502(f), duty status in response to the national emergency declared in reference (c) satisfies the requirements of title 10, U.S.C., section 12731(f)(2)(B)(ii). Accordingly, I designate any such FTNGD as qualifying service for the purpose of reducing the eligibility age for receipt of non-regular retired pay under title 10, U.S.C., section 12731(f)(2)(A).

Finally, in reference (d), the determination was made that FTNGD performed in a title 32, U.S.C., section 502(f), duty status in support of post-inaugural security in the District of Columbia was for the purpose of deterring or responding to acts of terrorism in response to the national emergency declared in reference (b). Such FTNGD, therefore, satisfies the requirements of title 10, U.S.C., section 12731(f)(2)(B)(ii), and any such FTNGD was designated

as qualifying service for the purpose of reducing the eligibility age for receipt of non-regular retired pay under title 10, U.S.C., section 12731(f)(2)(A).

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