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FORCE POLICY LETTER 4-01

From: Commander, Marine Forces Reserve
To: General Officers
Commanding Officers
Officers in Charge
Inspector-Instructors

Subj: MY INTENT FOR EQUIPMENT READINESS OF OUR FORCES FOR
ACTIVATION AND DEPLOYMENT

1. Our mission today as a Force is the same as it has always been - to augment and reinforce the active component forces of our Corps. Our professionalism and effectiveness in executing that mission will be judged by our Corps and by the Nation each and every time one of our units report to a gaining force commander for employment as part of his forces.
2. Our current Mobilization Plan is based in part on the assumption that we would activate and deploy units to active force CONUS locations first. There, unit T/As would be rounded out by the gaining force commander with his remain behind equipment and, as required, with equipment from "stores" at our Logistics Bases. As this process was completed, the gaining force commander would move these augmenting/reinforcing forces into his overseas theater of operation. In our present situation, the theater of operation for our forces is CONUS, and the gaining force commander(s) have no RBE with which to round out our T/Es. Clearly, we all have a stake in the success of our reserve forces; just as clearly, we all have a stake in resolving T/A "delta" issues.
3. We are currently in the process of activating and deploying a relatively small number of our forces. I believe we will activate and deploy more units as the situation develops. Our material readiness to do so, quickly and efficiently, is crucial. To that end, my intent for your planning and preparation is as follows:

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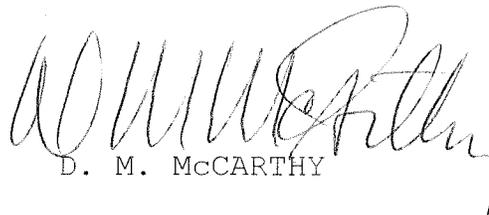
a. You will be prepared to deploy with your complete, current Table of Allowance.

b. You will accurately identify your SAC-3 deficiencies to your higher headquarters. The Major Subordinate Command staffs will validate these deficiencies and pass them to my staff for appropriate action. They will be filled in a priority consistent with my force mobilization requirements and activation timelines.

c. Any "delta" between your T/A and the T/E required for your mission by the gaining force commander will be identified as early as possible in the force activation planning cycle. The sourcing of that "delta" will be coordinated between my staff and my MSC headquarters, the gaining force commander and Materiel Command. No potential source of equipment can or will be labeled "out of bounds".

d. Filling a unit T/A deficiency or a T/A -T/E "delta" using another MarForRes unit's on-hand equipment will require General Officer endorsements to me for review and approval prior to any record transfer or movement of the equipment.

4. My endstate is to provide our active force commanders with mission ready Marine forces, expeditiously and efficiently. Proceed accordingly!


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