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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

March 14, 2013

Directorate of Human Resources, Military Personnel Division

Dear Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield Region Army Retirees,

As you are aware, our Nation is currently facing fiscal issues which present challenges to our active duty and retiree populations. First, as you know fiscal sequestration was implemented on 1 March which cut approximately $45 billion from the Department of Defense for the remainder of FY 2013. The depth of the cuts to installations varies but at Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield, the estimated impact is approximately $56 million. While our planning efforts are still in progress, some of the actions taken to date to address the financial situation include: TDYs by exception only, a 50% reduction in civilian overtime, reduced facility maintenance and furlough planning for the civilian workforce.

While civilian furloughs are not a desirable course of action, we continue to plan for such an outcome. The impact of a civilian furlough not only affects our employees but also those who rely on their day-to-day support. My goal is to minimize the impact of this action on our community to the greatest extent possible. For our organizations, this equates to a 20% cut in manpower every week across the spectrum of support: ID cards, vehicle registration, Commissary, and medical to name a few. My commitment to you is to continue to provide the best support possible given the circumstances, but at the same time solicit your understanding as we work through these constraints.

To capitalize on fiscal resources, I have assessed a range of options. An alternative is to defer the currently planned May 2013 RAD in Orlando, Florida, until later in the year when our financial outlook becomes clear and pursue partnering opportunities with other military organizations in the region.

I appreciate all you do each and every day and thank you for your service to our Nation. My points of contact are: Mr. Tom Allmon Director Human Resources, 912-767-1394 or thomas.a.allmon.civ@mail.mil or Mr. David Southerland, Chief, Military Personnel Division, 912-767-5253 or david.a.southerland.civ@mail.mil or Ms. Karen Smith, Retirements Branch Chief, 912-767-5013 or lyndia.k.smith.civ@mail.mil.

Sincerely,

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