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CASCOM POLICY 18-20

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: United States Army Combined Arms Support Command Policy
Memorandum – Authority to Purchase and Present Military Coins

1. REFERENCES.

- a. Title 5, United States Code, Section 4503, Agency Awards.
- b. Title 10, United States Code, Section 1125, Recognition for Accomplishments: Award of Trophies.
- c. Army Regulation (AR) 37-47, Official Representation Funds of the Secretary of the Army, 18 September 2012.
- d. AR 600-8-22, Military Awards, 25 June 2015.
- e. AR 672-20, Incentive Awards, 1 April 2014.
- f. Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) Regulation 672-6, Military Coins, 6 February 2001.

2. PURPOSE. This policy establishes the authority, policy, and procedures for the purchase and presentation of military coins within U.S. Army Combined Arms Support Command (CASCOM). This policy reflects DA policy that established a goal of a 25 percent reduction in total coin expenditures during Fiscal Year 2015, and continues through the current fiscal year. Given the continuing funding uncertainty for the remaining sequestration years, the total expenditures for coins established pursuant to this policy should continue to reflect wise stewardship of the funds entrusted to this command. All previous CASCOM delegations and presentations are rescinded and superseded by this policy memorandum.

3. DEFINITION AND SCOPE. Military coins are commercially or custom-minted coins or medallions, purchased with appropriated or working capital funds, which reflect the name of a military command or organization, its insignia, and/or the position or title of the Commander or Director responsible to execute the mission of the command or organization.

- a. This policy does not apply to the purchase and presentation of coins or medallions purchased with Official Representation Funds, private organization and/or non-Government funds, or individual personal funds.

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b. Coins minted to acknowledge recruitment and retention recognition, which specifically reflect that purpose in their design, wording, and purchased with recruitment and retention funds for that purpose, are not within the scope of this policy.

4. MILITARY COIN AUTHORITY. Pursuant to the above referenced authorities, the CASCOM Commanding General is authorized to establish a military coin for his/her command or as an informal supplementary recognition device:

5. DELEGATION OF COIN ESTABLISHMENT AND PURCHASE AUTHORITY.

a. The CASCOM Commanding General may, subject to the policy limitations herein, delegate authority to establish and purchase coins as a supplemental recognition device to O-5 and above Commanders within their command and to their Deputy to the Commanding General and Command Sergeant Major positions. This authority may not be re-delegated.

b. No staff section may be delegated authority to establish a military coin or coin-based supplemental recognition program.

6. PURCHASE AUTHORITY LIMITATIONS. Commanders authorized to establish a coin as a supplemental recognition device are authorized to use their appropriated or working capital operating funds to purchase military coins. Military Coin purchases are subject to the following limitations:

a. All military coin purchases shall be executed in accordance with applicable CASCOM funding policies, DA Government Purchase Card Operating Procedures, and applicable procurement authorities.

b. Military coins procured with appropriated or working capital operating funds may not include the authorized individual's name.

c. Military coins are supplemental recognition awards. To that end, military coins will bear an inscription identifying it as an award, such as "For Excellence" or "In Recognition of Outstanding Performance." Coins purchased prior to the effective date of this policy that do not bear an appropriate inscription may continue to be awarded until supplies are exhausted.

7. PROTOCOL / CRITERIA FOR AWARD.

a. Coins may be presented to Department of the Army personnel to:

(1) Recognize excellence in an Army competition or similar activity (in accordance with (IAW) ARs 600-8-22 and 672-20.

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(2) Recognize a unique accomplishment that furthers the efficiency and effectiveness of the Army's mission IAW ARs 600-8-22 and 672-20.

b. Coins may be presented to non-DA personnel as honorary awards for services or accomplishment that significantly assists or supports Army functions, services, or operations IAW DOD Manual 1400.25-M, Chapter 400, subchapter 451, section O.


c. Military coins will not be given away as mementos and should not be presented merely for an individual's normal performance of assigned duties.

d. Commanders/Commandants of units or organizations authorized to purchase coins may permit subordinates in the organization to present coins on behalf of the unit or organization.

8. Nothing in this policy prohibits individuals from presenting and purchasing similar coins with personal funds or for authorized individuals to issue a more restrictive coin policy.

9. This policy is in effect until superseded or rescinded

10. Point of contact for this policy is the Secretary of the General Staff at 804-734-1616.



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