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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
SECRETARY OF THE NAVY  
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SUBJECT: Suspension of Statutory Requirements for Personnel Tempo  
(PERSTEMPO) Management

Section 991(d) of Title 10, United States Code (U.S.C.), authorizes the suspension of certain PERSTEMPO management constraints if required by national security interests. In an effort to ensure uniform application of this authority in the wake of September 11 attacks and Executive Order 13223, I hereby suspend until further notice the applicability of 10 U.S.C. §991 in determining per diem payments under 37 U.S.C. §436. I direct that each addressee implement this decision within his Military Department. As a matter of policy, the Services must continue tracking and reporting requirements set forth in 10 U.S.C. §991(c), as implemented by *PERSTEMPO Interim Guidance* in accordance with Enclosure 5 of DoD Instruction 1336.5.

Effective immediately, the accumulation of deployment days for purposes of determining eligibility for high deployment per diem is suspended. Likewise, the requirement for general and flag officers to personally manage the deployments of certain members under 10 U.S.C. §991(a) is suspended. The requirement to continue with tracking and reporting is important since past operations have proven that such data collection is valuable in developing after action reports, replying to queries, or accomplishing analyses relating to the scope of operations.

With regard to Department of Navy, I support accelerated adoption of Enhanced Career Sea Pay to commence at the earliest practicable date. Supplemental funding for FY 2002 will be provided for Navy (\$150M) and Marine Corps (\$3.8M) to achieve that end.

cc: Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

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