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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Command Policy Letter #10, Withholding of Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), Administrative Actions, and General Officer Memorandum of Reprimand (GOMOR) Authority

1. Purpose. This memorandum establishes Fort bliss policy on the withholding of UCMJ, administrative actions, and GOMOR authority. All Fort Bliss regulations, circulars, and policy memoranda are superseded to the extent that they conflict with this policy.
2. Applicability. This policy applies to all Active Army, Army National Guard (ARNG), and U.S. Army Reserve (USAR) Soldiers on active duty, inactive duty training, or in a duty status under Title 10, U.S. Code, who are assigned to, attached to, or performing duties at Fort Bliss.
3. Notification. Any misconduct alleged against an Officer or Soldier in the grade of E-8 or above will be reported, in writing, directly to the Commanding General (CG), Fort Bliss, within 72 hours after discovery by the chain of command using the Serious Incident Report (SIR) format. The SIR will be sent to the Deputy Commander, the Chief of Staff, the Staff Judge Advocate (SJA), and to me. At the appropriate time after the allegations have been investigated, commanders will make recommendations as to disposition of case through the chain of command to me. These recommendations, which may include disposition by subordinate commanders or supervisors, will include all supporting evidence, the chain of command's recommendations, the Soldier's Officer or Enlisted Record Brief, and the Soldier's last evaluation report. The case will be processed through the SJA, who will present it to me.
4. Officers and Senior Noncommissioned Officers. Except as otherwise specified, in my capacity as the CG and General Court-Martial Convening Authority (GCMCA) for Fort Bliss, I withhold the authority to dispose of all cases involving allegations of misconduct against Officers and Soldiers in the grade of E-8 and above, to the GCMCA level and to the CGs of William Beaumont Army Medical Center, the Brigade Modernization Command, the 32d Army Air and Missile Defense Command, and Joint Task Force – North, for such cases arising under their respective commands. The disposition of these cases withheld under this paragraph applies to adverse administrative actions and any action taken under the UCMJ pursuant to such allegations, as well as the discretion to take no action or to allow a subordinate commander to

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dispose of the misconduct. This policy does not apply to developmental or minor transgression counseling.

5. GOMORs. General Officers may issue and file GOMORs against their subordinates. General Officers may not delegate the authority granted in this paragraph.

6. Other Withholdings. As the GCMCA, I withhold to Special Court-Martial Convening Authorities (SPCMCA) and each General Officer listed in paragraph 4, the authority to dispose of all allegations of misconduct against E-7s, all allegations involving firearms to include failure to register a firearm (except for such cases involving allegations against Officers and Soldiers in the grade of E-8 and above, or those cases specifically withheld by me), and all allegations of a second or subsequent offense of domestic abuse. I also withhold disposition of cases involving allegations of drug- or alcohol-related misconduct as well as domestic abuse to the Summary Court-Martial Convening Authorities (except for such cases involving allegations against Officers and Soldiers in the grade of E-8 and above, or those cases specifically withheld by me or by the SPCMCA). The authority to dispose of a case includes the discretion to take no action or to allow a subordinate to resolve it.

7. Supplementation and Effect. Units may not supplement this policy memorandum. Actions taken in violation of this policy are invalid at my option. This policy is effective upon signature and will remain in effect until superseded or rescinded. The point of contact for this policy is the installation Officer or the Staff Judge Advocate at 568-4606.



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