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## DOD REVISIONS TO POLICY ON SEPARATION FOR HOMOSEXUAL CONDUCT

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NARR/REF A IS SECDEF MEMO, REVISIONS TO REGULATIONS IMPLEMENTING 10 U.S.C. SECTION 654. REF B IS MARADMIN 184/10, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD) AMENDMENTS TO POLICY ON SEPARATION FOR HOMOSEXUAL CONDUCT. REF C IS MCO P1900.16F W/CH 2, MARINE CORPS SEPARATION AND RETIREMENT MANUAL.//

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GENTEXT/REMARKS/1. REF A, EFFECTIVE 25 MAR 10, WAS ISSUED TO REVISE REGULATIONS IMPLEMENTING 10 U.S.C. SECTION 654. REF B ANNOUNCED THE POLICY AMENDMENTS FOR SEPARATION BASED ON HOMOSEXUAL CONDUCT. THIS MARADMIN INFORMS COMMANDS OF REVISIONS TO REF C.

- 2. THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS AND APPENDIX L HAVE BEEN REVISED TO REFLECT THE REVISIONS: PARAGRAPH 1002.27, PAGE 1-6, PARAGRAPH 1002.42, PAGE 1-7, PARAGRAPH 1002.56, PAGE 1-9, PARAGRAPH 4103.3, PAGE 4-4, PARAGRAPH 6207, PAGE 6-23. THESE REVISIONS INCREASE THE SENIORITY OF THE COMMANDER AUTHORIZED TO INITIATE INQUIRIES AND SEPARATION PROCEEDINGS REGARDING HOMOSEXUAL CONDUCT, REVISE WHAT CONSTITUTES "CREDIBLE INFORMATION," AND PROVIDE FURTHER DIRECTION ON THE CATEGORIES OF INFORMATION THAT CANNOT BE USED FOR PURPOSES OF HOMOSEXUAL DISCHARGES. THESE REVISIONS ARE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND SHALL APPLY TO ALL OPEN AND FUTURE FACT-FINDING INQUIRIES AND SEPARATION PROCEEDINGS. COMMANDERS SHALL CONSULT WITH A JUDGE ADVOCATE PRIOR TO TAKING ACTION ON PENDING FACT-FINDING INQUIRIES AND SEPARATIONS. FOR PENDING CASES, THE MEMBER MAY WAIVE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES ANNOUNCED UNDER REFERENCE A:
- (A): (1) THE MINIMUM GRADE REQUIRED FOR THE OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO INITIATE A FACT-FINDING INQUIRY, AND/OR(2) FOR ENLISTED MEMBERS, THE MINIMUM GRADE REQUIREMENT FOR THE OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO INITIATE ASEPARATION PROCEEDING. THESE REVISIONS DO NOT APPLY TO SEPARATED MARINES.
- 3. A MARINE CORPS BULLETIN REVISING THE PARAGRAPHS IS POSTED ON THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE: HTTP:WWW.MARINES.MIL/NEWS/PUBLICATIONS/PAGES/DEFAULT.ASPX
- 4. THIS MARADMIN IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL CHANGES ARE INCORPORATED INTO REF C.
- 5. RELEASE AUTHORIZED BY BGEN A. SALINAS, DIRECTOR, MANPOWER MANAGEMENT DIVISION.//

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