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RHHMUNA/USCINCPAC HONOLULU HI//JO1/J1//
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RUPEUNA/USCINCSPACE PETERSON AFB CO//UD/J1//
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SUBJ/AWARD OF THE ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL (AFEM) OR ARMED FORCES SERVICE MEDAL (AFSM) AS AN EXTENSION TO SECTION 572 OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT OF FY 1998 TO OPERATION JOINT FORGE (OJF) IN THE FORMER REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA (FRY).//
REF/A/JT STAFF MSG 101530Z OCT 97//
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AMPN/REF A ANNOUNCED THE TERMINATION OF THE AFSM FOR OPERATION JOINT ENDEAVOR (OJE)(11/20/95 - 12/19/96), AND AWARD OF THE AFSM TO OPERATION JOINT GUARD (OJG) (12/20/96 - 6/20/98)//
AMPN/REF B ANNOUNCED THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 572 OF THE FY98 NDAA WITH THE AWARD OF THE AFEM IN ADDITION TO THE AFSM AWARDED BY REF A, TO ONLY CERTAIN PARTICIPANTS OF OJE AND OJG AS A ONE-TIME EXCEPTION TO DOD AND SERVICE POLICIES. THE ONE-TIME EXCEPTION IS TO PERMIT THE AWARD OF TWO MEDALS FOR THE SAME OPERATION AND PERIOD OF SERVICE. //
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1. THIS MESSAGE ANNOUNCES THE EXTENSION OF SECTION 572 OF THE FY98 NDAA TO ALLOW THE AWARD OF EITHER THE AFEM OR AFSM BUT NOT BOTH TO PARTICIPANTS OF OJF (6/21/98 - TO A DATE TO BE DETERMINED).
2. THE AWARD OF THE AFEM IS LIMITED TO ONLY THOSE PARTICIPANTS IN OR PROVIDING DIRECT SUPPORT TO OJF WHO ARE/WERE DEPLOYED IN THE COUNTRIES OF BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA AND CROATIA, ABOARD US NAVAL VESSELS OPERATING IN THE ADRIATIC SEA, AND THESE RESPECTIVE AIR SPACES.

3. THE AWARD OF THE AFSM IS LIMITED TO ONLY THOSE PARTICIPANTS IN OR PROVIDING DIRECT SUPPORT TO OJF WHO ARE/WERE DEPLOYED IN SLOVENIA, MONTENEGRO, MACEDONIA, SERBIA, AND HUNGARY; AND THEIR RESPECTIVE AIR SPACES.
4. UNLIKE OJE AND OJG, NO INDIVIDUAL WILL BE AWARDED THE AFEM AND THE AFSM FOR PARTICIPATION OR DIRECT SUPPORT OF OJF UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.
5. TO QUALIFY FOR THE AFEM US SERVICE MEMBERS MUST BE BONA FIDE MEMBERS OF A UNIT OR AS AN INDIVIDUAL DEPLOYED ON OFFICIAL ORDERS, AND BE PARTICIPATING IN OR IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF OJF WITHIN THE AREA OF ELIGIBILITY STATED IN PAR. 2 ABOVE FOR 30 CONSECUTIVE OR 60 NONCONSECUTIVE DAYS; OR PARTICIPATE AS A REGULARLY ASSIGNED CREW MEMBER OF AN AIRCRAFT FLYING INTO OR OVER THE TOTAL LAND AREA OF BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA AND CROATIA, ADRIATIC SEA AND THESE RESPECTIVE AIR SPACES.
6. TO QUALIFY FOR THE AFSM FOR OJF US SERVICE MEMBERS MUST BE BONA FIDE MEMBERS OF A UNIT PARTICIPATING IN OJF WITHIN THE DESIGNATED AOE AS DEFINED IN PAR 3 ABOVE OR MEET ONE/MORE OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA (A) BE DEPLOYED IN THE AOE BY OFFICIAL ORDERS TO OJF FOR 30 CONSECUTIVE DAYS OR 60 NONCONSECUTIVE DAYS; (B) PARTICIPATE AS A REGULARLY ASSIGNED CREW MEMBER OF AN AIRCRAFT FLYING INTO, WITHIN, OR OVER THE AOE LAND AREA AND THEIR RESPECTIVE AIR SPACES.
7. THE AFEM AND AFSM ARE CAMPAIGN /THEATER AWARDS. ALL SERVICE MEMBERS ARE AUTHORIZED ONLY ONE AWARD OF THE AFEM OR AFSM FOR SERVICE IN OJE, OJG, OR OJF (NO BRONZE SERVICE STARS ARE AUTHORIZED FOR THESE FORMER REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA OPERATIONS).
8. REQUESTS OR QUESTIONS ON ELIGIBILITY FOR AWARD OF THE AFEM OR AFSM FOR OJF SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO HQ USEUCOM (ECJ1- AAD) GERMANY, AT DSN 314-430-7169 OR THROUGH EUCOM WEB PAGE:
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