STOP MOVEMENT and Concurrent Travel Guidance Related to Travel Restrictions due to the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) - (Supersedes Previous Guidance-- Updates as of 18 March 2020)

Applicable to: Total Force

\*\*\* CONUS to CONUS (to include AK, HI and U.S. territories) travel is NOT authorized at this time. For the purpose of this message, the United States and its territories is not considered a Level 2 (COVID-19) location. \*\*\*

Please distribute to LRS and CPTS.

## **Stop Movement for PCS, TDYs, Contingency Deployments, and Leave.**

For Civilian-specific guidance, to include movement, recruiting actions, telework, leave, and duty status, refer to <u>https://mypers.af.mil/app/answers/detail/a\_id/46583</u>. Civilian personnel movement execution guidance will be forthcoming and will be transmitted to the civilian personnel offices.

**(UPDATED 18 March 2020)** For Non-Appropriated Funds (NAF) employee inquiries please submit through myPers via <u>https://mypers.af.mil/app/categories/c/3204/p/2569</u> so the team can capture inquires and responses.

For Air National Guard specific guidance, contact the ANG Command Center at DSN: 612-6001 or commercial (240) 612-6001.

- (UPDATED 18 March 2020) Exceptions to 16 March guidance: Individuals who have already initiated CONUS-to-CONUS (to include AK, HI and U.S. territories) travel (including intermediate stops) are authorized to continue to their final destination. Individuals who have already initiated OCONUS-to-CONUS (to include AK, HI and U.S. territories) travel (including intermediate stops) are authorized to continue to their final CONUS (to include AK, HI and U.S. territories) destination but must not transit Level 3 (COVID-19) locations. Those whose TDY ends while this memorandum is in effect are authorized to return to their CONUS (to include AK, HI and U.S. territories) or OCONUS Level 2 (COVID-19) home station but must not transit Level 3 (COVID-19) locations. This does not apply to individuals who are currently in or returning to Level 3 (COVID-19) designated locations.
- 2. (UPDATED 18 March 2020) OCONUS Level 2 (COVID-19) Guidance: PCS Travel from CONUS (to include AK, HI and U.S. territories) to OCONUS Level 2 (COVID-19) and from OCONUS Level 2 (COVID-19) to CONUS is authorized and must be in accordance with travel screening protocol in Attachment 3. Concurrent Travel to OCONUS Level 2(COVID-19) is not approved (see Part II for Concurrent Travel guidance). Airmen PCSing from an OCONUS Level 2 (COVID-19) to CONUS (to include AK, HI and U.S. territories) are authorized return with dependents. Additionally, Airmen assigned to an OCONUS Level 2 (COVID-19) locations who are currently in a TDY or leave status

in CONUS (to include AK, HI and U.S. territories) are permitted to return to home station in accordance with travel screening protocols in Attachment 3.

#### 3. TDY or Leave:

- A. (UPDATED 18 March 2020) Leave: Until the prescribed domestic travel restrictions are lifted, military Airmen stationed in CONUS (to include AK, HI and U.S. territories) are only authorized local leave in accordance with AFI 36-3003, and local leave policies (see Attachment 9). This also applies to Regular and Special Pass (i.e. weekends) situations. Exceptions to this are outlined in paragraph 6 below.
- B. TDY or Leave to or from Level 3 (COVID-19) Designated Locations: Military Airmen with a projected TDY or Leave to or from a Level 3 (COVID-19) designated location will not proceed. Airmen currently assigned to a Level 3 (COVID-19) location and are at or enroute to or from their TDY or leave cannot return to their Level 3 (COVID-19) location until further guidance is available. Upon member returning to home station, leave dates and duty status codes will be adjusted accordingly to ensure Airmen are not inappropriately charged additional leave.
- C. Authorized travelers will adhere to the Force Health Protection guidelines in Attachment 3 and later guidance, if any.
- D. Exceptions to this guidance is outlined in paragraph 6 below.

#### 4. Exemptions and Exceptions to this Guidance:

- a. . (UPDATED 18 March 2020) Accessions, Basic Military Training and Technical Training Student/Graduate Travel: Travel in accordance with these guidelines is authorized for Airmen (officer and enlisted) being accessed into the Regular Air Force. IAW 2 AF/CC NOTAM 20-003 (Attachment 6), Basic Military Training students and technical training students must move to their next duty stations upon completion of training. All technical training graduates will continue to out-process and travel to their first duty station. Losing organizations will coordinate with gaining units on any specific mitigation requirements. Graduates who have assignments to OCONUS Level 2 (COVID-19) designated locations may be diverted as this situation evolves. Graduates who have assignments to Level 3 (COVID-19) designated locations will be diverted.
- b. (ADDED 18 March 2020) AETC will continue to recruit and access Airmen; train candidates and enlistees in Officer Training School, ROTC and Basic Military Training; develop Airmen in Technical and Flying Training; and deliver advanced academic education such as the School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Air Command and Staff College and Air War College. AETC/CC has determined that this AETC training is mission essential. Therefore, Airmen (officer and enlisted) assigned to these AETC training courses are mission essential and must travel to/from this training. Upon graduation from this training, Airmen must move to their next duty station or follow-on training pursuant to travel guidelines. Airmen do not require an exception to policy to attend the aforementioned training. Please see Attachment 10.

## **Concurrent Travel**

### 1. (UPDATED 18 March 2020) Effective 13 March 2020 and for the 60 days thereafter:

Concurrent official travel for family members of Total Force Military is denied to CDC Travel Health Notices OCONUS Level 2 (COVID-19) designated locations as depicted at Attachment 1. This concurrent travel guidance restricts family members from traveling concurrently with the military or civilian sponsor.

# 2. (UPDATED 18 March 2020) PCS Concurrent Travel guidance for Military Airmen going to Overseas Countries designated as OCONUS Level 2:

- A. Family member travel delayed for 'Less than 20 Weeks': For Airmen currently at a CONUS location, MPFs will adjust the Airman's PCS orders, *AF Form 899*, the following: Check Item 13c to depict dependent travel is restricted for Less than 20 weeks and cite the Secretary of Defense memo dated 11 March 2020. Additionally, in item 22, Remarks, add the statement, "Dependent travel to (list OCONUS Level 2 O/S country) at government expense is not authorized until travel restrictions are lifted." Once dependent travel restrictions are lifted, amendments will be issued authorizing dependent travel. Airmen currently assigned overseas must seek guidance for PCS options according to the applicable guidance for the country assigned.
- B. Hardship Requests: If Airmen have a hardship based on the concurrent travel policy and desire to request a RNLTD, DEROS or assignment diversion, MPFs will assist the Airmen with submitting the request. The Airman's commander must endorse the request. MPFs will submit the member's request with justification and commander's endorsement to afpc.dp3am.workflow@us.af.mil.
- C. **C. Exceptions to this Guidance:** Requests for exception should follow guidance in Part I, paragraph 6.H. above. Individuals traveling under an exception or exemption, including those traveling as part of a Department of State-issued Authorized Departure, are subject to travel screening protocols as provided in Attachment 3.