

SUBJECT: PROGRAM GUIDANCE ANNOUNCEMENT FOR AFROTC TO AIR RESERVE COMPONENT VOLUNTARY TRANSFERS

THIS IS AN AF/A1 MESSAGE IMMEDIATELY APPLICABLE TO AFROTC CADETS WITHIN THE PROFESSIONAL OFFICER COURSE COMMISSIONING IN FY2011 AND FY2012. IT ANNOUNCES A VOLUNTARY AIR FORCE PROGRAM PROVIDING THESE CADETS THE OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT TO COMMISSION INTO THE AIR NATIONAL GUARD INSTEAD OF THE ACTIVE DUTY AIR FORCE.

1. ELIGIBILITY. ALL AFROTC CADETS PROGRAMMED TO COMMISSION IN FY11 ARE CURRENTLY ELIGIBLE AND MAY APPLY IMMEDIATELY FOR THIS PROGRAM WITH THE EXCEPTION OF CADETS MAJORING IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AND METEOROLOGY; CADETS IN THE EDUCATION DELAY PROGRAM, GRADUATE LAW PROGRAM, OR ONE YEAR COLLEGE PROGRAM (AFI 51-101) OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS; AND CADETS IN HEALTH PROFESSIONS AND THOSE WITH PRE-HEALTH DESIGNATIONS. FOR CADETS GRADUATING IN FY12, RESTRICTED CAREER FIELDS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO CHANGING NEEDS OF THE AIR FORCE AND THEY MAY APPLY STARTING IN JUNE 2011.

2. OPPORTUNITIES. AFROTC CADETS MAY VOLUNTEER AND COMPETE FOR POSITIONS IN THE AIR NATIONAL GUARD. THESE POSITIONS ARE BY AFSC AND LOCATION. REFER TO WEBSITE TO VIEW A CURRENT LIST OF VACANCIES. THESE OPPORTUNITIES ARE "TRADITIONAL" AIR NATIONAL GUARD PART-TIME POSITIONS.

3. CONTACT INFORMATION. FOR INFORMATION REGARDING THE AIR NATIONAL GUARD, CADETS SHOULD CONTACT THE ANG PROGRAM MANAGER, MAJOR STAN SEBASTIAN AT EMAIL ADDRESS STANLEY.SEBASTIAN@ANG.AF.MIL OR PHONE NUMBER 703-607-5933.

4. SELECTION. AFROTC CADETS QUALIFY TO COMPETE FOR THE POSITIONS ON THE AIR NATIONAL GUARD LIST. (REFER TO WEBSITE FOR LINK OF OFFICER POSITIONS) THAT SAID, THESE POSITIONS HAVE NOT BEEN SET-ASIDE SPECIFICALLY FOR AFROTC CADETS AND VOLUNTEERS WILL COMPETE WITH OFFICERS SEPARATING FROM ACTIVE DUTY AND CURRENTLY SERVING GUARDSMEN WHO ARE ALSO INTERESTED IN THESE POSITIONS. FINAL SELECTIONS WILL BE MADE BY INDIVIDUAL AIR NATIONAL GUARD UNIT COMMANDERS. THE BENEFITS, AT ACCESSION, PROVIDED BY AIR NATIONAL GUARD DIFFER FROM THOSE PROVIDED BY THE ACTIVE DUTY AIR FORCE. CADETS SHOULD UNDERSTAND WHAT BENEFITS THEY WILL RECEIVE IF THEY VOLUNTEER AND ARE SELECTED FOR ONE OF THESE POSITIONS.

5. APPLYING. CADETS INTERESTED IN THIS PROGRAM CAN REVIEW THE VACANCIES LISTED AT THIS LINK AND CONTACT THE AIR NATIONAL GUARD REPRESENTATIVE LISTED IN PARAGRAPH 3 TO GATHER THE INFORMATION THEY NEED TO MAKE THEIR DECISION TO APPLY. CADETS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN THIS PROGRAM AND CHOOSE TO APPLY ARE FIRST REQUIRED TO NOTIFY THEIR COMMANDER VIA EMAIL OF THEIR INTENT TO APPLY. COMMANDERS WHO SUPPORT THE CADET'S APPLICATION WILL FORWARD THE EMAIL WITH THEIR RECOMMENDATION TO THE FOLLOWING FOR APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL OF THE REQUEST FOR CONDITIONAL RELEASE WITH INFO TO HQ AFROTC/RR AT ROTC.RRFP@MAXWELL.AF.MIL

a. FOR LINE OF THE AF (LAF) INTERESTS: DPSIP.WORKFLOW@RANDOLPH.AF.MIL, ATTN: DPSIP BRANCH CHIEF

b. FOR NON-LINE OF THE AF INTERESTS: A1PT.WORKFLOW@PENTAGON.AF.MIL ATTN: DIVISION CHIEF.

RESPONSES FROM AFPC/DPSIP AND AF/A1PT WILL BE PROVIDED BACK TO THE REQUESTING COMMANDER WITHIN THREE DUTY DAYS OF RECEIPT. UPON APPROVAL, CADETS CAN THEN APPLY FOR POSITION(S) DIRECTLY WITH THE AIR NATIONAL GUARD UNIT RECRUITER. FOR THOSE CADETS GRADUATING IN DECEMBER 2010, APPLICATIONS FOR CLEARANCE FOR CONDITIONAL RELEASE MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 31 OCTOBER 2010. IF SELECTED FOR A POSITION, CADETS WILL BE CONDITIONALLY RELEASED BY AFROTC PENDING COMMISSONING IN THE AIR FORCE RESERVE OR AIR NATIONAL GUARD.

6. COMMITMENT. PARTICIPANTS IN THIS PROGRAM WILL INCUR A MINIMUM 6-YEAR MILITARY SERVICE OBLIGATION IN THE AIR RESERVE COMPONENT IN LIEU OF THE ACTIVE DUTY COMMITMENT. ADDITIONAL SERVICE COMMITMENT MAY BE INCURRED BASED ON TRAINING ASSOCIATED WITH THE AFSC.