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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (HEALTH AFFAIRS) THE SURGEON GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY THE SURGEON GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY THE SURGEON GENERAL. DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Tuberculosis (TB) Skin Testing

At its June meeting, the Board reviewed the tuberculosis testing programs of the three Services and found them to be consistent with the recommendations of the CDC and the American Thoracic Society. The current resurgence of TB in the United States and its continuing high prevalence place military personnel at increased risk of infection and it is appropriate to review further current DOD policies to consider whether and how they should be modified. For this purpose, the AFEB plans to convene a small group of experts to review the special needs of the Armed Forces and to develop recommendations for review at the October meeting of the Armed Forces Epidemiological Board.

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