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SUBJECT: Memorandum for Implementation of the RAPIDGate program.

- 1. Effective 12 Nov 2012, Fort Devens will be implementing changes to its access procedures to increase the security posture of the installation. Upcoming changes are being directed by the commander, Fort Devens. These new procedures will directly impact vendors, contractors, sub-contractors and service providers who require regular access to Fort Devens which includes the Fort Devens South Post. Our priority is to maintain a safe and secure installation while offering a solution that will also provide streamlined access onto the installation.
- 2. Newly established safety and security requirements require all contractors and venders to obtain a Rapid gate issued ID card in order to access the installation. Access will be denied if you are a contractor and/or vendor not having a Rapid Gate issued ID card. Part of the increase in security will require daily vehicle screenings.
- 3. All contractor and Vendor will participate in the RAPIDGate Program. RAPIDGate participants will be subject to random vehicle inspections and will be issued a long term credential for access. Access times will be determined by the sponsor and allowed only during the times needed to perform business on the installation. The issued RAPIDGate identification cards, with photo and biometrics, will permit pedestrian access to FT Devens and south post.
- 4. The RAPIDGate Program provides government accepted background checks and may be a time/cost savings benefit for companies desiring to conduct regular, returning business on FT Devens. After the implementation of the RAPIDGate program Ft Devens will only issue one week passes and the contractor must be enrolled into the Devens Access system. Any contractor requiring access for more than one week on the life of one contract must enroll in the RAPIDGate program. Current contractors and vendors currently conducting business on FT Devens will not have to enroll at this time. But once current contract expires, contractors and vendors must enroll in the RAPIDGate system.
- 5.To enroll in the RAPIDGate program follow the guidelines on the attached document, RAPIDGate program enrollment information. Questions about the FT Devens RAPIDGate program should be sent via email and addressed to info@rapidgate.com with subject line RE: RAPIDgate program.
- 6. Ft Devens is making it mandatory to participate in the RAPIDGate program. It will improve the ability of our access control personnel and maintain a higher level of security and efficiency for all.
- 7. The Primary point of contact is Mr. Shaughn M Nickerson, Physical Security Officer, 978-796-2061 or email Shaughn.m.nickerson.civ@mail.mil.

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