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II MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE ORDER 1916.1A

From: Commanding General, II Marine Expeditionary Force To: Distribution List

Subj: REQUIREMENTS FOR MEDICAL EVALUATION OF MARINES AND SAILORS BEFORE INVOLUNTARY ADMINISTRATIVE SEPARATION

- Ref: (a) MARADMIN 328/10
 - (b) MCO P1900.16 CH 1, Marine Corps Separation Manual
 - (c) NAVMED P-117, Chapter 15
 - (d) MARADMIN 283/06
 - (e) Directive-type Memorandum (DTM) 14-006
 - (f) National Defense Authorization Act FY 10, Section 512
 - (g) DoDI 1332.14, Enlisted Administrative Separations
- Encl: (1) Election with Regards to Recommendation for Further Medical Evaluation
 - (2) Pre-printed SF-600, Chronological Record of Medical Care
 - (3) Report of Medical Evaluation to Commanding Officer

1. <u>Situation</u>. Reference (a) states that prior to approving any involuntary administrative separation under the provisions of reference (b) for Marines and Sailors with more than 180 days of active duty, the separation authority must ensure that a Separation History and Physical Examination (SHPE) is performed by a physician, a nurse practitioner or a physician assistant per reference (c) and must review the results of that evaluation. Additionally, if the service member has qualifying combat duty and/or deployment during the last 24 months, DD Form 2900 Post Deployment Health Reassessment (PDHRA) must be completed per reference (d).

2. Cancellation. II MEFO 1916.1.

3. <u>Mission</u>. The intent of performing these medical evaluations is to ensure that separation authority has all pertinent medical information about the member being processed for involuntary administrative separation. Any medical condition that may have material impact on the member's behavior, especially anyone who

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has signs and/or symptoms of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and/or Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) must be considered. Inherent is that authority's discretion to direct additional medical treatment and determine the date of separation or direct retention as appropriate.

4. <u>Execution</u>. For all personnel assigned to II Marine Expeditionary Force (II MEF), a SHPE will be completed prior to involuntary administrative separation. Additionally, the following are required:

a. Per reference (e), a completed DD Form 2807-1 Report of Medical History and a DD Form 2808 Report of Medical Examination are required and must be current within 30 days of date of separation, DD Form 2697 may be submitted in lieu of, if the most recent SHPE was between 31-180 days old.

b. Ensure that the corresponding Post Deployment Health Reassessment (PDHRA) is completed for all Marines and Sailors with qualifying combat service or deployment during the last 24 months.

c. Perform a comprehensive review of the member's medical records in order to determine whether the member has been diagnosed or is exhibiting possible signs and/or symptoms of PTSD and/or TBI. Although reference (b) directs that PTSD and/or TBI evaluations are only required as part of SHPE for administrative separation if the Marine or Sailor has been previously diagnosed with these conditions or if the Marine or Sailor reasonably alleges the influence of PTSD or TBI, for all II MEF Personnel being processed for administrative separation, enclosure (3) will be used to document the presence or absence of such diagnosis.

đ. Ensure that members diagnosed and/or presenting with symptoms of PTSD and/or TBI are referred for further evaluation. Per reference (f) in cases involving PTSD, a clinical psychologist or psychiatrist shall perform this medical evaluation. In cases involving TBI, this medical evaluation may be performed by a physician, clinical psychologist, psychiatrist or other health care professional as appropriate. The medical professional who performed this evaluation must make a determination whether the medical condition affected the member's judgment and to what extent it may have been a contributing factor in the command's recommendation for his/her separation. In addition, the examining medical professional must explain the reasons that led to that conclusion. This information is critical for the separation authority who must

explain the reasons for separation and characterization of service in the event that PTSD or TBI were contributing factors. In certain circumstances, the separation authority may determine that the effects of PTSD or TBI were significantly mitigating enough to warrant separation under Chapter 8 of reference (b). Per reference (g), any individual who served in an imminent danger pay area and has PTSD must be referred to Physical Evaluation Broad (PEB). If the member additionally has a personality disorder (or other mental health condition), they must also be referred to the PEB. However, the personality disorder will not take precedence toward an administrative separation if the other conditions are met or if separation is a result of court martial proceedings.

e. Commanders and unit medical providers will ensure that Marines and Sailors are advised of and afforded the opportunity to accept or refuse medical referrals regarding symptoms of PTSD and/or TBI. Medical providers must document the member's acceptance or refusal of the referral in the comments section of SF 600; members must complete enclosure (1), Election with Regards to Recommendation for Further Medical Evaluation.

f. Use a pre-printed SF 600 enclosure (2), or a blank SF 600, Chronological Record of Medical Care to document the following:

(1) If the member has served in combat or has deployed during the last 24 months.

(2) If the corresponding PDHRA has been verified.

(3) Annotate the date PDHRA was completed.

(4) If member currently has a diagnosis or signs and symptoms of PTSD and/or TBI.

(5) If after referral, member was diagnosed with PTSD and/or TBI.

(6) The examining medical professional's determination if PTSD and/or TBI contributed to member's actions that resulted in the recommendation for involuntary administrative separation. Provide comments explaining the reasons that led to this conclusion.

(7) The recommendation and determination if the member is physically qualified for separation. If member is not physically qualified for separation, provide a plan of action, e.g. refer to medical board or other/specify.

g. Use enclosure (3), Report of Medical Evaluation to the Commanding Officer to report the results of evaluation and subsequent recommendation regarding fitness to separate.

5. Administration and Logistics. Each II MEF unit is required to become familiar with the requirements of reference (a) and apply them by following the procedures set forth within this order.

6. Command and signal

a. <u>Command</u>. This Order applies to all II MEF Marines and Sailors being recommended for involuntary administrative separation.

b. <u>Signal</u>. This Order is effective on the day it is signed.

Chief of Staff

DISTRIBUTION: A

ELECTION WITH REGARDS TO RECOMMENDATION FOR FURTHER MEDICAL EVALUATION

6320

Date

From: <u>PVT John Q. Smith, EDIPI/0311 USMC</u> To: Commanding Officer

Via: Medical Officer, Name of BAS

Subj: ELECTION WITH REGARDS TO RECOMMENDATION FOR FURTHER MEDICAL EVALUATION

Ref: (a) MARADMIN 328/10

1. I have been advised that a recent medical examination conducted by <u>LCDR Doctor</u> indicated that I exhibit signs of PTSD and/or TBI. I have also been advised by <u>LCDR Doctor</u> that a referral to a mental health professional (or other appropriate physician) is recommended and is in my best interest. Furthermore, I have been advised that such a referral and any necessary treatment are voluntary and provided to me at no cost.

2. With the understanding that submitting to such medical referral is in my best medical interest, I <u>accept/decline</u> to be evaluated and treated for PTSD and/or TBI at this time.

3. I have received a copy of <u>LCDR Doctor's</u> recommendation to my Commanding Officer on <u>date</u>. I understand that I can request additional screening for PTSD and/or TBI while on active duty and I am encouraged to report any mental health concerns that I may have to medical personnel, chaplain, or my chain of command.

SIGNATURE

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	RD CHRONOLOGICAL RECORD OF MEDICAL CARE SYMPTOMS, DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT, TREATING ORGANIZATION (Sign each entry)					
DATE	BP:	PULSE:	IREATING	BORGANIZATION (Sign eac RESP:	n entry)	
	TEMP:	HT(inches):	<u></u>	WT(lbs):		
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	MEDICATIONS:					
	DATE OF LAST PH	IYSICAL EXAM:				
	Results of Medical	Examination as requ	ired by N	/ARADMIN 328/10		
	1. Has member serv	ed in combat or been	deployed	in last 24 months?	Yes/No	
	2. If yes, has PDHR	A been verified?	•		Yes/No	
	3. Date PDHRA veri	fied:				
	4. Has member beer	n diagnosed or had co	ncerning	symptoms of PTSD/TBI	? Yes/No	
	5. Was member refe	rred for further evalua	tion of PT	SD and/or TBI?	Yes/No	
	6. After referral, was	member diagnosed w	ith PTSD	and/or TBI?	Yes/No	
	7. Did further evalua	tion reveal that PTSD	and/or TE	31 to be contributing		
	factor(s) in the mem	ber's actions that may	have res	ulted in the command's		
	recommendation for	Involuntary Administra	ative Sepa	aration?	Yes/No	
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CHRONOLOGICAL RECORD OF MEDICAL CARE

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DATE OF BIRTH

STANDARD FORM 600 (EF)

ORGANIZATION

DATE	SYMPTOMS, DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT, TREATING ORGANIZATION (Sign each entry)					
	Member found PQ///NPQ for Separation/Retirement					
	Plan of Action if NPQ: Medical Board///Other (specify below).					
	Physician's Signature: Date:					
	You have been evaluated because of your planned separation or retirement fro					
	active duty service. If found physically qualified to separate or retire, this mea					
	that no medical condition has been noted that disqualifies you from the					
	performance of your duties or warrants disability evaluation system processin					
	To receive disability benefits from the Department of the Navy, you must be ur					
	to perform the duties of your office, grade, or rating because of a disease or					
	injury incurred or exacerbated while in receipt of base pay. Some conditions,					
	while not considered disqualifying for separation or retirement, may entitle yo					
*****	to benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs. If you desire additional					
	information regarding these benefits, contact the Department of Veterans Affai					
	at 1-800-827-1000 or visit their website at <u>http://www.va.gov</u> .					
	I have read and understood the above statements from Chapter 15, article 20					
	of the Manual of Medical Department.					
	Patient's Signature: Date					
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ENCLOSURE (2)

REPORT OF MEDICAL EVALUATION TO THE COMMANDING OFFICER

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Date

From: Medical Officer, <u>Name of BAS</u> To: Commanding Officer

Subj: MEDICAL EVALUATION ICO PVT JOHN Q. SMITH, EDIPI/0311 USMC

Ref: (a) MARADMIN 328/10

Encl: (1) Election with regards to recommendation for further Medical evaluation

1. As required by reference (a) <u>PVT John Q. Smith's</u> medical evaluation was conducted on date and the results are as follows:

a. Member has served in combat and/or has deployed. Y/N

b. Member's PDHRA has been verified and completed. Y/N

c. Member has possible signs and/or symptoms of PTSD and/or TBI.

d. Member referred for evaluation of PTSD and/or TBI. Y/N

e. Referral result: member diagnosed with PTSD and/or TBI. Y/N

2. Referral evaluation <u>revealed/did not reveal</u> that PTSD and/or TBI are a contributing factor in the member's actions that resulted in the command's recommendation for involuntary administrative separation. (Provide comments/reasons that led to this conclusion). <u>Note</u>: This paragraph only applies if member is diagnosed with PTSD and/or TBI.

3. Member found <u>Physically Qualified (PQ)/Not Physically</u> <u>Qualified (NPQ)</u> for separation or retirement from service. (If NPQ, provide plan of action, e.g. refer to medical board or other/specify).

Y/N

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