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SUBJECT: Optimal Duration for Restriction of Movement

Reference: Deputy Secretary of Defense Memorandum, "DoD COVID-19 Task Force
Laboratory Testing Line of Effort," April 24, 2020

This documents my verbal direction, provided on May 27, 2020 to the Military Departments to use information from their current coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) screening and testing protocols to inform a risk reduction framework and to determine the optimal application and duration for any Restriction of Movement (ROM). The Military Departments will adapt current testing protocols consistent with this guidance to ensure decision makers have the information necessary to inform a potential decision to reduce the 14-day ROM requirement.

In alignment with the recommendations made by Major General Lee Payne, MD, the Department's lead for the COVID-19 Testing and Diagnostics Line of Effort, I direct the following actions:

- For the next 30 days, to the greatest extent practicable, the Military Departments will arrange COVID-19 tests for military personnel subject to a 14-day ROM associated with the Department accessions or as otherwise required by DoD or the Military



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Departments. For these military personnel, COVID-19 testing will be administered on days 0, 7, 10, and 14 of the ROM, as well as at any other time such testing is clinically indicated during the ROM.

- The Military Departments will capture test results for each individual tested under this guidance, and will annotate the following information: full name, DoD ID number, test date, cohort code, location, presence or absence of symptoms, and size of the ROM cohort for the individual.
- Existing protocols for managing military personnel who test positive, including contact tracing, remain in place.
- The Military Departments will use Polymerase Chain Reaction testing and document positive results in the DoD electronic health record.
- Additional guidance on scope, reporting, and analysis of the testing may be provided by the DoD COVID-19 Task Force Testing and Diagnostics Line of Effort in accordance with the reference.

The Military Departments will identify their testing requirements and the number of individuals they plan to test over the next 30 days by no later than June 15, 2020 to the DoD COVID-19 Task Force Testing and Diagnostics Line of Effort via Secret Internet Protocol Router Network at osd.pentagon.ousd-policy.mbx.cvtf-diagnostics-and-testing@mail.smil.mil.

My point of contact for this effort is Colonel Mark Ireland, Chief of Staff, DoD COVID-19 Task Force Testing and Diagnostics Line of Effort, at (703) 614-8373 or dha.ncr.dha-ha.list.cvtf-diagnosticstesting@mail.mil.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark Ireland".