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GROUP ORDER 1710.1

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: RECOGNITION OF EXCEPTIONAL MARINES AND SAILORS PROGRAM
(REMSP)

Ref: (a) SECNAVINST 1650.1F

Encl: (1) REMSP Nomination Form

1. Purpose. The purpose of this order is to establish a unit recognition program apart from the standard awards program under reference (a), for Marines and Sailors performing exceptional service within the I Marine Expeditionary Force Headquarters Group (I MHG) who are in the pay grade of Private through Sergeant only.

2. Background

(a) Marines and Sailors are traditionally recognized for their outstanding performance via the established awards program outlined in reference (a). However, many other Marines and Sailors who perform exceptional service in the performance of their duty often go unrecognized or rewarded for their professionalism.

(b) The REMSP aims to immediately recognize and reward those deserving junior Marines, NCO's, and Sailors within I MHG who have made significant contributions to their command or section's overall mission readiness.

(c) Marines or Sailors selected will be awarded two (2) tickets to an upcoming local sporting event or entertainment venue (Padres, Chargers, various Theme Parks, etc).

(d) The number of tickets available for award is extremely limited and not all nominees submitted will be able to be selected.

(e) Selection of awardees will be made by the Commanding Officer, I MHG on a weekly basis with closeout nomination periods being every Wednesday of each week.

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(f) This program is not intended to be, nor will it be used as a substitute for the Navy-Marine Corps awards program established under reference (a).

3. Effective Date. 1 April 2001. Initial nominee submission date is Wednesday, 4 April, 2001.

4. Information

(a) Tickets awarded will be for the sole use of the recognized Marine or Sailor and their chosen guest. Selling or trading awarded tickets is strictly prohibited and is a punishable offense under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. In virtually all cases of sporting events the tickets awarded are for set game dates, usually occurring within 7 days after the awardee Marine or Sailor is selected as a recipient.

(b) Only Padres tickets may be switched for a limited selection of alternate future games in the event that official duty prevents the attendance at the originally scheduled game listed on awarded tickets. These arrangements must be made at least 48 hours prior to game time and through the I MHG Sergeant Major who maintains a schedule of the alternate future games.

(c) Theme Park tickets will not identify a specific attendance date but can be used by the awardee Marine or Sailor at their discretion not to interfere with official duty requirements.

5. Action

(a) The following may submit one nominee weekly:

(1) Assistant Chief of Staffs G-1 through G-7 inclusive, Staff Secretary, Staff Judge Advocate, Comptroller, Chaplain, Surgeon, and Public Affairs Officer on the I MEF staff.

(2) S-1/Adjutant, S-3, S-4, and Comptroller sections on the I MHG staff.

(b) Nominees must be Marines and Sailors in their respective Commands or sections who are undoubtedly deserving of recognition, have clearly demonstrated exceptional performance of duty which has contributed to the overall mission readiness of their respective commands or sections, and have had no disciplinary or adverse administrative action six months prior to the date of being nominated for the REMSP.

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(c) Commands and sections are to submit nominees by using the REMSP nomination form (enclosure 1). All nominations will be submitted directly to the Sergeant Major, I MHG for review. Nominations can be submitted electronically in enclosure (1) format, with CC information Copy to I MHG CO, XO, and Adjutant.

(d) There are no quotas for this program. The Commanding Officer, I MHG will serve as the Awarding Authority on all selections. Marines and Sailors selected as an awardee will be notified via their chain of command and must immediately report to the Sergeant Major, I MHG to pick up awarded tickets.

6. Reserve Applicability. This program is applicable to all active duty members and reservists who are on "active duty" extended orders and are assigned to a command or section identified in paragraph 4. (a) above.

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To: Commanding Officer, I Marine Expeditionary Force
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(REMSP); CASE OF RANK, NAME, SSN/MOS USMC/USN
Ref: (a) GruO 1710

1. In accordance with the reference, the following Marine/Sailor is submitted for the REMSP weekly period ending (date - must be a Wednesday).

2. Summary of Action (SOA): Describe the Marine or Sailors performance that qualifies as exceptional to include the dates of performance, location, significant accomplishments of note, measurable contribution to unit/section readiness, name of exercise/operation, volunteer service, etc,. The SOA will not be more than one page in length and be in standard paragraph format.

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