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History. This is an expedite revision to U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) Regulation 1-11. The portions affected are listed in the summary of change.

Summary. This regulation prescribes policy, procedures, and formats for preparing and coordinating correspondence and other administrative actions for Headquarters (HQ), TRADOC. It also provides responsibilities and procedures for scheduling conferences and briefings.

Applicability. This regulation applies to all TRADOC organizations that prepare correspondence for HQ TRADOC.

Proponent and exception authority. The proponent of this regulation is the TRADOC Secretary of the General Staff (SGS). The proponent has the authority to approve exceptions or waivers to this regulation that are consistent with controlling law and regulations. The proponent may delegate this authority in writing, to a division chief with the proponent agency or its direct reporting unit or field operating activity (FOA), in the grade of colonel or the civilian equivalent. Activities may request a waiver to this regulation by providing justification that includes a full analysis of the expected benefits and must include formal review by the activity’s senior legal officer. All waiver requests will be endorsed by the commander or senior leader of the requesting activity and forwarded through their higher headquarters to the policy proponent.

Army management control process. This regulation does not contain management control provisions.

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Summary of Change

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Staff Procedures

This expedite revision, dated 1 March 2019-

o Adds records management requirements (para 1-5).

o Updates Operational Tasking Process (G-33) (para 2-4).

o Adds point paper example and instructions (para 3-7).

o Changes written invitations to electronic invitations (para 6-4c).

o Eliminates TF 5-E-1.

o Changes title of Internal Review and Compliance Office to Internal Review and Audit Compliance Office (para 6-2a).

o Updates schedule for lead organizations for Headquarters, United States Army Training and Doctrine Command Organization Day and Other Recurring Events, 2019-2022 (table 6-2).

o Updates schedule for lead organizations for Ethnic/Special Observance Schedule for calendar years 2019-2022 (table 6-3).

This administrative revision, dated 20 April 2018-

o Changes paragraph 2-13b to read “When addressing correspondence to all addressed to TRADOC subordinate activities and deputy chiefs of general staff and chiefs of special staff offices, type distribution list as shown in Figure 2-5.”
This major revision, dated 12 March 2018-

- Eliminates specified format for notices of nonconcurrence (para 2-12d(2)).
- Removes formats for point papers and position papers (chap 3).
- Changes annual Organization Day celebration to decentralized events (para 6-2).
- Defines schedule for lead organizations for Headquarters, United States Army Training and Doctrine Command Organization Day and Other Recurring Events, 2018-2021 (table 6-2).
- Adds Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month to the Ethnic/Special Observances Schedule (para 6-3).
- Defines schedule for lead organizations for Ethnic/Special Observance Schedule for calendar year 2018-2021 (table 6-3).
- Removes requirement for G-1/4 to review for accuracy and ensure all required statements are on requests for accompanying spouse invitational travel authorizations (para 7-3b).
- Adds required text to accompanying spouse travel request invitational travel authorization memorandum: “This travel authorization authorizes the spouse to accompany the sponsor to attend an official function. It does not authorize per diem or other expense allowances for the spouse. If the spouse does not desire to bear the expenses ordinarily reimbursed through per diem or other expenses allowances, this travel authorization is canceled.” (para 7-3b(1)).
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Chapter 1
Introduction

1-1. Purpose
This regulation prescribes administrative policy and staff procedures for Headquarters (HQ) U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) and agencies that prepare correspondence for HQ TRADOC.

1-2. References
Required and related publications and prescribed and referenced forms are listed in Appendix A.

1-3. Explanation of abbreviations and terms
Abbreviations and special terms used in this regulation are explained in the glossary.

1-4. Responsibilities

a. The Secretary of the General Staff (SGS) will:

   (1) Establish policy and procedures to prepare and manage TRADOC correspondence.

   (2) Review all correspondence sent to the Command Group for administrative completeness and correctness, appropriate coordination, proper level of signatures, and compliance with established policies. Enforce policies, regulations, and instructions governing correspondence for TRADOC.

   (3) Serve as primary tasking authority for all non-operational taskings generated by the Commanding General (CG), Deputy Commanding General (DCG)/Chief of Staff (CoS), and Deputy Chief of Staff (DCoS), reflected as CG, and Chief of Staff (CS) taskings. Process all external suspense (ES) actions generated by proponents. Manage tasking continuity.

   (4) Distribute and track official mail addressed to the Command Group and actions generated by the Command Group.

   (5) Assign staff responsibility for TRADOC-led ethnic/special observances and recurring events.

   (6) Maintain the SGS Website.

   (7) Manage site content for the Staff Action Officer Resource Center.

   (8) Schedule and conduct monthly Staff Officer Orientation Briefings (SOOBs) to familiarize newly assigned action officers (AOs) with staff procedures. Maintain essential information related to the HQ organization on the the Staff Action Officer Resource Center for AO review and reference.

   (9) Manage TRADOC policy letters and delegations of authority.
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(10) Maintain Command Group internal TRADOC e-mail distribution lists (commanders/commandants, chiefs, staff principals, executive officers (XOs), SGS, senior executive services (SESs), senior commanders, and TRADOC Top 4 meeting).

(11) Conduct the quarterly Executive Officers Breakfast to provide a forum for enhanced communication between staff sections.

(12) Operate the Command Group Action Center (CGAC).

(13) Serve as lead for Command Action Tracking System (CATS).

(14) Upload Staff Actions addressed to HQDA in the Task Management Tool (TMT).

b. The Deputy Chief of Staff (DCS), G-3/5/7 Current Operations (G-33) will:

(1) Serve as primary tasking authority for all internal (IN), external (EX), and operational (OP) taskings not generated by the TRADOC Command Group (see para 2-4) in accordance with TRADOC Regulation (TR) 10-5, Chapter 2.

(2) Receive and process all requests for military aircraft travel (see TR 95-5).

c. DCSs and Chiefs of Special Staff will:

(1) Require incoming personnel to review the Staff Action Officer Resource Center.

(2) Ensure newly assigned personnel (military and civilian) attend the first available SOOB within 2 months of arrival. Contractors may attend the SOOB at the discretion of their director.

(3) Ensure personnel and contractors manage records in accordance with AR 25-400-2.

d. The Director, Congressional Activities Office (CAO) will monitor and provide assistance on all congressional actions (see paras 2-8f and 2-12b(11)). Additional guidance and information on CAO functions and services are available on the CAO SharePoint site at https://hq.tradoc.army.mil/sites/cao/SitePages/Home.aspx.

e. XOs and SGSs at subordinate organizations (core function leaders, special activities and field operating activities (FOAs), DRUs, schools and centers), and HQ TRADOC will:

(1) Ensure proper coordination and formatting of all staff products forwarded to the TRADOC Command Group.

(2) Provide updated changes to contact list/rosters to the TRADOC SGS, Staff Actions Division as changes occur.

(3) Ensure records (hardcopy or electronic) created and/or received in the course of doing Army business will be maintained in accordance with Army Regulation (AR) 25-400-2, The Army Records Information Management System (ARIMS). ARIMS record numbers and titles
are determined by the proponents of the prescribing directives and lead to the category and type of record(s) (keep [short-term less than six years] or transfer [long term retention greater than six years up to permanent]) to support the business process of those functional areas. Visit ARIMS at https://www.arims.army.mil and consult your organization records manager for assistance in determining applicable record numbers.

   f. Designated organization POCs will upload documents to the TRADOC Knowledge Environment (TKE) Actions Library (for CG, CS, IN, EX, OP taskings, and ES actions) in accordance with Appendix H.

1-5. Records management requirements
As decreed by AR 25–400–2, the records management (recordkeeping) requirements for all Army Records Information Management System (ARIMS) record numbers, associated forms, and reports are included in the Army’s Records Retention Schedule-Army (RRS–A). Detailed information for all related record numbers, forms, and reports associated with this regulation are located in RRS–A at https://www.arims.army.mil.

Chapter 2
Staff Policies and Procedures

2-1. Correspondence
AR 25-50, Preparing and Managing Correspondence, prescribes policies, procedures, and standard formats for preparing and processing Army correspondence. It is available on the Army Publishing Directorate web site at https://armypubs.army.mil/ProductMaps/PubForm/AR.aspx.

   a. Prepare correspondence for CG, DCG/CoS, and DCoS signature in final form, not as a draft.

   b. Letterhead.

      (1) Use TRADOC letterhead stationery for all formal memorandums for Command Group signature. Do not alter letterhead.

      (2) Use plain paper and not personal letterhead for internal/informal memorandums and decision memorandums.

      (3) Use CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS letterhead stationery for letters. Do not use office titles or office symbols on CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS letters. Refer to AR 25-50, Preparing and Managing Correspondence, Chapter 3, for guidance on preparing letters.

      (4) Electronic letterhead templates are available on the TRADOC web site at https://www.tradoc.army.mil/Publications-Resources/.

   c. Use of the slogan “Victory Starts Here!” as the last paragraph in letters, memorandum, or messages is optional. It may be used in correspondence of a complimentary, positive nature
going to individuals and/or higher or subordinate commands. Omit if it adds a second page to the correspondence.

d. As a general rule, respond in like form. For example, use a memorandum to respond to a memorandum; personal letter to a personal letter, etc.

e. Address memorandums of commendation “THRU” the chain of command and “FOR” the recipient, by name.

f. Use TRADOC Form (TF) 5-E, dated Dec 2014, (Transmittal, Action and Control) for all correspondence (hard copy or electronic) going to the Command Group. It is a .pdf-fillable form.

g. Multiple-addressee correspondence, memorandums of instruction, policy letters, electronic messages, and standing operating procedures will not be used as substitutes for issuing, changing, or revising TRADOC-wide policy and procedure publications in accordance with AR 25-30.

h. Incorporate interim policy, procedural guidance messages, or memorandums into a publication within 6 months of issuance.

2-2. Commanding General (CG) actions

a. Actions requiring CG approval and/or signature take precedence over other actions. Ensure staff principals handle as a priority.

b. TF 5-E will accompany all CG correspondence, whether for information, signature, or approval. Include a suspense date as required.

c. Unless otherwise indicated, taskers for CG approval, information, review, or signature are assigned a 5-duty day suspense and a control number with a “CG” prefix.

d. CG-generated requests for information or action require feedback within 5 duty days. Complex actions still require initial feedback within 5 duty days. Provide interim response to TRADOC SAD via e-mail to: usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.hq-tradoc-sad@mail.mil, who will forward to the CG and courtesy copy (cc) the DCG/CoS and/or DCoS. Follow up with weekly updates until complete.

   (1) Coordinating staff and/or their deputies will submit responses to simple questions and interim responses in executive summary (EXSUM) format, or a stand-alone TR Form 5. Follow EXSUM forwarding instructions.

   (2) For detailed actions requiring more than 5-duty days to complete, upload TF 5-E (containing the EXSUM and appropriate digital signatures) to the TKE Actions Library in accordance with Appendix H. E-mail TRADOC SAD at usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.hq-tradoc-sad@mail.mil when TF 5-E has been uploaded. Include EXSUM title in the subject line. TRADOC SGS will forward it to the CG and cc individuals listed in para 2-3c(1). Provide current status and way ahead with milestones to complete the tasking.
e. Expedite all returned CG actions for rewrite, corrections, questions, etc., through the SGS. Maximum turnaround time is 24 hours. At times, the suspense may require turnaround in less than 24 hours due to the CG's travel schedule. Always use the documents your staff action control officer (SACO) posted in your folder in the TKE Actions Library for your rewrite or corrections. These documents contain edits to your original submission. Do not use your original documents.

2-3. Staff action process

a. Staff offices must route actions going to the Command Group through the SGS. The SGS will log the action, proofread, edit, ensure required coordination, and forward the correspondence to the Command Group. Actions received at the Command Group without prior SGS approval will be returned to the SGS for processing. Ensure you provide the SGS a copy of the action to be presented for CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS signature for review prior to a briefing so SGS can proofread. If bypassing the SGS, provide a copy of signed correspondence and TF 5-E to the SGS for official files following the briefing.

b. CGAC will date correspondence the Command Group signs (if not dated at time of signature). A copy of the correspondence will be scanned and filed electronically. Unless directed otherwise, the SGS will e-mail all actions signed by the CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS that are addressed to all subordinate organizations and HQ TRADOC. See Figure 2-5, Distribution list for correspondence. Distribution of actions addressed elsewhere is the responsibility of the lead organization. Proponents are responsible for maintaining their records in accordance with AR 25-400-2.

c. Provide EXSUMs and/or tasking updates to SGS on TF 5-E. SGS will review and forward to the Command Group. If space allows, type EXSUMs on TF 5-E in the discussion section of block 7 (instead of attaching it as a tab). Upload TF 5-E (containing the EXSUM and appropriate digital signatures) to the TKE Actions Library in accordance with Appendix H. E-mail TRADOC SAD at usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.hq-tradoc-sad@mail.mil when TF 5-E has been uploaded; be sure to include EXSUM title in the subject line. When proponent head chooses to route the EXSUM directly to the CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS, as a minimum, provide a cc to the following individuals:

(1) For EXSUMs sent directly to the CG, provide cc to:

(a) DCG/CoS;
(b) DCoS;
(c) CG XO;
(d) DCG/CoS XO;
(e) DCoS XO; and
(f) SGS to track response/close tasking.
(2) For EXSUMs sent directly to the DCG/CoS, provide cc to:

(a) DCoS;

(b) DCG/CoS XO;

(c) DCoS XO; and

(d) SGS to track response/close tasking.

d. Coordinating staff and subordinate organizations’ representatives will review the CATS Daily Status Report to monitor suspense dates for their respective taskings and ensure they are met on time.

e. Action officers will:

(1) Become familiar with AR 25-50, TR 10-5 series, and this regulation. Follow regulatory guidance to determine action required, level of approval, and appropriate signature for the action. Contact the SGS with questions on signature/approval authority or coordination of ES actions prior to processing actions.

(2) All new action officers should attend the Staff Officers Orientation Brief (SOOB) within first 60 days of assignment. Prior to attending the SOOB, review documents on the Staff Action Officer Resource Center (https://hq.tradoc.army.mil/SAORC/default.aspx) that provide an introduction to TRADOC.

(3) Conduct a thorough mission analysis of the action being submitted. Before taking action, thoroughly consider the issue and why the CG is involved, staff recommendations, implications for accepting or rejecting the staff recommendations, and assessment of supporting and background information. Provide Command Group the second- and third-order effects and the implications to the Army and TRADOC. Think at the strategic level.

(4) Initiate a lead transfer if, as the lead, he/she believes the tasking is outside of their organization’s area of responsibility. See para 2-3j procedures to transfer lead.

(5) Provide assistance to subordinate commands/activities. Ensure instructions to subordinate commanders are clear, concise, and leave no doubt about the objectives. Act on subordinate commander requests or recommendations promptly.

(6) If review of the subordinate command request or recommendation results in nonconcurrence, discuss the decision with the affected organization before forwarding to the Command Group for final action/signature. This gives the field an opportunity to understand the forthcoming response and ensures consideration of the most critical data points from the centers’/schools’ perspective. Explain action fully and in a positive manner, pointing out alternatives, if available. Nonconcurrences/negative responses to subordinate activities and/or other commands outside of TRADOC require CG, DCG/CoS, and/or DCoS approval.
(7) Ensure subordinate commanders receive copies of their requests that HQ TRADOC endorses to Headquarters, Department of the Army (HQDA) for consideration. Until actions are complete, provide periodic updates, through their SGS, on status of requests.

(8) Ensure content of action is consistent with similar staff actions and cites only approved policies.

(9) Carefully review the final product to ensure proper format, administrative correctness, and use of appropriate letterhead prior to forwarding to SGS.

(10) Complete coordination with subordinate organizations, special activities and FOAs, schools and centers, HQ TRADOC organizations, and other Army commands (ACOMs) in accordance with TR 10-5 and para 2-12 of this regulation prior to forwarding to SGS. Ensure coordinating office is commensurate with level of signature. (For example, if TRADOC CG signs correspondence requiring coordination with U.S. Army Forces Command (FORSCOM), the FORSCOM CG is the coordinating authority.) For subordinate organizations, the chief of staff or higher must provide his/her name for concurrence/nonconcurrence on an action. For HQ TRADOC organizations, the executive officer, deputy chief of staff, or assistant deputy chief of staff must provide his/her name for concurrence/nonconcurrence on an action. Include date and concur or nonconcur on TF 5-E. If they nonconcur, include additional tab that explains the objections.

(11) Comply with AR 380-5 for security considerations.

(12) Ensure the distribution is appropriate (see para 2-13).

(13) Ensure staff action includes a completed TF 5-E.

(14) Ensure staff actions going to the Secretary of the Army (SA), Chief of Staff, Army (CSA), Under Secretary of the Army (USA), Vice Chief of Staff, Army (VCSA), Director of the Army Staff (DAS), the Vice Director of the Army Staff (VDAS), or the Sergeant Major of the Army (SMA) include a HQDA Form 5 at TAB A. Include HQDA Form 5 with staff actions going to other Department of the Army (DA) senior leaders only when requested.

(15) Obtain approval of the proper authority within respective directorate or subordinate organization.

(16) Provide the designated organization POC an electronic copy of all documents to upload in accordance with Appendix H. Designated organization POC will make administrative corrections, but will not change the content of the correspondence.

(17) Prepare and process TRADOC correspondence in compliance with regulatory guidance.

(18) Prepare letters of appreciation/commendation expeditiously (within 15 calendar days of the event). For actions that require sending a number of different letters or invitations, the following guidelines will expedite the process: When sending the same letter to multiple recipients, submit one draft letter or memorandum to SGS for review. Once reviewed, the action
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is returned to the proponent to complete the remaining letters/memorandums. Upload the entire package to the TKE Actions Library and notify SGS for signatures.

(19) Deliver signed or lined-through correspondence to addressees. If correspondence lists another THRU addressee, AO will deliver to that individual or office. Determine method of delivery based on sensitivity of contents, suspense dates, etc., to ensure expeditious receipt of correspondence. Options include e-mail, fax, regular mail, express mail, and courier. See Appendix I for access to and instruction for public e-mail distribution lists.

(a) To deliver correspondence or information to all HQ TRADOC subordinate commands and/or schools, centers, and activities, e-mail the action to the SGS-TRADOC and the XO-TRADOC distribution list for appropriate tracking and delivery to the respective command groups. If counterparts at subordinate activities are also working the action, inform their SGSs.

(b) E-mail critical and/or strategic-level actions to the TRADOC DCS and Chief of Special Staff Office via the TRADOC Staff Principals distribution list. Only staff principals should use this list.

(20) Upload a copy of the final response in accordance with Appendix H when a direct reply from an outside agency is received and notify SGS. For example, actions addressed to a HQDA agency that result in a direct reply to the proponent.

(21) Maintain and manage life-cycle recordkeeping requirements for the record copy of correspondence and electronic records in accordance with AR 25-400-2.

(22) While coordinating documents, mark predecisional (draft) versions with the “For Official Use Only” (FOUO) designation in accordance with AR 25-55 and AR 380-5. Mark draft documents (and other records such as photographs and media) FOUO in bold letters at least 3/16 of an inch at the bottom on the outside of the front cover, on each page, and on the outside of the back cover. The paragraphs containing the “For Official Use Only” information should also be marked with the initials FOUO.

(23) Program briefings and operating program progress reports are permanent records and will be maintained in accordance with ARIMS record numbers 5-10a and 5-10b.

f. Proponents will upload documents associated with CG, CS taskings, or ES actions for Command Group approval/signature in accordance with Appendix H. SACOs will make required administrative corrections, but will not change content.

g. Chief, Staff Actions Division (SAD) will:

(1) Task elements throughout TRADOC on non-operational taskings generated by the TRADOC CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS. Manage tasking continuity.

(2) Conduct mission analysis, assign actions to appropriate proponent in accordance with TR 10-5, and monitor suspense dates (see Figure 2-1 for a flow chart of the Command Group tasking process). Assign staff lead/assist(s) and immediately e-mail the CG, DCG/CoS, and DCoS taskings/requests for information to respective proponent with a cc to the AO (if known).
(3) Act as liaison between the Command Group and action offices concerning correspondence preparation and administrative procedures.

(4) Review all correspondence sent to the Command Group for administrative completeness and correctness, appropriate coordination, proper level of signature, and compliance with established policies.

(5) Date all correspondence the Command Group signs before returning to proponent for dispatch.

(6) Maintain electronic file copies of completed actions and return to originating proponent for dispatch.

(7) E-mail scanned correspondence signed or lined-through by the Command Group in response to HQDA taskings to G-33. Copy lead organization, including AO, if known, on e-mail to G-33. Deliver original signed/initialed correspondence to lead organization.

(8) Package and send Command Group correspondence addressed to SA, USA, CSA, VCSA, DAS, VDAS, or SMA on behalf of lead organizations and upload in to TMT.

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**Command Group Tasking Process**

Figure 2-1. Command Group tasking process
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h. Lead organizations will:

(1) Conduct a thorough mission analysis of the tasking and take responsibility for satisfactory completion of the tasking. Acknowledge tasking by putting POC name and phone number in block 20 of CATS tasking.

(2) For G-33 taskings, construct the tasking following the current TRADOC tasking order (TASKORD) format. (Appendix C)

(3) Accomplish all required communications and coordination, within the proponent organization, external and higher organizations, and across the command (see TR 10-5).

(4) Use the telephone directories/rosters provided at the Staff Action Officer Resource Center to contact all assist organizations within 1-duty day and identify their primary AO and his/her contact information.

(5) Identify and task additional organizations required to complete action.

(6) Ensure SGS staff action control officers (SACOs) are aware of time-sensitive actions to facilitate quick turnaround and tracking. Highlight the TF 5-E or attach a note that clearly states the reason why an action is time sensitive.

(7) For G-33 taskings, coordinate and approve requests for extension and courtesy copy G-33 Tasking Division at usarmy-jble.tradoc.mbx.eustis-g33-tasking@mail.mil on all extension requests and status.

i. Within 1-duty day, assist organizations will provide the lead organization their AO’s name, contact information, and provide in Block 20 of CATS tasker. Assist the lead, as directed/required, to complete the tasking.

j. Procedures to request transfer of lead:

(1) G-33 Taskings: If the assigned lead organization believes a tasking is outside its area of responsibility, within 2-duty days of receipt of tasking they will e-mail the XO of the organization they consider the appropriate lead (with a cc to the G-33 Tasking Office at usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.eustis-g33-tasking@mail.mil). The e-mail will include detailed justification for transfer of lead. The gaining organization has 1-duty day to assess the request for lead change and reply to the originating organization (with cc to the G-33 Tasking Office at usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.eustis-g33-tasking@mail.mil) of their acceptance/rejection. Transfer must occur within 3-duty days of the initial assignment of the tasking.

(a) If the gaining organization accepts the lead, G-33 will retask the action to the new lead and notify all concerned.

(b) If the tasked organization cannot gain concurrence from the new organization within 3-duty days, TRADOC Deputy Chief of Staff, DCS, G-3/5/7 (Operations, Plans, and Training) will make the final decision on the organization to assume the lead for completing the tasking.
(2) SGS Staff Actions Division: If the assigned lead organization believes a tasking is outside its area of responsibility, within 2-duty days of receipt of tasking they will e-mail the XO of the organization they consider the appropriate lead (with a cc to the Staff Action Division at usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.hq-tradoc-sad@mail.mil). The e-mail will include detailed justification for transfer of lead. The gaining organization has 1-duty day to assess the request for lead change and reply to the originating organization (with cc to the SGS SACO who issued the tasking) of their acceptance/rejection. Transfer must occur within 3-duty days of the initial assignment of the tasking.

(a) If the gaining organization accepts the lead, SGS Staff Actions Division will retask the action to the new lead and notify all concerned.

(b) If after 3-duty days no agreement is reached, Chief, SAD will determine the lead.

k. Requesting extensions:

(1) SGS procedures. TRADOC lead organizations may request a suspense extension for SGS taskings (CS or CG prefix). Requests will be accepted from organization principals or their deputies/XOs only. AOs should request an extension in an e-mail to the lead organization, with justification for extension, which will then forward it to the Staff Actions Division. Subordinate organization commanders/deputies/XOs and HQ TRADOC staff DCSs/XOs will send request via e-mail to the SGS organizational mailbox at usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.hq-tradoc-sad@mail.mil. Copy the individual SACO who initiated the tasking. Include the CATS control number, a detailed reason for the request, and an estimated date for completion. Only the SGS, in coordination with the Command Group, may grant extensions for CG and CS taskings.

(2) G-33 procedures. TRADOC lead organizations may request a suspense extension for G-33 taskings. The requests must specify the rationale to support justification of the extension, the CATS control number, the subject of the tasking, the original suspense date, and the estimated date of completion. Base the rationale for requesting the extension upon the AO/subject matter expert mission analysis of the tasking and what is required to provide a complete response.

(a) For EX taskings originated by HQDA, Joint Staff, or other non-TRADOC agencies, the TRADOC organization assigned as the lead for TRADOC will submit the request for extension of suspense date directly to the external POC and cc: G-33 TRADOC Tasking (usarmy-jble.tradoc.mbx.eustis-g33-tasking@mail.mil). For HQDA (ARSTAFF) taskings, refer to DA Memo 25-52. For Joint Action Control Office (JACO) tasking from the Joint Staff, refer to DA Memo 1-18. Both references are available via the TKE portal to TRADOC SGS site’s Staff Action Officer Resource Center. TRADOC assist agencies will coordinate directly with the TRADOC Lead organization.

(b) For IN or OP taskings, the TRADOC organizations assigned as assists will coordinate directly with the TRADOC lead organization.

(3) Interim responses are encouraged and will contain acknowledgment of the requirement/request, plan of action/approach, milestones, and an estimated date of completion. For guidance on interim responses to TRADOC CG taskings, see paragraph 2-2d.
2-4. Operational Tasking Process (G-33)

G-33 Operational Actions Tasking Section is responsible for processing and tracking all Internal (IN) and External (EX) taskings assigned to TRADOC until completion. Specific instructions for both IN and EX tasks are discussed below.

a. Draft operations orders must be approved by originating organization’s general officer (GO)/senior executive service (SES) and submitted to G-3/5/7 for the DCS G-3/5/7’s approval. Once approved, operations orders are placed in CATS for digital distribution.

b. IN Taskings:

   (1) Originate and task units within TRADOC only (NOT taskings from TRADOC CG, DCG/CoS, DCoS, or Commander’s Planning Group). IN taskings must be tasked to organizations external to originator’s organization and require significant resources, involve changes in policy, generate new policy, or require formal concurrence/comment.

   (2) Taskings are not required for routine staffing. Examples are a TRADOC subordinate organization tasking another; a TRADOC subordinate organization tasking the HQ TRADOC staff; a TRADOC subordinate organization/HQ TRADOC tasking a special activity; or a HQ TRADOC staff office tasking another HQ TRADOC staff office.

   (a) The draft TASKORD format (Appendix C) is used to develop IN taskings. When time permits, the task originator should coordinate the draft TASKORD with all assist elements prior to publishing to prevent unnecessary conflicts and ensure the tasks and timeline are feasible/supportable.

   (b) Establishing a suspense. Draft TASKORDs with suspenses within 30 to 15 days require COL/GS-15 approval. Draft TASKORDs with suspenses under 15 days require GO/SES approval.

   (c) Draft TASKORD must include a distribution list customized for the order. TASKORD distribution is not normally to all of TRADOC and is tailored to those TRADOC subordinate organizations affected by the order.

3) TaskDisposition. Assist elements request extensions through the task lead identified in Para 5A on the TASKORD, if more time is required for task completion. The originator will notify TRADOC G-33 taskings via email at usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.eustis-g33-tasking@mail.mil to extend the suspense date in CATS. The task originator will also notify G-33 taskings section via email at usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.eustis-g33-tasking@mail.mil when the IN Task is complete for closure in CATS.

c. EX Taskings originate from outside TRADOC and usually come through the HQDA TMT System. TMT assigns TRADOC as either the Office of Primary Responsibility (OPR/Lead) or as the Office of Coordinating Responsibility (OCR/Assist).

   (1) When TRADOC is the OPR, the assigned TRADOC lead organization provides the
lead AO/POC information for input into TMT to enable coordination with all external organizations. The TRADOC lead will also input the AO/POC information into CATS Block 20 to enable coordination with all TRADOC internal organizations.

(2) TRADOC lead must identify all the assist organizations (inside and outside of TRADOC) to ensure the response is fully coordinated to provide a complete consolidated response. TRADOC lead requests external OCRs (e.g. FORSCOM) from G-33 taskings via email at usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.eustis-g33-tasking@mail.mil.

(a) TRADOC G-33 taskings will assign OCRs using the HQDA TMT System with instructions to coordinate their response to the identified TRADOC lead POC (AO/POC information provided via TMT).

(b) When possible, TRADOC G-33 Taskings will forward the TMT task information to the potential TRADOC lead for analysis and recommendation of assist organizations. The lead can develop a TRADOC TASKORD to provide amplified information/instructions to the TRADOC assist organizations.

(c) EX taskings going forward to the “Top 4” (SA, CSA, VCSA, and USA) require a completely filled out HQDA Form 5 to show coordination.

d. Task re-directs: Within 2 working days the assigned lead will notify TRADOC G-33 taskings noting they should not be the task lead and if possible recommend a replacement lead. After 2 working days it is the responsibility of the assigned lead to coordinate a replacement lead and forward the acceptance email to usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.eustis-g33-tasking@mail.mil.
2-5. Readahead

a. Readaheads are a special type of staff action forwarded with the TF 5-E, tasked on short notice (less than 10 duty days), that require immediate action. Readaheads prepare the CG for trips, visits of military/civilian dignitaries, or briefings.

b. A complete readahead is critical to the success of CG calendar events. Readaheads MUST FOCUS THE CG's NEEDS--NOT JUST COVER BACKGROUND INFORMATION. Include only essential items, using 3 to 4 key points the CG should know before the meeting. As the CG has limited time to review a readahead, ensure all pertinent issues are covered succinctly in the executive overview.

c. All readaheads must contain an executive overview. See Appendix D on how to prepare readaheads.

2-6. Command Group notification, review, or approval
Proponents will notify the Command Group of these specific items of interest that require Command Group notification, review, approval, and/or signature:

a. Any meetings involving subordinate commanders or commandants that provide less than 30 calendar days notification must have DCoS approval.
b. Outgoing correspondence making personal reference to CG (CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS SENDS, PERSONAL FOR messages, or any correspondence using first person in reference to CG or DCG/CoS). Only the CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS may release such correspondence.

c. Responses to incoming communications addressed personally to CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS unless directed otherwise.

d. Correspondence to and from:

   (1) The President, Vice President, Members of Congress, national and state governments, and other important civilian officials.

   (2) CSA, VCSA, or any commander or deputy commander of an ACOM. Note: Responses for CSA and VCSA also require an HQDA Form 5.

   (3) DA staff principals (for example, Corps of Engineers; HQDA DCS, G-1; HQDA DCS, G-2; HQDA DCS, G-3/5/7).

   (4) TRADOC Center of Excellence commanders or school commandants.

e. Nonconcurrences and disapprovals.

   (1) Nonconcurrence of actions proposed by higher HQ or other ACOMs.

   (2) Disapproval of actions proposed by subordinate commands.

f. TRADOC administrative publications that establish new policy, revise existing policy, delegate authority, or assign responsibility (that is, TRADOC supplements to ARs, regulations, circulars, and memorandums) require DCoS approval after Office of the Staff Judge Advocate (OSJA) and G-6 Publications Control Officer coordination. See TR 25-35 for additional instructions on preparing and coordinating administrative publications. Publish new policies or a major change to existing policies in the appropriate publications medium.

g. Communications that affect the good name or reputation of an officer or organization.

h. Communications that convey even a suggestion of censure, including errors, deficiencies, or irregularities that higher headquarters or other ACOMs allege.

i. Reports of significant financial or property irregularities.

j. Serious accidents or incidents involving members of the command or occurring at subordinate organizations, special activities, FOAs, schools and centers, and HQ TRADOC in accordance with TR 1-8.

k. Communications of exceptional information or importance that require prompt command attention or that existing policy does not cover (as the DCS/staff office chiefs determine).
l. Any assignment, reassignment, or relief-for-cause actions involving senior officers or noncommissioned officers.

m. Requests for other than permanent change of station travel on military aircraft by Family Members of military personnel, government civilian employees, U.S. civilians without federal employment status, or foreign dignitaries and their entourage.

n. Requests for approval of outside continental United States (OCONUS) temporary duty (TDY) or overseas conference travel. See para 2-19.

o. Reports of annual general inspections of TRADOC subordinate activities.

p. Recommended decorations and awards for CG or DCG/CoS approval.

2-7. Signature blocks/complimentary closings

a. AR 25-50, Chapter 6, section II, provides guidelines on signature blocks. Signature blocks begin at the center of the page, on the fifth line below the authority line or last line of text. See Figure 2-3 for generic CG, DCG/CoS, DCoS, and CSM signature blocks.

b. Use "Sincerely" as the complimentary closing on all letters addressed to military and civilian equivalents or subordinates that the CG, DCG/CoS, and DCoS signs. Use "Very respectfully" when addressing the CSA, VCSA, Members of Congress, or higher authorities, as well as retired four-star GOs. For additional guidance on forms of address, salutations, and complimentary closings, see AR 25-50, Appendix D.

c. Current CG, DCG/CoS, DCoS, and CSM signature blocks are available at the Staff Action Officer Resource Center.
COMMANDING GENERAL

Military correspondence, e.g., memorandums
(Use TRADOC letterhead.)

JOHN A. SMITH, JR.
General, U.S. Army
Commanding

For Memorandums of Understanding/Agreement

JOHN A. SMITH, JR.
General, U.S. Army
Commanding General
U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command

_______________________________
(Date)

DEPUTY COMMANDING GENERAL/CHIEF OF STAFF

Military correspondence, e.g., memorandums
(Use TRADOC letterhead.)

JOHN A. SMITH, JR.
Lieutenant General, U.S. Army
Deputy Commanding General/Chief of Staff

For Memorandums of Understanding/Agreement

JOHN A. SMITH, JR.
Lieutenant General, U.S. Army
Deputy Commanding General/Chief of Staff
U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command

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(Date)

Figure 2-3. Generic CG, DCG/CoS, DCoS, and CSM signature blocks
DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF

Military correspondence, e.g., memorandums (Use TRADOC letterhead.)

JOHN A. SMITH, JR.
Major General, U.S. Army
Deputy Chief of Staff

For Memorandums of Understanding/Agreement

JOHN A. SMITH, JR.
Major General, U.S. Army
Deputy Chief of Staff
U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command

_______________________________
(Date)

COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR

Military Correspondence, e.g., memorandums (Use TRADOC letterhead.)

JOHN A. SMITH, JR.
CSM, U.S. Army
Command Sergeant Major

Figure 2-3. Generic CG, DCG/CoS, DCoS, and CSM signature blocks, continued

2-8. Suspenses

a. The SGS designates the proponent for all Command Group taskings. Chief, Tasking Division, G-33 designates the proponent for internal, external, and operational taskings.

b. Suspenses of less than 30-calendar days require approval by a colonel or civilian of equivalent grade (except those higher HQ directs). Internal suspenses of 15-calendar days or less require TRADOC G-3/5/7 approval.

c. Unless otherwise indicated, items for CG approval, information, review, or signature are assigned a 5-duty day suspense and a control number.

d. Items for DCG/CoS and DCoS approval, information, review, or signature are generally assigned a suspense of 5-duty days and a CS CATS control number.
e. When staff offices cannot meet suspenses, the organization principal, deputy, or XO may request an extension. See para 2-3k for detailed instructions on requesting extensions.

f. Written congressional inquiries normally have a 5-duty day suspense from the date of receipt. Ensure inquiries are processed expeditiously.

(1) In coordination with CAO, SGS will task and track congressional inquiries. The task overview outlines the inquiry processing instructions and requested deliverable. CAO will provide preformatted response templates to the AO with congressional member addressing instructions and general guidance for use in responding to inquiries.

(2) Task leads will staff and coordinate response with agencies listed as assists when appropriate, as well as the local OSJA for legal review when deemed necessary. Staff all draft replies with CAO AO and cc the SGS SACO prior to final signature.

(3) For time-sensitive e-mail or telephone inquiries, CAO will coordinate directly with appropriate TRADOC legislative coordinators or, as necessary, the organization CoS via telephone or e-mail in ascertaining a response.

(4) Tasked inquiries have a 5-duty day suspense. However, there may be a circumstance where an extension is required. Tasked agencies seeking an extension will immediately notify the SGS SACO and CAO AO with the reason for the extension request. CAO will seek approval for extensions directly from HQDA, Office of the Chief of Legislative Liaison.

(5) When circumstances prevent a final or draft reply by the suspense date, provide an interim reply. The interim reply will acknowledge receipt of the inquiry, contain as much information that is available at the time, inform the congressional member of the reason for the delay (if appropriate), and set a specific time period for a final response. These instances are rare and reserved for very complex issues that require additional time to prepare an adequate answer.

(6) Delegation of signature authority for routine inquiries is typically at the colonel or civilian equivalent level. Signature by position (for example, CoS) is appropriate when the tasked office does not have a colonel or civilian equivalent available for signature. For inquiries that have SA, USA, CSA, or VCSA interest, CAO may recommend a higher signature level (for example CG, DCOs, Deputy to the CG, etc.).

(7) E-mail CAO for further guidance or questions concerning responding to or processing congressional inquiries at usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.hq-tradoc-cao@mail.mil.

2-9. Note taking and suspenses for CG forums
CG taskings. It is important to make note of any guidance, taskings, and/or observations the CG provides in various venues (for example, during meetings, video teleconferences (VTCs), visits, conferences, discussions enroute, etc.). To ensure unity of effort and maintain visibility, responsible staff lead will, within 2-duty days, e-mail a summary of significant issues that arose to SGS for dissemination, with cc to the CG XO and CPG Chief. Highlight only significant CG guidance, decisions, and taskings and provide the who, what, when, where, and why of the event. Prior to adjournment, the lead will confirm the list of taskings by the CG. See Figure 2-4 for
notes and tasking memorandum format for providing this information to the SGS. The CG notes and taskers are released by your staff principal or deputy.

a. CG calendar event (office, Morelli, VTC, etc.). Upon approval by staff principal or deputy, staff lead submits an e-mail summary of CG decisions, taskings, and/or guidance to SGS within 2-duty days.

b. CG VTC with all commanders (with no staff lead). The CPG representative submits an e-mail summary of decisions, taskings, and/or guidance to SGS within 2-duty days.

c. CG-directed conference. Staff lead submits a summary not later than 5-duty days in memorandum format for DCG/CoS to send to all commanders/coordinating staff.

d. CG installation visits. The installation representative/lead compiles a comprehensive trip report to include CG decisions, taskings, and/or guidance and submits it to SGS with cc to CG XO and CPG Chief within 2 duty days of return from travel.

e. CG attendance at CSA conferences. CPG Chief or CG’s XO will record taskings and forward them to SGS for dissemination.

f. CG discussions enroute. Recipient of decisions, taskings, and/or guidance sends an e-mail within 2-duty days to SGS with cc to CG XO and CPG Chief.

g. Key points:

   (1) Lead organization will designate an AO to record notes and taskings issued by the CG at the meeting.

   (2) Prior to adjournment, the lead will confirm the list of taskings by the CG.

   (3) AO will specify the format for the deliverable (for example, EXSUM, briefing, memorandum, decision memorandum, etc.) of the specific tasking. See Chapter 4 for guidance on conferences and taskings.

   (4) AO will prepare notes and taskings memorandum recommending leads and suspenses. (Figure 2-4.)

   (5) Upon approval by staff principal or deputy, send final memorandum to SGS for tasking out any official taskers.

2-10. Note taking and suspenses for Deputy Commanding General (DCG)/Chief of Staff (CoS) and Deputy Chief of Staff (DCoS) forums

a. DCG/CoS taskings. Responsible staff lead will serve as note taker and e-mail SGS a summary of significant issues and taskings directed by the DCG/CoS during any venue (for example, meetings, VTCs, visits, conferences, discussions enroute, etc.) for dissemination within 2-duty days. Prior to adjournment the lead will confirm the list of taskings by the DCG/CoS.
b. DCoS taskings. Responsible staff lead will serve as note taker and e-mail SGS a summary of significant issues and taskings directed by the DCoS during any venue (for example, meetings, VTCs, visits, conferences, discussions enroute, etc.) for dissemination within 2-duty days. Prior to adjournment, the lead will confirm the list of taskings by the DCoS.

Figure 2-4. Memo format for CG notes and taskings
2-11. Staff assistance
All taskings initiated through SGS or G-33 will identify a lead, as well as staff sections and/or subordinate commands or activities that may need to provide assistance to the lead. On occasion, the initial tasking may not identify all assist staff sections. A good staff requires a "one team" mindset when it comes to assisting others in completing taskers. Even if a DCS or special staff office is not identified on the original tasker, consider the request from the staff lead as a valid requirement. Resolve conflicts at the XO/deputy assistant level before bringing an issue to G-33/SGS level.

2-12. Coordinating staff actions
Staff actions must be coordinated both within the lead organization (internal coordination) and with other TRADOC organizations that have an interest in the action (external coordination). For subordinate organizations, the chief of staff or higher must provide his/her name for concurrence/nonconcurrence on an action. For HQ TRADOC organizations, the deputy chief of staff or assistant deputy chief of staff must provide his/her name for concurrence/nonconcurrence on an action. That individual should initial and date the TF 5-E in the appropriate space. A note indicating the individual’s name and the date of his/her review is acceptable. Also see paragraph 2-3b for AO responsibilities in the staff action process.

a. Internal coordination (within the lead organization).

(1) The lead organization’s staff will electronically or pen and ink initials and date TF 5-E, block 8 to indicate the organization’s internal chain of approval. For example, entries might include branch chief, division chief, deputy, and director.

(2) The releasing authority for each level within the lead organization will either electronically or pen and ink sign and date the action for forwarding to the next appropriate (usually the next higher) office.

(3) The signature in block 8 “PRINCIPAL” must be the individual responsible for releasing the action to the TRADOC Command Group. This is the most senior person in the organization. The principal block must be completed before forwarding through SGS to the Command Group. Ensure all required coordination has been completed prior to principal block being signed. If the senior person is unavailable, his/her deputy or XO may sign in the principal block.

b. External coordination (outside the lead organization). All staff actions going to the Command Group must be coordinated with TRADOC organizations that have an interest in the action.

(1) Lead organizations must consider actions from the CG’s, DCG/CoS or DCoS’ viewpoint. What organizations will the CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS expect to have reviewed the action? Whose input will they want as they consider their decision?

(2) Any organization directly affected by the action or having expertise in the subject matter must be given the opportunity to review it. Often an action crosses several disciplines and must be reviewed by multiple organizations.
(3) Coordinate actions that involve training, education, operational plans, accessions, and operations with TRADOC G-3/5/7.

(4) Coordinate actions that impact the TRADOC budget with TRADOC G-8.

(5) Coordinate memorandum of agreement/understanding with TRADOC G-8 and OSJA.

(6) Coordinate actions that involve a regulatory or legal issue with TRADOC OSJA.

(7) Coordinate actions that involve leader development with U.S. Army Combined Arms Center and TRADOC G-3/5/7.

(8) Coordinate actions that impact strategic communications with Public Affairs Office (PAO), CPG, CAO, and DCS, G-9.

(9) Coordinate actions with resource impacts with the TRADOC DCS, G-8.

(10) Coordinate actions having an environmental impact with TRADOC DCS, G-1/4 and TRADOC DCS, G-3/5/7.

(11) Coordinate all congressional actions with TRADOC CAO and OSJA.

(12) Coordinate health- or medical-related actions with TRADOC Surgeon.

(13) Coordinate actions with Reserve/National Guard issues with Office of the DCG, U.S. Army Reserve and/or Office of the DCG, Army National Guard.

(14) Coordinate administrative publications and updates to existing publications with TRADOC DCS, G-6 Publications Officer. Do this prior to the coordination process in accordance with TR 25-35, paragraph 3-1.

(15) Use rosters posted at Staff Action Officer Resource Center to facilitate coordination.

(16) Coordinate actions with Initial Military Traing (IMT) impacts with the CIMT, G-3/5/7, USAREC, and USACC if the staff action involves enlisted or officer accessions.

(17) Coordinate actions involving Army Futures Command (AFC) with G-3/5/7.

(18) Coordinate actions involving enlisted accessions with USAREC and G-3/5/7.

(19) Coordinate actions involving officer accessions with USACC and G-3/5/7.

c. Other coordination requirements.

(1) Type names, titles, phone numbers, and dates of concurrence/nonconcurrence in block 9 of the TF 5-E.
(2) The DCS, deputy, or organization command group must sign nonconcurrences and considerations of nonconcurrency.

(3) Coordinate scheduling of all conferences/major briefings with TRADOC DCS, G-3/5/7 (G-33 Current Operations) to avoid conflicts on the TRADOC enterprise calendar.

(4) Coordinate major ceremonies with Executive Services Office (ESO) and G-3/5/7.

(5) Keep DCGs and CSMs informed; coordinate actions as appropriate.

(6) Consult TR 10-5 and TR 10-5-1 for functional areas of responsibility across TRADOC.

(7) Do not limit your coordination to subordinate or even lateral organizations. When called for, Centers of Excellence should coordinate with other Centers of Excellence and also with the TRADOC headquarters staff and subordinate organizations. In other words, think outside your organizational box.

(8) Simultaneous coordination is encouraged. Use e-mail, portals, and other electronic tools to share documents and collect responses.

(9) List the agency and name of the person giving the coordination on the TF 5-E in block 9, Staff Coordination. Check the concur or non-concur block. Include the person’s phone number, date of concurrence/nonconcurrence, and any appropriate remarks. The Action Officer is responsible for keeping all records of coordination on action.

(10) Staff actions with Reserve component (RC) and/or resource (manpower, dollars, or environmental) impact will describe how the action will affect the RC and/or TRADOC in terms of resources in a separate paragraph on TF 5-E, block 7, Discussion section. Coordinate staff actions that have RC impact with Office of the DCG, U.S. Army Reserve/Office of the DCG, Army National Guard.

(11) Organizations asked to provide coordination have 2-duty days to give their concurrence/nonconcurrence. The review and “chop” must be from a senior individual of the organization. For subordinate organizations, the chief of staff or higher must provide his/her name for concurrence/nonconcurrence on an action. For HQ TRADOC organizations, the deputy chief of staff or assistant deputy chief of staff must provide his/her name for concurrence/nonconcurrence on an action. That individual should initial and date the TF 5-E in the appropriate space. A note indicating the individual’s name and the date of his/her review is acceptable.

d. Nonconcurrences.

(1) If an organization nonconcurs with comments and the nonconcurrency cannot be resolved, the lead organization will include those comments at a tab in the action packet. The lead organization will make every effort to resolve nonconcurrences. This may require coordination between SGSs, AOs, and the author of the nonconcur comments. If, after careful consideration, the lead organization rejects the suggestions of the nonconcurring organization
and chooses to maintain the action as written, the originating action office will prepare a consideration of nonconcurrence memorandum and attach it as the last tab to the staff action. The originating AO will address each nonconcurrence separately based on its own merit. Prepare only one consideration of nonconcurrence memorandum. DCSs and special staff office chiefs or their deputies will sign all nonconcurrences and considerations of nonconcurrence. In all cases, the lead organization is responsible for the content of the action.

(2) There is no designated format for conveying nonconcurrences. E-mail comments will suffice. A copy of the e-mail can be placed under a tab in the action.

(3) Concurrence with comment is only allowed to provide additional information, not to set conditions for concurrence. Conditional concurrences are not authorized.

(4) The TRADOC OSJA and TRADOC G-8 will review all memorandums of agreement (MOAs) and memorandums of understanding (MOUs) before submitting to SGS for processing.

(5) The SGS Administrative Support Division and Executive Services Office will review requests to expend .0012 funds before submitting to SGS for processing.

2-13. Correspondence distribution

a. If offices both external and internal to the HQ receive the correspondence, the AO will determine whether to show the internal distribution on the original correspondence.

b. When addressing correspondence to all addressed to TRADOC subordinate activities and deputy chiefs of general staff and chiefs of special staff offices, type distribution list as shown in Figure 2-5.

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<th>DISTRIBUTION:</th>
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<td>U.S. Army Soldier Support Institute</td>
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<td>Asymmetric Warfare Group</td>
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<td>Commandants, TRADOC Schools</td>
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<td>Director Rapid Equipping Force</td>
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<td>Deputy Chiefs of General Staff and Chiefs of Special Staff Offices, HQ TRADOC</td>
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</tbody>
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Figure 2-5. Distribution list for correspondence
TRADOC Regulation 1-11

c. The TRADOC SGS/G-3 POC and HQ TRADOC POC rosters identify TRADOC subordinate activities and key HQ coordinating staff. They are located at the Staff Action Officer Resource Center under Telephone Directories/Rosters.

d. To determine correct addresses use:


(2) TRADOC Senior Leaders Contact List. SGS SAD posts TRADOC Senior Leaders Contact List updates at the Staff Action Officer Resource Center under Telephone Directories/Rosters.

2-14. Abbreviations and acronyms
Use acronyms in correspondence except when writing to individuals or organizations not familiar with their use. The first time an abbreviation, brevity code, or acronym (ABCA) is used in text, spell it out and follow it with the abbreviation in parentheses. Thereafter, use the acronym. Use the electronic version of authorized ABCA database located at https://www.rmda.army.mil/records-management/RMDA-RM-Programs-Abbreviations.html for Army-approved ABCAs. See GOP style manual or APD link for examples of acceptable and unacceptable capitalization of meanings of abbreviations, brevity codes, and acronyms.

2-15. Type font and size
Use Arial font, size 12 for all correspondence.

2-16. Identification of point of contact (POC)
POC information is generally placed in the last paragraph of the correspondence: military rank or civilian prefix, last name only, office/organization, Defense Switch Network (DSN) phone number, commercial phone number, and e-mail. For example, “Point of contact is Mr. Sample, Office of the DCS, G-1/4, DSN 501-XXXX, (757) 501-XXXX, joe.a.sample.civ@mail.mil”.

2-17. Distinguished visitors (DV)

a. Visits to HQ TRADOC. Distinguished visitor visit approval authority is the DCG/CoS. DV visit requests are approved during regularly scheduled visit update briefings with the DCG/CoS. If a visit requires a lead assigned prior to a regularly scheduled meeting with the DCG/CoS, the visit request will be coordinated through the DCoS. (See Chapter 6 for policy on ethnic/special observances and recurring events.) The request will include the type of visit/event, the objectives, the visitor's biography, and the 5Ws. (See TRADOC Memorandum 1-16 for additional distinguished visitor information.) Along with ESO, the staff lead will attend the bi-weekly meeting with the DCG/CoS and brief all aspects of the visit or event.

(1) Upon DCG/CoS approval:

(a) If there is Command Group involvement, the staff lead will prepare a readahead for the CG, DCG/CoS, and/or DCoS, as appropriate, and conduct in-process review(s) (IPR) as required.
(b) If there is no Command Group involvement, the staff lead will prepare a readahead for
the host and conduct IPR as required.

(c) Ensure the visit or event is added to the TRADOC Enterprise Calendar (TEC).

(2) Upon DCG/CoS disapproval, proponent will notify all concerned. See Figure 2-6 for
flow chart of process.

b. GOs, active and retired, in the rank of lieutenant general and above; civilian equivalents;
and/or foreign dignitary visits to subordinate commands and/or activities. Electronically report
initial notification of distinguished visitors through installation protocol channels on a weekly
basis to ESO via e-mail to usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.hq-tradoc-eso.

c. Member of Congress and professional staffer visits to subordinate command and/or
activities. Electronically report initial notification of congressional visitors to the CAO office via
e-mail to usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.hq-congressional-activities-offi@mail.mil. After the visit,
submit an EXSUM via the “Reporting Contacts with Congress” feature on the CAO SharePoint
site.

![Flow chart of the process](image-url)

**Figure 2-6. Distinguished visitors/major events**
2-18. Memorandums of agreement (MOAs), memorandums of understanding (MOUs), support agreements, and service level agreements (SLAs)

a. HQ TRADOC G-8 provides administrative policy and guidance, and assists TRADOC organizations in the development, review, and staffing of MOAs, MOUs, and other support agreements to include DD Form 1144 (Support Agreements), Inter and Intra-agency Support Agreements, and SLAs. DoDI 4000.19, Support Agreements will be used for required content in the development of agreements. Both DoDI 4000.19 and AR 25-50 will be used for formatting requirements of agreements.

(1) MOA: An MOA will be used to document the specific terms and responsibilities that two or more parties agree to in writing. MOAs between outside organizations and TRADOC organizations which involve command level agreements which apply across TRADOC equities (e.g., mission categories such as Training Development, Leader Development, Training Support, Aviation, Fires, Maneuver, Function Training, Futures, Capability Development, Combat Development) or organizations must be approved and signed by the DCG/CoS to ensure HQ TRADOC is part of the coordination or decision process for such agreements.

(a) MOAs that involve reimbursable support paid by TRADOC, signature authority is delegated in accordance with thresholds prescribed in TR 5-14, Acquisition Management and Oversight.

(b) MOAs that establish responsibilities for providing reimbursable support will be supplemented with a DD Form 1144 that defines the support, basis for reimbursement for each category of support, the billing and payment process, and other terms and conditions of the agreement.

(2) MOU: An MOU will be used to document issues of general understanding between two or more parties that do not involve reimbursement. Except for significant policy agreements, approval authority for MOUs is delegated to TRADOC subordinate organizations, core function leads, Center of Excellence Commanders, TRADOC DCGs, personal and special staff officers, and FOAs. The TRADOC SJA will review all MOUs prior to approval by the designated HQ TRADOC staff elements. MOUs approved by other TRADOC authorities will be reviewed by their servicing SJA prior to approval. Memorandums that define general areas of understanding between two or more parties and do not require reimbursement or other support from the receiver do not require a DD Form 1144.

(3) SLAs and support agreements: SLAs and support agreements between outside organizations and TRADOC organizations will be approved and signed using the thresholds outlined in TR 5-14. DD Form 1144 will be used to document recurring reimbursable or non-recurring reimbursable support. DD Form 1144 will not be used to document only non-reimbursable support unless both parties agree to its use in lieu of an MOA.

b. TRADOC organizations executing MOAs, MOUs, SLAs, and support agreements will:

(1) At a minimum ensure staffing review by the organization G-8 and SJA prior to signature and initiation of an agreement.
(2) Ensure agreements are not effective until at least 45 days after final signature.

(3) Ensure final signed copies of all agreements are provided to the TRADOC Deputy Chief of Staff, G-8 NLT 30 days prior to the effective date of the agreement.

(4) Ensure a unique identifier (e.g., number or alpha-numeric) is assigned to each support agreement.

(5) Maintain MOA, MOU, support agreement, and SLA records will be maintained in accordance with ARIMS record number 5b1 or 5b2.

   c. Signatories on support agreements will be commensurate (i.e., rank and level of authority are equivalent) between the parties (e.g., grade of colonel (O-6) to GS-15 (to include GG), and general officer to SES).

   d. TRADOC organizations processing support agreements requiring CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS approval will record such approvals on the TF 5-E.

   e. HQ TRADOC G-8 will review all agreements and modifications prior to approval by the CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS and maintain a repository of all TRADOC support agreements.

2-19. Approval of outside continental United States (OCONUS) temporary duty (TDY) or overseas conference travel

   a. Submit requests on TF 712-R-E, Request for Official OCONUS Temporary Duty Travel. See Department of Defense (DOD) 4500.54-G, Department of Defense Foreign Clearance Guide (https://www.fcg.pentagon.mil), and AR 55-46 (Travel Overseas) Chapter 8, for guidance on submitting requests for OCONUS TDY or overseas conference travel.

   b. HQ TRADOC personnel will submit a completed TF 712-R-E (Request for Official OCONUS Temporary Duty Travel) and any documentation required by the DOD Foreign Clearance Guide to TRADOC Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1/4 (Personnel and Logistics) (ATBO-BP) at least 60 calendar days prior to travel.

   c. Include detailed itinerary, purpose, and POC for each location/facility to be visited. Requests for travel based on invitations, previously approved clearances, or those initiated by other ACOMs will include copies of such documentation with the request.

   d. Coordinating staff will notify CG, TRADOC of the reason and intent for all OCONUS TDY. The CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS may want to meet with coordinating staff prior to their departure.

   e. Traveler must verify current Antiterrorism Level I Awareness training and completion of area of responsibility brief for country destined for travel in accordance with AR 525-13.

2-20. Rename Subject of Links to Scanned .pdf, .jpg, .tif, and .xps documents
When emailing scanned documents as attachments, users will rename the subject lines to indicate the content of the document. Scanners automatically assign generic subject lines to links for
Chapter 3
U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) Forms (TFs) and Correspondence Formats

3-1. Guidelines
This chapter prescribes specific forms and formats to use within HQ TRADOC. Use HQ TRADOC letterhead stationery for military correspondence, annotated with the proponent’s office symbol. Use personal stationery for letters (for example, CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS letterhead). Templates are available on the TRADOC Web site at https://hq.tradoc.army.mil/SAORC/default.aspx. The following general guidelines apply to all staff actions:

a. Always use editing and proofreading tools available (that is, spelling and grammar check) as an initial step in the proofreading process.

b. Review correspondence to ensure document preparation follows guidelines in AR 25-50, is error free, and ready for Command Group signature/approval prior to submission to SGS.

c. Maintain appropriate tracking, route initial actions, and those returned for corrections through SGS Staff Actions Division. Do not take actions directly to Command Group offices.

d. If the CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS returns an action directly to the AO or director, bypassing SGS, the recipient will alert SGS to the action’s status and location. Use documents stored in the TKE Actions Library to edit or correct the correspondence, if required. If the CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS requires a response, forward through SGS.

e. Provide SGS an electronic copy of action by uploading it in your organization's folder on the TKE Website in accordance with Appendix H. SACO will make administrative corrections, but will return staff actions to action officer that require substantive changes or contain inordinate amount of errors for rewrite and/or corrections. Upload the corrected documents to your organization’s folder and notify SGS once they are resubmitted. Remove older versions to ensure only one working document is maintained.

3-2. Assembling a staff action (for actions that cannot be posted to the TRADOC Knowledge Environment (TKE) Actions Library)

a. Assemble all staff actions, except readaheads, as shown in Figure 3-1. Do not use plastic executive cover sheets. Ensure tabs are consecutive and explained in order on the TF 5-E. Refer to Table D-1 when assembling readaheads.

b. First tab (TAB A): Document requiring signature, approval, or line-thru. If the action includes a HQDA Form 5, place it at TAB A. If action is the submission of an information paper only, place the paper at TAB A. When transmitting more than one document for signature or approval with TF 5-E, attach the separate documents as tabs A-1, A-2, A-3, etc. When multiple letters similar in content require signature, forward the TF 5-E with only one letter for signature and a listing of other addressees/proposed salutations who will receive similar letters. Once SGS reviews/edits the letter, the document is returned to the originating staff office to prepare the
remaining memorandums or letters. Entire package is returned to SGS to process for signature on the remaining correspondence.

c. Second tab (TAB B): Originating document (correspondence or tasking) that generated the action, if applicable. If TAB A is a response, TAB B contains the original correspondence that generated the action.

d. Subsequent tabs: Attach detailed background material required for complete understanding of the action or material that expands on items discussed in the body of TF 5-E. Use succeeding tabs in the order mentioned on TF 5-E. Use pertinent extracts of lengthy publications and reference documents, including messages.

e. Assemble any enclosure printed in landscape mode (printed along the long axis of the paper) with the head of the document to the left so that when the entire package is rotated clockwise and the enclosure is right-side up. Most common enclosures are paper copies of briefing slides.

Figure 3-1. Assembling a hard copy staff action

TF 5-E (Transmittal, Action and Control) accompanies staff actions processed for Command Group information, signature, or approval. The current version of this form is posted on the
TRADOC Regulation 1-11

TRADOC Website. Use of TF 5-E ensures correct tracking of staff actions within CATS and provides an official record of approvals/disapprovals. CGAC retains a file copy. Pay special attention when preparing TF 5-E because it is more than just an administrative tool to track, record, and file. Ensure the information is well thought out and succinct so the CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS can quickly review a summary of the details they need to know at their level before taking the requested action. Obtain the appropriate coordination and approval/release signature(s) within your organization before forwarding to SGS. A well-prepared TF 5-E eliminates the need to return the package for corrections and ensures speedy processing through the Command Group and signature/approval of the action without questions. See Appendix E for instructions on completing TF 5-E.

3-4. Executive summary (EXSUM)
Use EXSUMs to provide information, updates, and interim responses to the Command Group. Whenever possible, use EXSUMs instead of information papers.

a. Procedures. Requests for EXSUMs are tasked in accordance with procedures in paragraph 2-3c.

b. EXSUM format (see Figure 3-2). The TRADOC EXSUM format matches the HQDA EXSUM format shown in DA Memo 25-52, Staff Action Process and Correspondence Policies.

(1) Do not exceed 15 lines.

(2) The EXSUM will be one paragraph, marked with the appropriate classification in bold centered at the top and bottom of the page. A separate classification for the title is also required.

(3) In the first sentence, state reason for EXSUM. Do not use or refer to attachments in the EXSUM. Spell out all acronyms when first used.

c. Begin typing the originator’s name and contact information at the center of the page as shown in Figure 3-2.

d. Type "APPROVED BY: Rank/Mr./Mrs./Ms. Surname" one line below originator’s name and contact information.

e. DCSs and chiefs of special staff offices and organization command groups will forward EXSUMs, via e-mail, to the CG (and the CG XO), DCG/CoS (and the DCG/CoS XO), or DCoS (and the DCoS XO). Provide cc to SGS to ensure tracking system is updated.
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

(U) PREPARATION OF AN EXECUTIVE SUMMARY. (U) An executive summary (EXSUM) is prepared in Arial 12 with one-inch margins. The EXSUM should begin with the overall classification one inch from the top and bottom of the page. Place the words EXECUTIVE SUMMARY centered and one line down from the classification. The tasker number (if applicable) and the date are two lines down from EXECUTIVE SUMMARY. The subject is uppercase, and marked with a security classification. The originator’s office symbol will appear in parentheses after the security classification, followed by the body of the text. An EXSUM should contain no more than 15 lines and synthesize the essential elements of information necessary to answer the recipient’s question. The first sentence will identify the purpose of the correspondence (EXSUMs are self-initiated or respond to someone’s question.) Acronyms should always be spelled out the first time they appear, followed by the acronym in parentheses. Ensure the originator is identified and the EXSUM approved as shown below. Type the name of the approval authority below the originator’s name and telephone number to indicate approval by principal, deputy, or director.

Originator’s full name/office symbol/phone  
Originator’s e-mail address

APPROVED BY: BG Brian Xxxxxx
3-5. Decision memorandum

Use a decision memorandum to obtain decisions from the Command Group. Prepare this special-purpose action in plain paper memorandum format. Do not exceed two pages, excluding supporting documents.

a. General. AR 25-50 directs the use of 1-inch margins for the plain paper memorandum. The memorandum content should represent the complete situation, without relying on enclosures. Summarize issues and reserve enclosures for a detailed analysis or explanation of the summary presented in the memorandum. Identify enclosures contained at tabs in the body of the decision memorandum. Use TF 5-E when submitting decision memorandums to the Command Group. Keep information in the TF 5-E brief, with a purpose statement, short background summary, and coordination.

b. Format of the decision memorandum (see Figure 3-3).

(1) Office symbol. Type the office symbol of the proponent office at the left margin, 1-inch below the top of the page.

(2) Date. Type or stamp the date of the decision memorandum at the right margin on the same line as the office symbol.

(3) Address. Address the decision memorandum FOR the person making the decision. Include appropriate members of the chain of command on the THRU lines. At a minimum, actions for the Commander, TRADOC will go through the DCoS and DCG/CoS.

(4) Paragraph 1, Decision. Paragraph 1 states: FOR DECISION.

(5) Paragraph 2, PURPOSE. In one concise sentence state the action to be taken (for example, "To gain CG approval of the issues developed at the TRADOC Commanders’ Conference held at Fort Eustis, 23-24 Oct 18").

(6) Paragraph 3, RECOMMENDATION(S). This paragraph contains specific recommendations; for example, "CG sign the enclosed memorandum at TAB A-1." Under each recommendation type:

   “APPROVED ________ DISAPPROVED ________ SEE ME ________”

(7) Paragraph 4, BACKGROUND. This paragraph explains the origin of the action and conveys assumptions and facts necessary to understand the recommendation. Present facts as a chronological summary of actions or events leading to or bearing on the issue.

(8) Paragraph 5, DISCUSSION. This paragraph lists/assesses the alternatives considered. Assess the alternatives considered for the decision in terms of advantages and disadvantages. Include documents that support the recommendation as enclosures at tabs. Summarize their key points in the decision memorandum.

(9) Paragraph 6, IMPACT. This paragraph indicates impact of the recommended decision. A staff action may have an impact on personnel, equipment, funding, stationing, etc. Identify
individuals or organizations the recommendation impacts, and to what extent. If none, state "No impact."

(10) Paragraph 7, COORDINATION. This paragraph indicates with whom and when the action was staffed. Indicate concurrence/nonconcurrence by lining through the word that does not apply. Type or write the rank, name, and title of the individual who gave the feedback on the blank to the left of CONCUR/NONCONCUR. Type or write the date the individual provided feedback in the blank before DATE. Prepare each line as follows:

ORG________________CONCUR/NONCONCUR _______DATE

(11) Paragraph 8, Point of Contact. Include POC name/rank, title, telephone number, and e-mail address.

(12) Second page. If a decision memorandum is longer than one page, at the top of all continuation page, type the office symbol at the left margin, 1 inch from the top edge of the paper, and the subject line on the next line below the office symbol. Begin typing the text on the third line below the subject line.
MEMORANDUM THRU

Deputy Chief of Staff
Deputy Commanding General/Chief of Staff

FOR TRADOC Commanding General

SUBJECT: Decision Memorandum Format

1. For DECISION.
2. PURPOSE: To obtain...

APPROVED______ DISAPPROVED______ SEE ME______

4. BACKGROUND.

5. DISCUSSION.
   a. Course of Action (COA) 1: (Advantages/Disadvantages)
   b. COA 2: (Advantages/Disadvantages)
   c. COA 3: (Advantages/Disadvantages)

6. IMPACT.

7. COORDINATION.
   TRADOC DCS, G-8 _______ CONCUR/NONCONCUR ______ DATE
   TRADOC DCS, G-1/4 _______ CONCUR/NONCONCUR ______ DATE

8. POC is Mr. Jones, organization. (757) 501-xxxx, joe.p.jones.civ@mail.mil.

Encl

MICHAEL M. SMITH
Major General, U.S. Army

Figure 3-3. Decision memorandum format
3-6. Information paper

Use an information paper to provide the reader pertinent facts in a clear and concise format. Figure 3-4 provides format and instructions for preparing an information paper. TRADOC information paper format is the same as HQDA information paper format. Note the authority block begins at the center of the page and one line below the last paragraph.

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**INFORMATION PAPER**

ATCS-XS
22 Jan 18

SUBJECT: Information Paper Format

1. Purpose: To provide guidance on the preparation and use of an information paper.

2. Facts:
   a. An information paper provides facts in a clear and concise format.

   b. Include the subject and the purpose. Paragraphs will contain only essential facts concerning the subject. There is one line between the title “INFORMATION PAPER” and the office symbol. There is one line between the date and the subject line. Do not “bold” any text.

   c. Information papers are self-explanatory and will not refer to enclosures, except for tabular data, charts, or photographs.

   d. Information papers should not exceed one page in length. If a continuation page is unavoidable, number pages starting on page 2, bottom center. Do not repeat the subject line, title, or date on the second page.

   e. Avoid using acronyms and abbreviations, except those that are familiar outside the Army. Avoid using classified information when it does not contribute to understanding the issue.

   f. Information papers should not include a decision statement, ask for a decision, include recommendations, or courses of action.

   g. There are no signatures on an information paper. The author’s name and the “Approved by” lines start at the center of the page. Do not make them flush right.

Mr. John Brown/(757) 501-1234
Approved by: COL Paul C. Swift

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**Figure 3-4. Sample information paper**
3-7. **Point paper**
Use a point paper to provide assessment, recommendations, and discussion points in outline form. It features short, to the point, easy to read bullet phrases. Use a point paper when the reader has a thorough knowledge of the subject. Figure 3-5, below, provides instructions on preparing a point paper. Minor variations in the point paper format are acceptable, if needed, to better present the information.

![Figure 3-5. Sample point paper](image)
3-8. Star note

a. Only GOs use star notes, normally for brief personal replies or to convey congratulations, appreciation, welcome, regrets, etc. Prepare the star note according to the personal preference of the GO signing the note. Include appropriate information in the TF 5-E; for example, “PURPOSE: To obtain CG’s signature on star note (TAB A) to Mr. Jonathan (John) E. Doe for his selection as TRADOC Employee of the Year.” The preparer may also put first name/nickname on small adhesive notes on each letter within the package. Star notes are normally one page in length. See Figure 3-6 for a sample CG star note with formatting instructions.

b. Use Arial 12 with at least 1-inch margins and center text on the page for framing. Do not date the star note prior to signature, but leave space for it when typing. After signature, center the civilian-style date, for example, August 10, 2018, two lines below printed return address. Indent paragraphs five spaces and begin typing at the sixth space.

c. Do not use abbreviations in the address or signature blocks. Exceptions permitted for: state names, DC, U.S., Mr., Mrs., Dr., Jr., Sr., 2nd, II, III, Ret., and compass points (NE, NW, SE, and SW).

Figure 3-6. Sample CG star note
3-9. TRADOC policy letters and delegations of authority

a. TRADOC policy letters are statements the CG signs that apply to all TRADOC activities, schools, and HQ staff offices. These letters (memo format is used) express the commander’s intent or position on selected topics of concern (such as anti-harassment and equal opportunity (EO)).

b. Delegations of authority are statements the CG signs authorizing a subordinate to perform a duty or responsibility otherwise reserved for the CG.

c. Staff elements will forward policy letters and delegations of authority under cover of a TF 5-E, through the SGS for CG approval. Policy letters and delegations must be coordinated through the OSJA and any other staff as required.

d. Once the CG approves, SGS will consecutively number the policy letters, secure OPSEC approval and PAO approval to post to the TRADOC Website. SGS will maintain an index of the policy letters and delegations. All policy letters and delegations of authority are posted on the TRADOC Website www.tradoc.army.mil/Organizations/TRADOC-Staff/Secretary-of-the-General-Staff/Command-Policy-Letters-and-Delegations-of-Authority/.

e. Policy letters and delegations of authority will be reviewed when a new CG assumes command. The issuing staff elements will review their policy letters and delegations and ensure the information is still valid and current. Some policy letters may require earlier review based on the subject matter and separate regulations that govern their functional area. Policy letters are effective until superseded or rescinded.

f. Consistent with AR 25-30, para 3-37, TRADOC policy letters will not be used as substitutes for issuing or revising publications stating TRADOC-wide policy and procedures.

Chapter 4
Conferences and Briefings

4-1. TRADOC hosted or sponsored conferences
TRADOC hosted or sponsored conferences will be conducted in accordance with governing policy, to include AR 1-50 and any supplementing TRADOC policy. Official conference records are permanent and will be maintained in accordance with ARIMS record number 1-1m1.

4-2. Headquarters (HQ) TRADOC conference room locations and responsible staff offices

a. DCSs and chiefs of special staffs are responsible for scheduling conferences and briefings via the Conference Room Scheduler.

b. The OCG approves requests for the Command Conference Room. Requests for the Command Conference Room will be submitted via the Conference Room Scheduler at https://hq.tradoc.army.mil/sites/crs/SitePages/Home.aspx.
c. ESO approves requests for the Morelli Auditorium. Requests for the Morelli Auditorium will be submitted via the Conference Room Scheduler at https://hq.tradoc.army.mil/sites/crs/SitePages/Home.aspx. For scheduled events hosted by the CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS that require protocol support, send requests to Chief, ESO.

4-3. Scheduling conferences/briefings requiring Command Group participation

a. DCSs and chiefs of special staffs are responsible for notifying the CG of short-notice taskings from DA and other sources to provide briefings to senior officials. To obtain Command Group input as early in the process as possible, coordinating staff will forward details and outline via e-mail to CG’s scheduler within 24 hours of receiving the mission. As required, CG will attend CSA briefings.

b. Chiefs of staff offices will obtain DCoS approval before conducting conferences or briefings requiring Command Group participation.

c. Meetings, conferences, or symposiums involving the Command Group will begin no earlier than 0900 to avoid conflicts with physical training schedules.

d. When arranging conferences and briefings, AOs will:

(1) Coordinate with Command Group schedulers and/or XOs to arrange the date, time, and location of conferences/briefings.

(2) Coordinate with G-33 to preclude scheduling conflicts with the TEC.

(3) Reserve appropriate conference rooms via the Conference Room Scheduler.

(4) Submit a TF 5-E for DCG/CoS approval of all conferences or briefings requiring expenditure of HQ TRADOC funds. TF 5-E will include:

(a) The date, time, and location of the conference or briefing.

(b) Attendance requirements.

(c) Name or title of chair.

(d) Purpose of conference or briefing.

(e) Security classification.

(f) Title, order of presentation, and time set aside for each part of the conference or briefing.

(g) Special instructions (for example, prebriefing requirements, attendee allocations, etc.).

(h) Uniform requirements.
TRADOC Regulation 1-11

(i) A request for names of attendees to be provided to the AO.

(5) Prepare a message or memorandum for DCoS signature to announce the conference or briefing when attendees include personnel from organizations outside HQ TRADOC.

e. Staff offices making presentations during conferences and briefings will provide their own personnel to operate equipment and flip slides.

f. The lead staff office for organizing a conference or briefing for the Command Group will provide a note taker to record taskings and issues that surface during the conference/briefing.

g. The lead staff office will provide a seating chart for the CG when the CG holds a VTC or desk-side VTC. See Figures 4-1 and 4-2 for diagrams of seating charts.

h. Payment of conference costs for locally-hosted conferences:

   (1) Each DCS will provide the conference host with a list of attendees prior to the conduct of the conference.

   (2) Subject to the applicable dollar threshold for the cardholder, the government purchase card may be used to pay for conference room rental expenses. The purchase card dollar threshold varies among cardholders. The card will not be used to purchase food or refreshments. If for any reason the card is not accepted, contact the Agency Program Coordinator for Fort Eustis at DSN 826-5709, x2249, (757) 878-5809, x2249 for assistance in providing applicable material category code to the vendor to allow the transaction to go through, or for information on accommodation check procedures.

   (3) The host will provide TRADOC Deputy Chief of Staff, G-8 (Resource Management), Budget Directorate, a summary list of costs, broken out by directorate.

   (4) The TRADOC DCS, G-8 will locally reprogram the funds from the applicable DCS/activity to reimburse the host.

   (5) Use of government funds to pay for food or refreshment items is extremely restricted. Violation of these restrictions can result in personal liability and/or a violation of the Antideficiency Act. Conference planners should consult with their servicing OSJA office regarding the purchase of food and refreshments for consumption at conferences.

   (6) Any contract for conference facilities is subject to the review process provided in TR 5-14.

4-4. Preparing visual aids

   a. A briefing template is available in the Staff Action Officer Resource Center under “TRADOC Templates.”

   b. Do not use background tints and other features that burn memory/bandwidth and make slides hard to read when projected.
c. Ensure each chart or graph has the bottom line up front, conveys a single idea or thought, and is simple and straightforward.

d. Any slide should immediately communicate the intent to the audience within 30 seconds.

e. For audiences outside of the military, assume the audience has no military experience. Avoid use of Army acronyms. Graphics must stand alone to convey an effective message.

f. Number briefing slides using “__ of __” format, e.g., “2 of 15.” Place numbers at bottom center or bottom right of the slide. Do not number the first slide.

g. Number presentation slides in the order they are displayed. For dual-screen projection, place "L" or "R" after the number to specify left or right screen as viewed from the audience. To allow easy change or reordering, annotate numbers on the viewgraph frame rather than the transparency itself.

h. Mark classified slides at the top and bottom in accordance with AR 25-55 and AR 380-5. Ensure classification is clearly visible during the presentation.

i. If more than one map is shown on a single visual aid, use the same scale.

j. Provide color copies of slides to visiting dignitaries, GOs, civilian equivalents, and above. All other attendees receive black and white copies.

k. Do not distribute paper copies of slides/conference materials to multiple attendees. Transmit material via e-mail.

(1) Ensure all files are created with approved Army software.

(2) Upload files over 500 kilobytes to AKO and provide the AKO address for users to access the files.
Figure 4-1. Diagram of Command Conference Room
4-5. Tracking conference taskings
Lead agency for the conference (for example, TRADOC Senior Leaders Conference, Former TRADOC Commanders Conference, RC GO Conference) will have responsibility for tracking, collating, and updating the Command Group on status of conference taskings on a periodic basis.
Chapter 5
Use of Department of Defense (DOD) Enterprise E-mail

5-1. E-mail

a. DOD provides e-mail service to enable Soldiers, government Civilians, selected contractors (as per terms of each particular contract) to accomplish their work efficiently and effectively. This e-mail service is provided for official use and authorized purposes only.

b. AOs should use e-mail to quickly, efficiently, and effectively accomplish tasks, but care must be taken not to bypass command channels for any actions that should be routed through the chain of command. TRADOC AOs should employ discretion when using e-mail to communicate and AO must be conscious of the time it takes others to access, analyze, and act upon e-mails. Unnecessary e-mails distract recipients from other more important tasks, consume network resources, and contribute to inefficiency. Use caution in using “reply all” vice “reply” on responses. Only include as addressees those who need the information contained in an e-mail or who need to take action on an e-mail. AOs should use the TO, cc, and blind copy address lines appropriately. TO addressess should be considered “action” addresses; cc should be considered “for information” addressees.

c. TRADOC AOs should use judgment regarding to whom e-mails are addressed. Commanders, directors, and other senior leaders should not be distracted from other tasks by e-mails pertaining to routine matters. Such e-mails should be sent to the receiving organization’s administrative staff or to an organizational e-mail address – not to the commander or director of the organization. AOs should also not assume that sent e-mails will be immediately read by the recipient(s). For short suspense actions, AOs will follow up with a telephone call to ensure those who need to take action are aware.

d. The ability to digitally sign and encrypt e-mails enables certain capabilities. Digital signatures on e-mails provide a means to determine the exact originator of a particular message, a capability commonly referred to as non-repudiation. Encrypted e-mails can only be open and read by those with access to a private decryption key associated with the recipient. Currently the Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) to enable digital signing and encrypting of e-mails is available on non-secure internet protocol router network (NIPRNET).

(1) An e-mail must be sent encrypted if it contains sensitive information. Sensitive information includes, but is not limited to, FOUO information, personally identifiable information, information protected by the Freedom of Information Act, and the Privacy Act of 1974 (to include the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act).

(2) All e-mails sent from an Army owned system or account that contain an active (embedded) hyperlink (uniform resource locator web address or e-mail address) and/or attachment must be digitally signed with an approved DOD PKI certificate. This applies to e-mails originating on workstations physically connected to the network, virtually connected wireless devices (for example, two-way e-mail devices, personal digital assistants, etc.) and remote workstations (such as connected using a virtual private network). Additionally, e-mails when considered official business (constituting orders, promulgating policy, or committing
resources) should be digitally signed. See TRADOC’s Common Access Card/ PKI User’s Guide for more information.

e. TRADOC organizations should use the Army’s approved e-mail bannering tool to help ensure e-mails containing sensitive information are appropriately labeled. Those originating e-mails should also use descriptive subject lines and descriptive filenames on attachments that include such terms as FOUO in order to provide a ready indication of the contents of the e-mail and any attachments.

f. AOs should avoid unnecessary attachments. Attachments are difficult to read by those accessing e-mail from a mobile device. E-mails with attachments are to be digitally signed; therefore, unnecessary attachments result in unnecessarily digitally signed e-mails. When an attachment contains information that is sensitive as outlined in paragraph 5d(1) above, the e-mail should be encrypted. If information can be placed directly in the body of a message, vice in an attached file, then do so.

g. AOs should use the out of office assistant tool (located on the tool menu under FILE), to provide status and alternate POC information during absences in excess of 1 normal duty day.

5-2. Organizational Messaging Service (OMS) and Automated Message Handling System (AMHS)

a. OMS provides the ability to exchange official information between the military services, DOD agencies, Combatant Commanders (COCOMs), non-DOD U.S. government activities and the Intelligence Community. OMS is available on both NIPRNET and secure internet protocol router network (SIPRNET).

b. Subordinate organizations, special activities, FOAs, schools and centers, and HQ TRADOC will maintain, and actively monitor, OMS accounts on both NIPRNET and SIPRNET.

c. Messages. TRADOC organizational account users prepare and release OMS messages electronically via the DOD Enterprise OMS/AMHS on the Pentagon Web site at https://www.amhs.army.pentagon.mil. Follow procedures below when preparing AMHS traffic the Command Group will release:

(1) Organizational messages. Follow guidance outlined in paragraph 3-2 to package staff actions containing AMHS messages for Command Group approval/release, and process the same as other actions. When forwarding TF 5-E for Command Group release, include "ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS" recommending mode to send message (for example, “Once approved, recommend sending signed message, but not encrypted (nor signed and encrypted)").

(a) To send "Personal For" organizational messages, list addressees in the text of the message, in grade order, with names in alphabetical order within each grade. The only exception is when two addressees are grouped by the same organizational account (address).

(b) When it is important to emphasize the releaser of a message (in addition to the office symbol on the FROM line in the text) use "SIGNED" before beginning the message text (for
example, SIGNED GEN SMITH). When preparing messages for the Command Group to release to subordinate activities that are directive in nature, use "SENDS" (for example, CG TRADOC SENDS). Always include the suspense in parentheses after the subject on messages that contain a suspense date in the body of the message.

(c) Once approved, a designated user with release authority for the FROM organizational account is responsible for dispatching the message using OMS/AMHS software. Once dispatched, a copy of the message is printed from the "sent items" folder and placed in the package behind tab A. Then, the entire package, with TF 5-E showing approval, is uploaded to the lead organization’s folder and notification made to SGS to close action in CATS.

5-3. Organizational e-mail accounts

a. Using individual e-mail accounts (accounts assigned to specific person with that person’s name as the account name) to transmit official e-mails causes a number of complications. E-mail accounts created for organizations alleviate many of these complications. Organizational accounts are not group accounts or address lists, although the accounts can be configured to provide similar functionalities. A specific individual must be responsible for each account and the responsible individual will control shared access to the account. This shared access can be enabled without sharing the password for the account. Organizational e-mail accounts can be found on the HQ TRADOC SACO Points of Contact roster and the TRADOC SGS/G-3 Points of Contact roster. Both rosters are available on the Staff Action Officer Resource Center SharePoint site under the “Telephone Information, Rosters and Directories” heading.

b. Subordinate organizations, special activities, FOAs, schools and centers, and HQ TRADOC will obtain and actively monitor organizational e-mail accounts on NIPRNET and SIPRNET. For the accounts on NIPRNET, organizations will obtain PKI certificates in order that others may send encrypted e-mails to organizational accounts.

5-4. Use of calendars within e-mail

AOs should use the calendar function within e-mail to manage their daily schedules. This will allow others to easily plan and coordinate meetings. AOs should set calendar permissions to allow the maximum feasible ability to view individual schedule information by others on the local installation network. AOs should freely share their schedules with other AOs within their organization.

Chapter 6

HQ TRADOC Special/Ethnic Observances, Organization Day, and Other Recurring Events

6-1. Secretary of the General Staff (SGS) Responsibility

SGS is responsible for tasking TRADOC ethnic/special observances and recurring events (for example, ethnic/special observances, TRADOC Organization Day, and other official events). The tasking timelines for ethnic/special observances are listed in Table 6-1. Table 6-2 lists the schedule of recurring HQ TRADOC events and responsible staff offices.
### Table 6-1
Tasking timelines

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>DATE</th>
<th>RESPONSIBLE PROPOSENT OFFICE:</th>
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<tr>
<td>120 days prior to observance</td>
<td>Coordinate date of event (or keynote event if a series of events) with their TEC POC or the Office of the Commanding General (OCG), DCG/CoS Office, or DCoS Office to ensure no conflicts with the TEC. Assign an AO (field grade officer or GS-13 and above) and provide the name of the AO to the Command Diversity Office (CDO) and SGS POC. CDO will provide specific observance guidelines and oversight for all ethnic/special observances.</td>
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<tr>
<td>90 days prior to observance</td>
<td>Submit a plan of action/milestones to the CDO.</td>
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<tr>
<td>70 days prior to primary event</td>
<td>Brief event concept plan to the first GO/SES in chain of command.</td>
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<tr>
<td>60 days prior to primary event</td>
<td>Send the SGS a memorandum announcing scheduled events for approval/signature, under cover of a TF 5-E. If CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS is involved in the program, send the DCoS an information paper. Coordinate concept with appropriate agencies but, at a minimum, with CDO and TRADOC ESO. Note: Distribute announcement memorandum to the staff immediately upon DCoS signature.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>At conclusion of observance</td>
<td>Provide a written after action report (AAR) in memorandum format to SGS for the DCoS with copy furnished to CDO no later than 30 days after event.</td>
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### 6-2. HQ TRADOC Organization Day
TRADOC was founded on 1 July 1973 under General William E. DePuy. TRADOC celebrates that founding every year with a variety of special activities. There is no centralized program honoring TRADOC’s founding. TRADOC Headquarters staff organizations, located on Fort Eustis will honor TRADOC’s founding by conducting individual organization celebratory programs customized to meet their members’ preferences and responsibilities.

a. TRADOC Headquarters organizations responsible for conducting Organization Day activities are:

   (1) Command Group (includes Office of the Commanding General, Office of the Deputy Commanding General/Chief of Staff, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Commander’s Planning Group, Office of the Command Sergeant Major, Office of the Secretary of the General Staff, Congressional Activities Office, Executive Services Office, Public Affairs Office and Band, Command Chaplain, Inspector General, Staff Judge Advocate, Internal Review and Audit Compliance Office, Quality Assurance Office, Knowledge Management-PI Office, Special Troops Battalion, Army National Guard, and Army Reserves.)

   (2) G-1/4 (includes Military History, Safety Office, Surgeon’s Office, Command Diversity Office (CDO), and the TRADOC Library.)
b. Lead organization will draft memorandum for DCoS’ signature announcing the date(s) and parameters for the events. Lead organization will also collect after action reports from the participating organizations and prepare a single AAR for the DCoS’ review. The AAR will be submitted under cover of a TR Form 5 through the Staff Actions Division, SGS, no later than 30 days following the final Organization Day event.

c. Organizations may join together to maximize resources or may conduct separate events.

d. Organizations will conduct activities on or about TRADOC’s birthday, 1 July. Activities will not be in conjunction with Independence Day, nor the associated training holiday.

e. Activities will be conducted on Fort Eustis, unless the DCoS approves an exception.

f. Activities will reflect positively on TRADOC and the Army.

g. Activities will focus on team building, enhancing working relationships, and will support Army values.

h. Activities should recognize TRADOC’s history, mission, and traditions.

i. See Table 6-2 for rotation of lead organizations for Organization Day and all recurring events.
### Table 6-2
HQ TRADOC Organization Day and Other Recurring Events Schedule, 2019 - 2022

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<th>HQ TRADOC RECURRING EVENTS</th>
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<td>HQ TRADOC Org Day July</td>
<td>G-6</td>
<td>G-8</td>
<td>G-3/5/7</td>
<td>G-1/4</td>
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<td>TRADOC Best Warrior Competition July</td>
<td>G-3/5/7</td>
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<td>Instructor of the Year August</td>
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<td>Combined Federal Campaign September-November</td>
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Army Emergency Relief - HQ TRADOC Proponent is G-8.

HQ TRADOC Organization Day - Responsibility rotation is G-1/4, G-2, G-6, G-8, G-3/5/7.

Combined Federal Campaign - HQ TRADOC Proponent is G-1/4. When TRADOC CG serves as Honorary Chairman, G-1/4 has oversight and intraservice coordination responsibilities.

### 6-3. Ethnic/Special observances:

a. Ethnic/Special observances are:
   - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Birthday
   - African American/Black History Month
   - Women's History Month
   - Days of Remembrance
   - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month
   - Asian Pacific Heritage Month
   - Women's Equality Day
   - National Hispanic Heritage Month
   - National American Indian Heritage Month
b. Responsibility for TRADOC-sponsored observances lies with the designated TRADOC DCS or Command Group. Non TRADOC-sponsored observances are within the responsibility of the identified command. Ethnic/Special Observance Schedule (Table 6-3) is published annually by the JBLE EO Office and coordinated with each command.

c. Future support for identified observances will be on a rotating basis among each DCS. TRADOC will provide support for a minimum of two events each year in order to comply with guidance contained in AR 600-20. Tasking will be posted 3 years in advance in order to provide sufficient planning time for execution.

d. Mandatory members of TRADOC-sponsored ethnic/special observance committees will include a representative from CDO, PAO, and ESO. TRADOC SJA will provide an attorney to serve as a legal advisor to the respective committee.

e. TRADOC ESO provides protocol support for all TRADOC-sponsored observances.

f. AOs will provide IPR minutes to the CDO no later than 7 duty days following each meeting.

g. Funding for HQ TRADOC Command Group and DCS hosted ethnic/special observances will be provided by G-8 ($1,000 per year, per event). Funding for all other installation hosted ethnic/special observances is the responsibility of Joint Base Langley-Eustis.

Table 6-3
Ethnic/Special Observances Schedule for CY 2019-2022

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<td>Command Group</td>
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<td>ATSC</td>
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<td>Heritage Month May</td>
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<td>LGBT Pride Month June</td>
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<td>Heritage Month November</td>
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6-4. Administrative guidelines for ethnic/special observances

a. To ensure timely Command Group awareness of event concepts and use of proper protocol procedures, responsible organization or special staff office will follow timelines in Table 6-1.

b. DCSs or their deputies, will personally host the event(s) (or keynote event if a series of events).

c. For TRADOC-sponsored observances, TRADOC ESO will send electronic invitations of scheduled event(s) to all GOs/SESs and other special guests. The ESO will also send electronic invitations to the XO distribution list for dissemination to the remaining staff.

d. Leadership should encourage attendance at all events and attend all functions or, at a minimum, the keynote event, if a series of events, to set the example.

e. When desiring Command Group participation (to introduce guest speaker, present recognitions, etc.), send request on a TR Form 5-E through SGS to the DCoS, DCG/CoS, or OCG. If none is available, request the DCG/CoS designate a representative.

f. CDO and ESO will review event plan (sequence of events, seating, program, flyers, posters, bulletins, etc.) to ensure compliance with accepted standards.

g. Coordinate CG remarks with designated CPG speechwriter. When requesting remarks from DCG/CoS or DCoS, responsible organization coordinates with their respective XO to prepare draft remarks and forwards remarks as part of readahead, or separately, as directed. Brief Command Group participant(s) 1 week prior to the event(s) and forward readahead at least 4-duty days prior to IPR.

h. Tasked TRADOC organizational lead will provide escorts for guest speakers/ guests of honor.

i. Coordinate with the CDO, ESO, PAO, and SJA prior to obligation of funds for fees, honoraria, or gifts for presentation to non-DOD personnel participating in the ethnic/special observance or related key events. For honoraria under $2,000, the approval authority for the payment of fees or honoraria or the purchase of gifts for presentation to non-DOD personnel is the coordinating staff responsible for the event; for honoraria in excess of $2,000, the approval authority is the VCSA.

j. Appropriated funds may not be used to purchase gifts, mementos, or other tokens of appreciation for DOD personnel. A commander may use appropriated funds to purchase an informal award device (for example, coins, plaques, certificates, or similar devices with little intrinsic value) for DOD personnel in recognition of excellence in accordance with the guidelines below. The committee chairperson must coordinate in advance with the proper award authority to determine the appropriateness of providing any awards for the specific DOD personnel participating in the event.

(1) Soldiers and other military personnel. Commanders may use appropriated funds to purchase and present informal award devices to military personnel for contributions to a
ethnic/special observance event when they demonstrate excellence and the achievement is unique and clearly contributes to increased effectiveness.

(2) DA civilians. Activity officials may purchase and present informal award devices to civilian employees when a monetary or higher-level honorary award is not appropriate. Informal award devices should clearly commemorate the official event and recognize excellence in performance by the employee. By definition, award devices have little intrinsic monetary (resale) value.

k. Organization leads should refer to the Department of Defense Equal Opportunity Institute (DEOMI) website for the current theme, posters, invitations, presentations, and other observance products. Information can be found at: https://www.deomi.org/human-relations/special-observances.cfm.

6-5. Coordinate with TRADOC Enterprise Calendar (TEC)
To preclude schedule and facility conflicts, coordinate all major events, symposiums, conferences, seminars, etc., with G-33 for inclusion in the TEC.

Chapter 7
TRADOC Invitational Travel Authorization (ITA) Procedures

7-1. Guidelines
This chapter prescribes ITA procedures, specific forms, and formats for use at HQ TRADOC and TRADOC schools and centers.

7-2. ITA approval authorities

a. Within HQ TRADOC, ITAs for official TDY by military or civilians (govt or retirees) (non-spouse travel) must be approved by the DCG/CoS. The approval authority at TRADOC core function leads, FOAs, and special activities is the senior TRADOC commander/commandant on the installation (with the exception of accompanying spouse travel as described in paragraph 7-2b.) This approval authority may not be further delegated.

b. Pursuant to Army Directive (AD) 2017-05, Secretary of the Army Policy for Travel by Department of the Army Senior Officials, and as delegated by CG, TRADOC, the approval authority for accompanying spouse travel for all of TRADOC is the DCG/CoS.

7-3. Preparation of an ITA request

a. ITA request memorandums (Figure 7-1) for all official TDY not involving accompanying spouse travel as described in paragraph 7-2b, will be prepared and submitted in accordance with the Joint Travel Regulation, and AR 600-8-105. ITA request memorandums must be signed by the approving official within the requesting organization.

(1) TRADOC subordinate organizations, FOAs, and special activities must follow approval procedures set forth by their organization.
(2) All HQ TRADOC ITA packets requesting military air will be staffed through G-3/5/7 Flight Operations Division and then forwarded to the TRADOC Office of the SJA (OSJA) for review at least 15-calendar days prior to the travel date. G-3/5/7 Flight Operations Division will forward the ITA request package, with any legal review, through the SGS (Staff Actions Division) for DCG/CoS approval. The ITA packet will contain:

(a) TF 5-E (with TRADOC G-3/5/7 concur/nonconcur recorded if military air travel is requested, and with TRADOC OSJA review recorded).

(b) ITA request memorandum signed by the budget analyst (even if cost is zero) and organization’s approval authority.

b. ITA request memorandums for accompanying spouse travel will be prepared and submitted in accordance with Army Directive 2017-05 and Joint Travel Regulation (Figure 7-2). The ITA request memorandum must be signed by the funding budget analyst and spouse’s sponsor. All TRADOC subordinate organizations, FOAs, special activities, and HQ TRADOC organizations will forward the ITA packet through the G-3/5/7 Flight Operations Division (if military air is requested) to the TRADOC OSJA for review at least 15 calendar days prior to the travel date. After review, the TRADOC OSJA will forward the ITA request package to the SGS (Staff Actions Division) for DCG/CoS approval. The ITA package will contain:

(1) Accompanying spouse travel request memorandum will contain the text: “This travel authorization authorizes the spouse to accompany the sponsor to attend an official function. It does not authorize per diem or other expense allowances for the spouse. If the spouse does not desire to bear the expenses ordinarily reimbursed through per diem or other expenses allowances, this travel authorization is canceled.” See Figure 7-2, page 2.

(1) TF 5-E (with TRADOC G-3/5/7 concur/nonconcur recorded if military air travel is requested, and with TRADOC OSJA review recorded).

(2) ITA request memorandum signed by the funding budget analyst (even if cost is zero) and spouse's sponsor.

(3) Legal review from the requesting organization's servicing legal advisor.

(4) Spouse’s agenda.
Table 7-1  
ITA Requests

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<td><strong>HQ TRADOC</strong></td>
<td>Approval authority is DCG/CoS</td>
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<tr>
<td>Subordinate organizations</td>
<td>Approval authority delegated to senior TRADOC commander/commandant. No further delegation allowed.</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>All TRADOC organizations</strong></td>
<td>Requests are signed by the traveling Soldier or GS civilian.</td>
<td>Requests are signed by the traveling spouse’s sponsor.</td>
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MEMORANDUM THRU (Enter organization’s servicing legal office)

FOR (Enter the section responsible for issuing the ITA.)

SUBJECT: Individual Travel Authorization (ITA) Request

1. Request publishing of ITA for the individual below.
   a. Name, title or position:
   b. Mailing address:
   c. Proceed date:
   d. Itinerary. FROM (enter location traveling from) TO (enter location traveling to) and RETURN.
   e. Itinerary attached? Yes
   f. Length of travel:
   g. Point of contact: name and phone number.
   h. Modes of travel for entire visit: (Commercial air, rental car, MILAIR, POV, etc.)
   i. Purpose of travel:
   j. Estimated cost
      (a) Per diem: $0
      (b) Travel: $0
      (c) Fund cite: (if applicable. If DTS, annotate DTS line of accounting.)

   Analyst’s signature
   ________________________________________________________________________
   (Signature required, even if cost is $0.)

Figure 7-1. ITA request memorandum
Office Symbol
SUBJECT: Individual Travel Authorization (ITA) Request

2. Justification for travel:
   a.
   b. Secure video teleconference or other means of Web-based communication are not sufficient to accomplish travel objectives because ... (Add a detailed justification to explain why other means of communication are not acceptable.)

X Encis

Approving official's signature

Approving official's signature block

Figure 7-1. ITA request memorandum, continued
MEMORANDUM THRU TRADOC STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE

FOR Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command, 950 Jefferson Avenue, Fort Eustis, VA 23604

SUBJECT: Accompanying Spouse Travel – Spouse’s name, date/place of travel

1. Reference Memorandum, Secretary of the Army, 25 Jan 07, subject: Policy for Travel by Department of the Army Officials.

2. In accordance with section 10 of referenced memorandum, the purpose of this correspondence is to request approval of accompanying spouse travel.

3. Request publishing of individual travel authorization (ITA) for individual below:

   a. Name, title or position: Mrs. Mary Smith – Spouse of General Smith

   b. Mailing address:

   c. Proceed date: (Date leaving home station.)

   d. Itinerary. FROM (enter location traveling from) TO (enter location traveling to) and RETURN.

   e. Itinerary attached? Yes

   f. Length of travel:

   g. Point of contact: (Name and phone number)

   h. Modes of travel for entire visit: (Commercial air, rental car, MILAIR, POV, etc. If by vehicle note they will be a passenger is sponsor’s vehicle)

   i. Purpose of travel:

      (1) To attend the (name of event)
Office Symbol

SUBJECT: Accompanying Spouse Travel — Spouse's name, date/place of travel

(2) Individual meets the eligibility requirements for ITAs found in JTR, Appendix E, paragraph A, and is NOT a non-appropriated funds official (or employee traveling on non-appropriated fund business), a contractor employee, a Federal employee (unless traveling in a leave status), or uniformed service member.

(a) Estimated cost:

(b) Per diem: $0 (may not be applicable)

(c) Travel: $0

j. Fund Cite: DTS Line of Accounting

4. This travel authorization authorizes the spouse to accompany the sponsor to attend an official function. It does not authorize per diem or other expense allowances for the spouse. If the spouse does not desire to bear the expenses ordinarily reimbursed through per diem or other expenses allowances, this travel authorization is canceled.

______________________________
Analyst’s signature

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Budget Analyst

(Signature required, even if cost is $0.)

4. Justification for Travel:

a. Mrs. Smith will be accompanying GEN Smith to (name of event/responsibility at event, if any).

b. Secure Video Teleconference or other means of Web-based communication are not sufficient to accomplish travel objectives because … (Add a detailed justification to explain why other means of communications are not acceptable.)

______________________________
Sponsor’s signature

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Sponsor’s signature block

(The sponsor MUST sign this request.)
7-4. Publication of the ITA
After the ITA is approved, the requesting organization will process the ITA in the Defense Travel System (DTS).

a. Routing lists within DTS will be set up in accordance with local procedures. Subordinate organizations, FOAs, and special activities will follow procedures set forth within their organization.

b. Each organization's defense travel administrator (DTA) is responsible for creating the DTS traveler's profile (to include all mandatory information) on all individuals traveling on an ITA. The traveler must have a social security number; however due to DOD policy, the organization will contact the traveler directly to obtain social security number and banking information.

c. The organization's DTA will ensure the AO is trained and appointed in writing and the AO is aware of all ITA procedures.

d. The organization's DTA ensures a non-designated entry agent (NDEA) is trained and appointed in writing. The NDEA signs the voucher for the individual traveling on the ITA and should be familiar with all NDEA procedures and requirements.

e. When preparing the ITA, the requesting organization will enter the trip type as:

(1) E-invitational (only for non-accompanying spouse travel), or

(2) E-family trans only or e-family full travel (for accompanying spouse or other travel), which then sets up a DTS template for authorized entitlements.

f. The requesting organization will ensure that entitlements are entered correctly. For example, in most cases of accompanying spouse travel, the spouse is not entitled to per diem; it is the organization’s responsibility to ensure the lodging and meals are removed from the authorization. G-1/4 will also review for accuracy and ensure all required statements are on the authorization. G-8 will also review for accuracy and ensure all required statements are on the authorization.

g. All approval documents (approved Form TF-5-E, ITA request memo, legal review, agenda, etc.) are required to be scanned into the DTS authorization's substantiating records.

h. The ITA traveler is responsible for completing, signing, and submitting DD Form 1351-2 (Travel Voucher) to the proponent organization within 5 days of completion of travel. Receipts for all expenses will be submitted with the voucher.

i. The organization’s appointed NDEA is responsible to scan and upload all supporting documents (expense receipts, airline receipts, etc.) to the substantiating records section of the voucher, then sign the voucher in DTS as T-entered.

j. After the traveler’s voucher is paid, the organization DTA will detach the individual from their organization; this will ensure the availability of the individual’s profile to other organizations in the event they travel on an ITA at a later date.

Chapter 8
TRADOC Enterprise Calendar

8-1. TEC
The TEC is a Web-based SharePoint calendar that provides information on key events affecting TRADOC organizations. It is designed to keep the command informed of key events and to provide a tool to help prevent scheduling conflicts. The online version of the TEC is the authoritative version of the TRADOC master activities calendar. The TEC is “real time” in that, once approved, all events are immediately reflected on the calendar.

8-2. Accessing the TEC

a. The TEC is located at: https://hq.tradoc.army.mil/sites/TEC2/_layouts/calendar/index.aspx

b. An AKO hosted version is available at https://ako.hq.tradoc.army.mil/sites/tec

c. A Common Access Card is required to open the TEC.

8-3. Calendar Management

a. The TEC is managed by the G-33.

b. Each core function lead (USACC, USAREC, CIMT), Centers of Excellence (including USACC and USAREC), direct reporting unit, and school is responsible for ensuring its subordinate TEC calendar is populated and properly maintained.

c. TRADOC Specific Coordinating, Personal and Special Staff sections, provide input to the TEC via the “TRADOC Staff” Subordinate TEC.

d. Commanders/commandants/directors will designate a primary and an alternate TEC contributor to input and curate their calendar data. Events will be entered on the lower echelon calendars and promoted, as appropriate, through the chain of command to higher headquarters’ calendars.

e. To prevent duplicate entries, the event sponsor (or TRADOC lead) is responsible for inputting the event into the TEC and then nominating the event higher.

f. Information placed on the TEC will be classified no higher than FOUO. The calendar itself is classified FOUO. The TEC will not contain names of, nor specific movement data for general officers or members of the SES.
Appendix A
References

Section I
Required Publications

AR 25-50
Preparing and Managing Correspondence

TR 10-5
U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command

TR 10-5-1
Headquarters, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command

Section II
Related Publications
A related publication is a source of additional information. The user does not have to read a related reference to understand this publication.

AR 1-20
Legislative Liaison

AR 10-87
Army Commands, Army Service Component Commands, and Direct Reporting Units

AR 20-1
Inspector General Activities and Procedures

AR 25-1
Army Knowledge Management and Information Technology

AR 25-30
The Army Publishing Program

AR 25-51
Official Mail and Distribution Management

AR 25-55
The Department of the Army Freedom of Information Act Program

AR 25-400-2
The Army Records Information Management System (ARIMS)

AR 55-46
Travel Overseas
TRADOC Regulation 1-11

AR 335-15
Management Information Control System

AR 340-21
The Army Privacy Program

AR 380-5
Department of the Army Information Security Program

AR 600-8-22
Military Awards

AR 600-8-105
Military Orders

AR 672-20
Incentive Awards

DA Memo 25-52
Staff Action Process and Correspondence Policies

DA Pam 672-20
Incentive Awards Handbook

DOD 4500.54-G
Department of Defense Foreign Clearance Guide (available at https://www.fcg.pentagon.mil)

JTR
Joint Travel Regulation


TRADOC Memo 1-2
Courier Service Between Headquarters, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command and Headquarters, Department of the Army

TR 5-14
Acquisition Management and Oversight.

TR 10-5-2
Futures Center

TR 10-5-3
United States Army Accessions Command

TR 10-5-4
United States Army Combined Arms Center

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TR 10-5-5
United States Army Combined Arms Support Command and Sustainment Center of Excellence

TR 10-5-6
United States Army War College

TR 10-5-8
Initial Military Training-Center of Excellence, and Change 1

TR 10-5-9
Institute for Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development and United States Army Sergeants Major Academy

TR 25-35
Preparing and Publishing U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command Administrative Publications

TR 37-2
Temporary Duty Travel Policies and Procedures

TR 95-5
Flight Operations

TRADOC Supplement 1 to AR 600-8-22
Military Awards


Section III
Prescribed Forms

TF 5-E
Transmittal, Action and Control

TF 712-R-E
Request for Official OCONUS Temporary Duty Travel
Appendix B
Helpful Hints for Preparing Correspondence and Processing Actions

B-1. Introduction
Most information in this Appendix is found elsewhere in this publication, but also presented here as a collection of helpful hints to highlight some of the most common errors found during proofreading.

B-2. Reference materials
Use the following references to assist in preparing correspondence:

a. AR 25-50, Preparing and Managing Correspondence

b. DA Memo 25-52, Staff Action Process and Correspondence Policies


B-3. Processing staff actions

a. PURPOSE statement on TF 5-E refers to the purpose of the form, not the purpose of the action being transmitted. It tells what you want the form to accomplish. For example: “To obtain CG signature on memo to MG Brown (TAB A) nonconcurring with his proposed changes to FM XX-X (TAB B).”
b. RECOMMENDATION statement on TF 5-E tells the recipient what you want him to do and is usually worded similarly to the PURPOSE statement. For example: “CG sign memo to MG Brown (TAB A) nonconcurring with his proposed changes to FM XX-X (TAB B).”

c. Ensure the CATS control number is in block 1 on the TF 5-E. If the action is generated by the proponent, CGAC will assign a CATS control number with an ES prefix for tracking purposes when it is submitted to the SGS.

d. TAB A is document requiring signature or action. When forwarding more than one action for approval/signature, use TABs A-1, A-2, A-3, etc. TAB A can also be an information paper you are sending to the Command Group.

e. TAB B is the document that generated the action. Additional background information follows, using succeeding tabs in order mentioned in TF 5-E.

f. Always use editing and proofreading tools available (spelling and grammar check) as an initial step in the proofreading process. Review correspondence to ensure document is error free and ready for signature and dispatch prior to submission to SGS for Command Group signature.

g. Ensure SGS SACO is aware of time sensitive actions to assist in expediting through the Command Group.

h. AOs will provide the designated organization POC an electronic copy of all documents to upload in accordance with Appendix H. The POC will make administrative corrections, but will not change the content of the documents. SACOs will retrieve the documents, make administrative corrections, but will not change the content.

i. If SGS or the Command Group returns action for corrections, ALWAYS include marked-up copy with returned package.

j. Hand carry or upload to Staff Actions Library actions returned for corrections to SAD or the appropriate SACO. Actions are logged out on CATS and must be logged back in to maintain tracking.

k. If not dated at time of signature, SAD dates correspondence upon Command Group signature, and original is returned to the appropriate action office for dispatch.

l. Do not send copies or internal routing slips to the Command Group.

m. All actions going to the Command Group must come through SAD/SGS. Do not take actions directly to Command Group offices. Do not pick up actions from the Command Group. Actions received in the Command Group without SGS approval are returned to the SGS without action. In urgent situations, if a proponent picks up an action from the Command Group, ensure SGS receives a file copy of the signed/approved/dated action and the TRADOC Form 5-E.

n. If an action requires presentation to the CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS for signature during a briefing, provide the SGS an advanced copy of the correspondence for proofreading, editing,
assignment of CATS control number, and approval prior to the briefing. Following the briefing, return a copy of both the TF 5-E and the signed correspondence to SGS for file retention.

B-4. Correspondence

a. Put yourself in the shoes of the person signing the action. Ensure the TF 5-E answers the 5Ws. When preparing CG correspondence, write at the 4-star level.

b. Write in active voice: subject, verb, then object.

c. Prepare all staff action papers using the Army effective writing "package" structure:

   (1) Make reference(s) to the first paragraph.

   (2) Begin the paper with the most important information.

   (3) Separate the body of the paper, clearly dividing sections using paragraphs, headings, or titles.

d. Avoid overusing the pronoun "I" in official CG correspondence.

e. Avoid the use of "my" as an adjective; for example, "my staff." Use instead "the HQ staff" or "the TRADOC staff."

f. Also refer to “Helpful Hints to Survive Suspenses” prepared by G-33 Current Operations.
Appendix C
HQ TRADOC TASKING ORDER Format

UNCLASSIFIED (or) FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

HQ TRADOC TASKING ORDER
S: 30 JUN 15

NOTE: suspense less than 30 days requires CO/LGS-15 approval. Approving official must be listed in paragraph 5D.
(TASKORD is for internal TRADOC taskings only. This order cannot be used outside of TRADOC)

DTG:

SUBJECT: TRADOC TASKORD (Insert title. Use plain language – do not use acronyms or abbreviations. G-33 will add control number)

1. Situation. 12pt Arial black font. Background leading to the need for the tasking. Describe why this tasking is needed, what is the mission/intent of higher HQ and higher HQ/DA timeline. Describe the Commander’s intent. Frame the problem or issue so all can understand why this tasking is needed. If TASKORD has a short suspense justify why the urgency, what is the external suspense being met. If you have background documents describe and list as an enclosures. Ensure the electronic attachments are named the same as written in the order. Situation subparagraphs may be used to describe missions or parallel efforts of other ACOMs, ASCCs or DA Staff.


3. Execution.
3.A. Suspense: (DDMMYY such as 03JUN15.) If multiple suspenses, list each with brief description. All suspenses must be referenced within the body of the TASKORD under 3.C. TASKS. NOTE: If suspense is less than 30 days, submission must be approved by CO/LGS-15. Approving official must be listed in paragraph 5D.

3.B. Concept of Operations. (Explain the situation and mission paragraphs. Describe how the Lead sees the actions of subordinate units fitting together to accomplish the mission. May be a single paragraph or multiple subparagraphs. Address decisive and shaping operations. Address phases if appropriate. This is not the paragraph for specific tasks only a description of how the overall mission.)

3.C. Tasks. (Identify each in a separate line, the standard first task is always 3.C.1 acknowledge receipt of tasking to primary POC. Use actual name – do not just refer to a following paragraph.)

3.C.1. Acknowledge. Within 2 working days reply via e-mail to Lead point of contact (POC) (Use actual name - do not just refer to a following paragraph.)

3.C.2. Specify two to CFL, CoE, and Staff in separate lines. Be clear what is to be done. Tasks should be to CFL, CoE and not to sub-elements within a major organization.

3.C.2(a). (Format for multiple subparagraphs.)

DELETE all instructions from final version.

ENTER appropriate protective marking or classification (AWAR 380-5)

Version 1 Apr 16. Previous versions are obsolete.

Figure C-1. Sample HQ TRADOC Tasking Order
Figure C-1. Sample HQ TRADOC Tasking Order, continued
Figure C-1. Sample HQ TRADOC Tasking Order, continued
Figure C-1. Sample HQ TRADOC Tasking Order, continued
Appendix D
Procedures and Formats for Readheads

D-1. Procedures for Readheads

a. The OCG determines readahead requirements and forwards them to the SGS SACO. When a proponent is not identified, the SGS SACO assigns an office of primary responsibility as the HQ TRADOC staff lead. The SACO assigns CATS control numbers and notifies designated action offices via official tasker. Lead will submit readahead packet electronically in accordance with instructions in paragraphs D-2a(1)-(3) and Table D-1.

b. The lead coordinates directly with external agencies and other staff offices to obtain pertinent topics and information for timely completion of readahead products. For events that a member of the Command Group or external agencies schedules, the lead consolidates all input and assessments into the final readahead product. Upon receipt of the tasker, lead will e-mail the name of the AO to the CG scheduler and the OCG Operations NCO. No later than 2 duty days prior to event, the lead must e-mail the list of attendees to the CG scheduler and the OCG Operations NCO.

c. Suspense for submission of the readahead to SGS is no later than 4 duty days prior to the event. Pending GO/SES approval or receipt of information from external agencies must not delay submission; however, if the GO is TDY, the appropriate official should approve the readahead prior to submission to SGS. The partial submission is vital to alert all concerned of the status and to initiate review and analysis. Include a “placeholder” page in partial submissions to identify what is pending, from whom, and date of expected completion. At a minimum, ensure executive overview is submitted on time. Upon completion of delayed items, add to the initial partial submission as an update, rather than reconstructing an entirely new submission.

d. AOs can contact the CPG upon receipt of a CG readahead tasking for advice and/or recommendations to ensure an accurate, timely, and relevant product for the CG. Coordinate any required or desired "Opening Remarks" with CPG prior to submission of the readahead and mention in the executive overview (first tab of readahead). AO can contact the SGS office at DSN 501-5199/5202, (757) 501-5199/5202 or e-mail to usarmy-jble.tradoc.mbx.hq-tradoc-sad@mail.mil for administrative guidance or questions pertaining to readahead preparation.

e. When the CG uses desktop VTC or VTC facilities, the AO will provide the CG Executive Officer with a seating chart that includes personnel in the VTC room with the CG, as well as the VTC participants (first name, last name, and position). The AO is responsible for collecting and reporting all VTC site ids/aliases to the HQ TRADOC VTC Team via the Conference Room Scheduler (CRS). The AO is responsible for notifying all attendees of cancellations or changes in times and/or locations as they occur.

f. Upon submission of the readahead to SGS, the SACO checks for format compliance and uploads the documents to a secure SharePoint portal so the command group (CG, DCG/CoS, DCoS, and CPG) can print and process accordingly.
D-2. Format

a. Composition and transmittal.

(1) CG Readheads. All CG readheads will be e-mailed electronically to the TRADOC SGS office. Submit readahead documents NLT 4 days prior to the event, or in accordance with the CATS suspense via e-mail to the TRADOC SGS office. Ensure all document file names for readahead electrons are clearly named (for example, HQ TF 5, TAB A - Executive Overview, TAB B - Briefing Slides, etc.) SGS will upload CG readheads to a secure SharePoint portal and provide e-mail notification to the Command Group. The respective Command Group offices will print the CG, DCG, DCoS, and CPG copies of the readhead. If the readahead document changes, provide updates via e-mail to the TRADOC SGS office. SGS will upload updated documents to the secure SharePoint portal and notify the Command Group of the changes.

(2) DCG Readheads. All DCG readheads will be sent electronically and directly to the DCG’s office. Submit readahead documents NLT 2 days prior to the event via e-mail to the DCG’s Executive Assistant and cc the DCG’s XO and Aide. Action officer must also provide hard copy of the readahead at the meeting or briefing to the DCG.

(3) DCoS Readheads. All DCoS readheads will be sent electronically and directly to the DCoS' office. Submit readahead documents NLT 2 days prior to the event via e-mail to the DCoS' Executive Assistant and the DCoS' NCOIC and cc the DCoS' XO.
### Table D-1
**Configuration of Readahead**

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* Include visitor template for all visitors to TRADOC, except foreign visitors.

b. TF 5. Forward all readahead to the SGS, Staff Actions Division with a one-page TF 5, as outlined below. The following paragraphs on the TF 5 will include minimal information. Include expanded details in the executive overview. Subject line on TF 5 should read exactly like the subject of the actual tasking.

1. **PURPOSE.** To complete the sentence "Prepare the CG for..." explain the 5Ws (see Figure D-1).

2. **DISCUSSION.** Include your key discussion points.

3. **COORDINATION.** Ensure pertinent coordination across TRADOC in accordance with TR 10-5, paragraph 2-6. Consider early contact with PAO, CPG, SJA, ESO, and SGS.

c. Table of contents. Place the table of contents as the first page under the TF 5. See Figure D-2 for an example.
TRADOC Regulation 1-11

**TRADOC FORM 5**: What is the purpose of the CG’s participation in the event, visit, or brief? The answers should address the following:
- Who is participating?
- What is TRADOC there to accomplish?
- When will the event take place?
- Where will it occur?
- Why is it important to the Nation, the Army, and TRADOC to do this and why now? (Specifics)

**BLUF**: Is this readahead going to prepare the CG for the event? Will this readahead ensure the CG is expert at representing TRADOC’s position?
- Include only essential items (4 bullets) using key points the CG should know before the event.
- Ensure all pertinent issues are covered succinctly and to the point in the Overview.
- Do not delay submission pending GO or SES approval.
- CPG review of readahead is for content and relevancy.
- The Overview must capture all salient points found in the remainder of the readahead.
- Must include a Strategic Analysis with reference to points in following tabs in the readahead (tabs are listed on the Table of Contents):
  -- Executive Overview (*required*)
  -- Itinerary (*required for visits, events*)
  -- Participants/Points of Contact (*required*)
  -- Other items (*Put briefs here*)
  -- Social Schedule (*for social events only*)
  -- Background (*only topics directly relevant to the main issue or brief; include biography only if this is the first meeting with the CG*)
  -- Logistical Requirements (*not usually required; CG’s office will develop*)
  -- Visitor Template (*include for all but foreign visitors*)
  -- Work Plan (*include only if this is a prep for a major event or conference, like Requirements Review Council or Association of United States Army*)

Figure D-1. Readahead guidance
Visit of General (R) Moring  
3-4 Nov 15  

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Figure D-2. Readahead table of contents
D-3. Assembling Readahead

Description of tabs.

a. Executive overview and index cards with 4 bullets (required for all readahead). This is the most important part of the readahead. In one to two pages, succinctly frame all primary issues and include any joint perspective and a strategic analysis. State the issue or topic and identify each stakeholder, his/her position, and both the implications of his/her position and any hidden agendas for engaging the CG. For each issue or topic, provide the response options available to the CG and the recommended TRADOC position, based on the detailed staff assessment, joint perspective, and strategic analysis. (Figure D-3 is an example of an executive overview.)

b. Briefing(s) (in presentation/agenda timetable sequence). If printing a hard copy, print paper slides on one side, in color, if the use of color differentiates data. Ensure briefing slides include page numbers.

c. Information paper(s). Include point and/or information papers only when additional details have a distinct bearing on the purpose of the event involving the CG. Do not duplicate information contained in the executive overview or primary brief; include only papers directly relevant to the purpose of the brief. Do not provide the CG with too much information. Use standard formats for discussion, information, point, or position papers, as appropriate for the topic(s) and event. Use decision memorandums only in exceptional cases.

d. Itinerary. The itinerary provides the when, where, and what in sequential order, and cross-references these events with details found at various tabs in the readahead book (see example at Figure D-4). Provide full itinerary for very important persons (VIPs) while in the company of the CG. Provide short comments on persons the VIP is scheduled to meet after the CG and why. This information could impact the CG's discussion with the VIP.

e. Participants/POCs. List attendees, including all from TRADOC, in descending order, senior official at top. Include grade, name, title, and organization. At the bottom, list POCs with primary responsibility for actions during the event. Include office telephone numbers to reach individuals during the event (including cellular and blackberry numbers). (See example at Figure D-5.) E-mail the list to appropriate Command Group office no later than 2 duty days prior to event and provide updates on participants as they occur. If the CG is attending, include a seating chart diagram of the meeting room (see Figure 4-1 and Figure 4-2). Do not provide the CG biographies of TRADOC personnel or other GOs that the CG knows or works with routinely.

f. Other items of interest. In point paper format, include topics not on the itinerary, but which may occur should the opportunity present itself. Include tentative office calls and anticipated sidebar discussions. This tab should also include a list and biographical sketches of key attendees, any formal remarks, and the seating arrangement for the CG's table.

g. Social schedule. Include as required. If there is no social event, omit this tab.

h. Background material. Include other biographies, historical information, and other related documents (e-mail, articles, white papers, etc.). Also, include any additional papers with a distinct bearing on the purpose of the event involving the CG, but do not duplicate information contained in the primary brief.
Executive Overview
Visit of General (R) Moring
3-4 Mar 18

1. GENERAL. This provides an overview of the visit of General (R) Moring, Former French Army Chief of Staff.

2. BACKGROUND. This CSA-invited visit results from a meeting between French Army Chief of Staff and CSA on 18 Jan 18 in the Pentagon. General (R) Moring led the French Army’s transformation efforts. The visit is to share lessons learned. See TAB H.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS. Actions or comments the CG should consider:
   a. Express that France is an extremely important ally and close friend of the U.S. Army-to-Army relations, in particular, are excellent, as evidenced by French and American Soldiers serving together in Operation Enduring Freedom.
   b. Encourage the utility of maintaining the full-time liaison and exchange personnel within the French and U.S. Armies. Highlight the key role that the French Army Senior Liaison to TRADOC and the TRADOC Senior Liaison to French Army plays in keeping TRADOC and EUCOM synchronize.

4. STRATEGIC ANALYSIS:
   a. The French-U.S. Army liaison and exchange network remains robust and very beneficial.
   b. The French/U.S. Army Staff Talks program, in existence since 1979, has conducted 27 staff talks to date. Staff talks focus on doctrine, training and education, materiel and equipment, and logistics. These areas facilitate an ongoing dialogue on transformation-related topics. The theme for the 2018 staff talks is “Future Warfighting in Military Operations in Urban Terrain by a Digitized and Reinforced Combined Arms Brigade.”

5. MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUES. Current U.S. objectives toward its relations with France:
   a. Encourage a strong French defense; encourage close French-NATO cooperation; and to maintain a bilateral defense relationship designed to maximize common interests around the globe.
   b. Since 2005, when the French military began its latest round of dramatic transformation, the French Army has shrunk by almost half (TAB C).

Figure D-3. Readahead executive overview
B. ATTENDEES/PARTICIPANTS. Principal attendees are General (R) Moring (former Chief of Staff of the French Army and creator of French Rapid Reaction Forces), Colonel Millard (Army Attaché at French Embassy in Washington, D.C., and former French Liaison Officer to HQ TRADOC). See TAB E for all participants.

7. DATE/TIME/PLACE. Arrival 2 Mar 18 at 1300, CG office call 1330-1430, DCG/CoS office call 1430-1445, roundtable discussion in the Command Conference Room 1500-1700, and CG-hosted dinner in the evening. Departure after a no-host breakfast on 5 Mar 18 at 0900. See TAB D for detailed itinerary, and TAB G for social schedule.

As of: 1 Mar 18
Prepared: LTC Bos/501-5669
Approved: COL Letendre/501-5690

Figure D-3. Readahead executive overview, continued
i. Logistics. Include transportation details (who, what, where, when, how) and billeting information for the CG. The OCG can provide this information.

j. Visitor template. For visitors to HQ TRADOC (except foreign visitors), prepare a presentation slide deck that provides pertinent information for the CG, DCG/CoS, or DCoS (biography of visitor, any previous visits to HQ TRADOC, purpose of visit, others accompanying the visitor, itinerary, seating chart, command takeaways). Include a printout of the presentation slides as a part of the readahead.

k. Work plan. This tab contains a list of all AOs contributing to the readahead, the IPR schedule, and the After Action Report, which the AO compiles the week following the event. The AO is the primary user of this information, but it may be helpful when answering questions from the CG during IPRs or prebriefs.
### ITINERARY
**IPR – THE MARS COLONY MISSION 2018**

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<th>WHAT</th>
<th>WHERE</th>
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<td>C21 Flight</td>
<td>LAFB to Kennedy Space Center (KSC)</td>
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<td>NASA Project Status Overview</td>
<td>KSC HQ Bldg, Rm 21</td>
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<td>OMB Budget Briefing</td>
<td>KSC HQ Bldg, Rm 21</td>
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<td>DOD Overview</td>
<td>KSC HQ Bldg, Rm 21</td>
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<td>KSC Armory Bldg</td>
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<td>DOD Title IV, V ES Operation Briefing</td>
<td>KSC VTC Facility</td>
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<td>KSC HQ Bldg, Rm 7</td>
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<td>1800-0100</td>
<td>Social/Dinner</td>
<td>KSC Club</td>
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<td>20 Jan</td>
<td>C21 Flight</td>
<td>KSC to LAFB</td>
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Figure D-4. Readahead itinerary
CG, TRADOC Trip
Vint Hill Farms Station, Virginia
3-4 Nov 18

PARTICIPANTS

1. Video teleconference - After Action Review and Lessons Learned (3 Nov, 1600-1800)
   GEN Xxxxx Commander TRADOC
   LTG Xxxxx DCG, ARCIC TRADOC
   BG Xxxxx Dep Comdt CGSC

2. Leader Development (4 Nov, 1130-1200)
   GEN Xxxxx Commander TRADOC
   LTG Xxxxx DCG, ARCIC TRADOC
   MG Xxxxx DCS, G-3/5/7 TRADOC
   BG Xxxxx Dep Comdt CGSC

3. Video teleconference - Integrating New Operational Environment into Training and Leader Development (4 Nov, 1230-1345)
   LTG Xxxxx Commander CAC
   LTG Xxxxx DCG, ARCIC TRADOC
   MG Xxxxx DCG, G-3/5/7 TRADOC
   Mr Xxxxx DCS, G-1/4 TRADOC
   BG Xxxxx Dep Comdt CGSC

POCs/Phone Numbers

XC to CG, CAC: LTC Bob Jones, DSN 552-XXXX, 913-XXX-XXXX

CGSC, Staff Group Leader, LTC Tom Davis, DSN 552-XXXX, 913-XXX-XXXX

Figure D-5. Readahead participants/POCs
Appendix E
TF 5-E

E-1. Completing TF 5-E
Complete TF 5-E for CG, DCG/CoS, and DCoS correspondence (see Figure E-1 for sample and instructions page).

E-2. Assembling the action
See Figure 3-1 for assembling the staff action in the proper order.
Figure E-1. Sample TF 5-E
Figure E-1. Sample TF 5-E, continued
Appendix F
Zone Improvement Plan (ZIP)+4 Address Format

F-1. Mandatory lines of address

a. An address must contain three mandatory lines (DOD activity name line; delivery address line; and city, state, and ZIP code line) but may include up to five lines. The United States Postal Service limits the DOD activity name line to 48 characters, including spaces. If using abbreviated DOD activity names, ensure the abbreviated name is clear and understandable to all parties concerned. Examples of addresses are shown in Figures E-1 through E-3. Note: District of Columbia will be abbreviated as DC. See Figure E-1 below.

b. Outgoing delivery address: All delivery addresses will use ZIP+4 values.

DOD ACTIVITY NAME LINE
DELIVERY ADDRESS LINE
CITY STATE ZIP CODE+4

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
101 ARMY PENTAGON
WASHINGTON DC 20310-0101

Figure F-1. Example of an outgoing (delivery) three-line ZIP+4 address

OFFICE NAME LINE
ATTENTION LINE
DOD ACTIVITY NAME LINE
DELIVERY ADDRESS LINE
CITY STATE ZIP CODE+4

OFFICE OF THE DCS G-3/5/7
ATTN ATTG ZA
TRADOC
950 JEFFERSON AVENUE
FORT EUSTIS VA 23604-5711

Figure F-2. Example of an outgoing (delivery) five-line ZIP+4 address

c. Return address: The “DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY” is the first line of the return address. All return addresses will show ZIP+4 values (23604-5700).

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE NAME LINE
ATTENTION LINE
DOD ACTIVITY NAME LINE
DELIVERY ADDRESS LINE
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE+4
OFFICIAL BUSINESS ACCOUNT #

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE DCS G-6
ATTN ATIM II
TRADOC
661 SHEPPARD PLACE
FORT EUSTIS VA 23604-5733
OFFICIAL BUSINESS 40 06

Figure F-3. Example of a return ZIP+4 address
F-2. Optional lines of address

   a. The two additional lines are optional and, if used, MUST appear above the mandatory three lines:

      1st line: Office name line *(OPTIONAL)*
      2d line: Attention line (individual’s name, office symbol) *(OPTIONAL)*
      3d line: DOD activity name line *(MANDATORY)*
      4th line: Delivery address line *(MANDATORY)*
      5th line: City, state, ZIP code + 4 *(MANDATORY)*

   Figure F-4. Optional and mandatory lines of address

   b. Format the mailing address with a uniform left margin, with all characters typed or machine printed in UPPERCASE letters. The United States Postal Service automation equipment cannot read hand printing and rubber stamps; therefore they are not authorized. Leave all punctuation out of the address format, except for the hyphen in the ZIP code. *NOTE:* Allow only one space between state and ZIP code.

F-3. HQ TRADOC City Designation. When preparing a return label for official mail, use Fort Eustis as the city name. Do not use Joint Base Langley-Eustis.

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Appendix G
Headquarters, Department of the Army (HQDA) Form 5

G-1. Use of HQDA Form 5
Staff actions going to the SA, CSA, USA, VCSA, DAS, VDAS or SMA must include a HQDA Form 5 at TAB A. This form functions as the transmittal sheet for the response. It summarizes the action, identifies the originating office, and includes coordination and approval for release.

G-2. Completing HQDA Form 5
Complete HQDA Form 5 using the instructions on page 3 of the form (see Figure G-1).

G-3. Assembling the action
Include the HQDA Form 5 under TAB A of the TF 5-E when assembling the staff action (see Figure 3-1).
**Figure G-1. Sample HQDA Form 5**

### Army Staffing Form

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Tracking Number</td>
<td>Leave blank unless it's a tasker</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Today's Date</td>
<td>20180303</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Suspect Date</td>
<td>(YY/MM/DD)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lead Staff Agency</td>
<td>TRADOC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Subject</td>
<td>Must Match HQDA Subject if it's responding to a tasker</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Routing</td>
<td>ECC POC (Initial) ESC (Rank, Name, Phone No.) DIR, ESC (Initial)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Comments</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Origin</td>
<td>Requirement from SA</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Meeting/Forum/Other</td>
<td>State what meeting/forum/directive initiated the action, e.g., CSA/TRADOC Discussion Forum. 3 Jan 18</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>What is in this packet?</td>
<td>TAB A: Place the document for signature or information at TAB A. TAB B: Place supporting document at TAB B. TAB C: Place additional supporting document at TAB C.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Action Seeks Senior Leader</td>
<td>Signature</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Recommendation</td>
<td>Provided for information in response to CSA's request for follow-up.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Key Areas Impacted</td>
<td>Funding</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Policy</td>
<td>Congressional</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Key Point(s) the Senior Leaders Should Get from This Action</td>
<td>Place the most important points you want to make here.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Maximum two lines</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Additional Information</td>
<td>a. Remember you are writing as if you are the CG, TRADOC writing to the CSA, or other senior leader. Maintain that perspective.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Amplify information from the key points. Discussion should give the most important background without leaving holes that would make the senior leader have to ask questions.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Notice the subparagraphs (like this one) are flush left. They are not indented like on the TRADOC Form 5.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>d. There is no official continuation sheet to the HQDA Form 5.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**HQDA Form 5, Aug 2017 (UNCLASSIFIED)**
Figure G-1. Sample HQDA Form 5, continued
Figure G-1. Sample HQDA Form 5, continued
Appendix H
Uploading Documents to the TKE Actions Library Web site

H-1. Title TF 5-E and supporting documents

a. If a CATS number is assigned:

(1) Title the TF 5-E with the CATS number and Form 5 (for example IN509059 Form 5).

(2) Title each supporting document as “TAB” and labeled respectively (for example TAB A - One Time Review of SSN Use and Justification).

b. If a CATS number is not assigned:

(1) Title the TF 5-E as Form 5 and the subject (for example Form 5 - One Time Review of SSN Use and Justification).

(2) Title each support document as “TAB” and the subject (for example TAB A - One Time Review of SSN Use and Justification Memorandum).

c. The first tab “TAB A” is always the document requiring the recipient’s action or attention, such as signature (or approval) in accordance with paragraph 3-2.

H-2. Upload TF 5-E and supporting documents

Designated organization POCs will electronically upload the digitally signed TF 5-E and supporting documents to the TKE Actions Library (See Figure H-1 for image of the TKE Actions Library.) Notify SGS at usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.hq-tradoc-sad@mail.mil that documents are uploaded.

Figure H-1. TKE Actions library
H-3. Personally Identifiable Information (PII)

Documents with PII will be placed in the PII Items List. This particular list is set up with restricted permissions in order to safeguard PII. Only individuals with the need to know can view all documents in the PII Items List. Those who upload documents in this list will only be able to see the specific documents they upload. Detailed instructions to upload to the PII list click on “All Site Content” then “Announcements.”

H-4. Organization folders

Each TRADOC organization has a folder where designated POCs will upload tasking documents consisting of the TF 5-E and supporting documents. Click your organization’s title to access your organization’s actions library (see Figure H-2).

![Figure H-2. Organization folders in TKE Actions Library](image-url)
H-5. Creating a new sub-folder

a. Create a new sub-folder to hold the documents to be uploaded. Click the “Documents” tab which will reveal the “New Folder” icon. Click the New Folder icon. (see Figure H-3).

![Figure H-3. Creating a new sub-folder](image1)

b. Title the new sub-folder using the CATS number (if assigned) and the tasking subject name (for example: IN509059 - One Time Review of SSN Use and Justification) (see Figure H-4).

![Figure H-4. Titling a new action folder](image2)
c. Click OK and the screen will refresh to show the new action folder (see Figure H-5).

![Figure H-5. New action folder is added](image)

**H-6. Uploading document(s)**

a. Click on the new folder link and then on the “Add document” link (see Figure H-6). This will bring up a “browse” window (see Figure H-7).

![Figure H-6. Add a document to the folder](image)
b. Click on the “Browse…” button to navigate to the document you want to upload. You can upload multiple documents at one time by clicking the “Upload Multiple Documents” link. Click “OK” after the “Name” populates. Make sure the “Overwrite existing files” box is checked. (see Figure H-7).

c. To upload a document, navigate to it in the drive in which it is stored and click “Open” (see Figure H-8).
d. The document(s) will be uploaded and the screen will return to the main window of the document library. Figure H-9 shows the TF 5-E in the titled action folder.

![Figure H-9. Selected document is added to action folder](image)

e. Close the browser when finished.

f. Send an e-mail to SGS alerting them that the documents have been uploaded. SGS mailbox address is usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.hq-tradoc-sad@mail.mil. Or notify G-33 at usarmy.jble.tradoc.mbx.eustis-g33-tasking@mail.mil. Title the subject line of the e-mail with the CATS number (if assigned) and the subject title (for example Subject: IN509059 - One Time Review of SSN Use and Justification).

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### Appendix I

#### Public Distribution Lists

I-1. **Command Group E-mail distribution lists**

The Command Group E-mail Distribution Lists include frequently used distribution lists such as Commanders/Commandants–TRADOC, Chiefs–TRADOC, XO–TRADOC, SGS–TRADOC and TRADOC Staff Principals. These distribution lists are located on the global address list.

I-2. **Guidance for using Command Group E-mail distribution lists**

The Commanders/Commandants–TRADOC distribution list should be used only by GOs and SESs. The Chiefs–TRADOC distribution list should be used by assistant deputy chiefs of staff or their equivalents. The SGS–TRADOC and XO–TRADOC distribution lists may be used by anyone. Used together, these two lists are the best tools for distributing information to all of TRADOC.
Glossary

Section I
Abbreviations and Acronyms

AAR  after action report
ACOM  Army command
AKO  Army Knowledge Online
AMHS  Automated Message Handling System
AO  action officer
AR  Army regulation
ARIMS  Army Records Information Management System
CAO  Congressional Activities Office
CATS  Command Action Tracking System
cc  courtesy copy
CDO  Command Diversity Office
CG  commanding general
CGAC  Command Group Actions Center
CoS  chief of staff
CPG  commander's planning group
CS  chief of staff (CATS Control Number Prefix)
CSA  Chief of Staff, Army
DA  Department of the Army
DCG  deputy commanding general
DCG/CoS  deputy commanding general/chief of staff
DCoS  TRADOC Deputy Chief of Staff
DCS  deputy chief of staff
DCS, G-1/4  Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel and Logistics
DCS, G-2  Deputy Chief of Staff, Intelligence
DCS, G-3/5/7  Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, Plans, and Training
DCS, G-6  Deputy Chief of Staff, Command, Control, Communications, and Computers
DCS, G-8  Deputy Chief of Staff, Resource Management
DCS, G-9  Deputy Chief of Staff, Engagement
DOD  Department of Defense
DSN  Defense Switch Network
DTA  defense travel administrator
DTS  Defense Travel System
ES  external suspense (CATS control number prefix for actions generated by proponent)
EX  G-33 external tasking prefix
ESO  Executive Services Office
EXSUM  executive summary
FOUO  for official use only
FOA  field operating activity
G-33  Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7 Current Operations
GO  general officer
HQDA  Headquarters, Department of the Army
TRADOC Regulation 1-11

HQ        headquarters
IN        G-33 internal tasking prefix
IPR       in-process review
ITA       invitational travel authorization
LGBT      lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender
MOA       memorandum of agreement
MOU       memorandum of understanding
NDEA      non-designated entry agent
NIPRNET   non-secure internet protocol router network
OCG       Office of the Commanding General
OMS       Organizational Messaging Service
OP        G-33 operational tasking
OSJA      Office of the Staff Judge Advocate
PAO       Public Affairs Office
PII       personally identifiable information
POC       point of contact
PKI       Public Key Infrastructure
RC        Reserve component
SACO      staff action control officer
SAD       Staff Actions Division
SES       senior executive service
SGS       Secretary of the General Staff
SIPRNET   secure internet protocol router network
SJA       staff judge advocate
SLA       service level agreement
SME       subject matter expert
SOOB      Staff Officer Orientation Briefing
TASKORD   tasking order
TDY       temporary duty
TEC       TRADOC Enterprise Calendar
TKE       TRADOC Knowledge Environment
TF        TRADOC Form
TMT       Task Management Tool
TR        TRADOC regulation
TRADOC    U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command
VCSA      Vice Chief of Staff, Army
VIP       very important person
VTC       video teleconference
XO        executive officer
ZIP       zone improvement plan

Section II
Terms

This section contains no entries.
Section III
Special Abbreviations and Terms

5Ws
Who, what, when, where, and why

Assist
Offices/activities that help or support the lead in preparing the final tasking deliverable.

Designated organization POC(s)
The designated administrative individual, or team, within subordinate organizations, special activities, FOAs, schools and centers, and HQ TRADOC who interacts with the SGS SAD and G-33 on behalf of their organization.

Lead
Office/activity with the responsibility for preparing, coordinating, and submitting a final tasking deliverable by the assigned suspense date. This includes identifying and acquiring required resources (for example personnel, funding, facilities, etc.) for mission accomplishment.

Mission analysis
Evaluation and assessment to determine the specified, implied, and essential tasks; reason for GO involvement; identify critical facts and assumptions and available resources. Mission analysis is performed to varying degrees at different levels when completing an action. For example, TRADOC Operations (G-33) provide a mission statement to responsible organizations (lead and assists), including the 5Ws, purpose, action, and reason based on a brief version of mission analysis using available information with minimal or no research. At the subject matter expert level, specified or implied tasks are developed further.

Proponent
The proponent is the organization (command or staff) responsible for initiating, preparing, and coordinating actions and correspondence.

Subordinate Organizations
Refers to all core function leads (CFLs) (U.S. Combined Arms Center, U.S. Army Cadet Command, U.S. Army Recruiting Command, and U.S. Army Center for Initial Military Training), special activities, field operating activities, schools, and centers.

Tasking or Tasker
Any action originating from higher HQ; TRADOC CG; TRADOC activities or subordinate commands; HQDA; other services; outside agencies; Congress; the White House; and the general public that requires resources (personnel, equipment, funds) or policy/program decisions that is disseminated to a lead organization/staff office for analysis, review, and reply. Organizations/staff offices assigned as assists report to the lead for the action. Taskings are monitored through a tracking system that assigns control numbers and suspense dates.