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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Policy Letter #17 – Withholding Command Authority and UCMJ jurisdiction for misconduct by Soldiers in the rank of Staff Sergeant (E-6)

1. Effective immediately, the approving authority for UCMJ or nonjudicial punishment and action for all misconduct committed by Soldiers in the rank of Staff Sergeant (E-6) and above is withheld from subordinate commanders. The battalion commander will conduct action for Staff Sergeants. The commander of 30th ADA BDE withholds the authority for action on misconduct by Sergeants First Class and Master Sergeants not serving in 1SG positions. The Commanding General, Fires Center of Excellence, withholds the authority for action on all misconduct committed by NCOs fulfilling the duties, regardless of rank, of First Sergeant, Command Sergeants Major, Sergeants Major, Warrant Officers, and Officers. All offenses for Staff Sergeants along with the initiated solutions will be reported directly to the commander, 2-6 ADA BN, through the proper chain of command as soon as the subordinate commanders become aware of the incident, or issue.

2. Subordinate commanders will continue to possess authority to finalize UCMJ or nonjudicial punishments for offenses committed by Soldiers of the ranks Sergeants (E-5) and below. Subordinate commanders along with the brigade trial counsel may be consulted as needed.

3. This policy does not affect a subordinate commander's requirement to flag Soldiers of any rank involved in misconduct. The final approving authority of all actions initiated by the subordinate commanders is the appropriate commander from paragraph 1 of this memorandum. Subordinate commanders possess the right to request jurisdiction from the battalion commander for Staff Sergeants.

4. The POC for this memorandum is the undersigned at michael.m.goglia.mil@army.mil.

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