



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 1ST SIGNAL BRIGADE(NETCOM/9TH SC(A))
UNIT# 15271
APO AP 96205-5271

NETC-SKC

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Policy Letter #15, Resiliency and Family Time (RAFT)

1. **APPLICABILITY:** This policy applies to all 1st Signal Brigade Service Members
2. **STATEMENT OF MILITARY PURPOSE AND NECESSITY:** Service Members and their families are the heart and soul of the organization and the Army. In this era of persistent conflict and demanding operational tempo, quality time with families has never been more important for the continuing vitality of our Army. Our goal is to preserve and protect predictable time so Soldiers and families can plan family activities in support of personal needs and desires. RAFT is designed for Soldiers and their families to build resiliency through physical, psychological, social, and spiritual resources. These resources help Soldiers and their families prepare for, adapt to, and grow from military lifestyle demands. By helping them feel more secure and connected in daily life, they can build resilience to cope with common military stressors.
3. **POLICY.**
 - a. Resiliency and Family Time. On Thursdays the 1st Signal Brigade observes RAFT. Soldiers working a typical duty day will be released NLT 1500.
 - b. Staff Duty and Charge of Quarters type duties are not affected by this policy and will be conducted in accordance with standing operating procedures.
 - c. Exceptions to Policy. The authority for exceptions to this policy is the undersigned. Requests for exceptions will be coordinated directly with the undersigned or Deputy Commander.
 - d. This policy will remain in effect until superseded or rescinded. It applies to all units and directorates within the 1st Signal Brigade. This policy will be permanently posted on unit and directorate bulletin boards.

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read "Paul B. Elliott".

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COL, SC
Commanding

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