



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
HEADQUARTERS, EIGHTH ARMY  
UNIT 15236  
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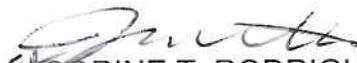
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MEMORANDUM FOR Army Civilian Employees in Korea

SUBJECT: Living Quarters Allowances Audit

1. This is notice that a Living Quarters Allowance (LQA) audit has commenced for DoD civilian employees in Korea. The Civilian Human Resources Agency (CHRA) is conducting the audit for Army employees and the audit is scheduled to be completed no later than 3 April 2013.
2. Two claims decisions issued in 2008 and 2011 by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) made it clear that Living Quarters Allowance (LQA) is not payable when an individual is subsequently hired after having been employed overseas by more than one prior employer. The DoD has directed an audit to identify any inconsistent application of this policy.
3. Any employee assigned to this command who received erroneous LQA payments will be notified of such no later than 8 April 2013. All allowances received in violation of the above policy are subject to repayment. Affected employees can expect to receive debt notices from the Defense Finance and Accounting Services.
4. Waiver of these debts may be requested through the DFAS debt waiver process. The DoD has indicated a willingness to support appropriate requests for debt waiver.
5. The DoD recognizes that a sudden loss of current LQA payments will have a serious financial impact and, accordingly, has authorized a continuation of LQA for up to one year after notice is provided.
6. Please see related enclosures for additional information, including frequently asked questions about the audit.

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