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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Resumption of Authority to Purchase Coins for Award and Recognition Purposes

1. Reference: Department of the Army Memorandum, Subject: Temporary Suspension of Authority to Purchase Coins for Award and Recognition Purposes, 01 April 2013.
2. Referenced suspension of authority to purchase coins is lifted, effective immediately.
3. Additionally, based upon our current budget environment, all Commanders of Army Commands, Army Service Component Commands, and Direct Reporting Units, as well as Principal Officials of Headquarters, Department of the Army, will review their purchase procedures with a goal of effecting a 25% reduction in total expenditures on coins. Commanders and Principal Officials are encouraged to maximize the use of other awards and recognitions currently available.
4. Headquarters, Department of the Army (HQDA) will continue to monitor coin purchases and review the coin policy in context of the current fiscal environment and make any necessary adjustments or changes to that policy.
5. The HQDA point of contact is LTC Colleen Carr at (502) 613-8547.

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