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MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Extended Periods of Temporary Duty Authorized for Department of Defense
Civilian Employees Deployed to a Combat Zone

Reference: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness memorandum,
"Extended Temporary Duty Assignments to Iraq and Afghanistan," dated
January 6, 2014 (hereby rescinded)

This memorandum authorizes temporary duty of 181 or more consecutive days for DoD
civilian employees temporarily assigned to a combat zone.

Combat zones are defined as geographic areas designated by an Executive Order from the
President as areas in which the U.S. Armed Forces are and have been engaged in combat; an area
designated by Public Law to be treated as if it were a combat zone; or locations the DoD has
certified for combat zone tax benefits due to their direct support of military operations in a
combat zone. The Internal Revenue Service maintains a complete list of combat zones.

This guidance is effective immediately, and will be incorporated into updates of the Joint
Travel Regulations and a forthcoming DoD Instruction concerning the DoD Expeditionary
Civilian Workforce.

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