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30 September 1944

SUBJECT: War Department Plan for Readjustment of Military Personnel.

TO : All Concerned.

Letter, this headquarters, file and subject as above, dated 27 September 1944, is amended by the following:

"Service subsequent to 16 September 1940, with Armed Forces of Allied Nations will be counted in computing the total length of Army service and overseas service on the Adjusted Service Rating Card."

By command of Licutement General DEVERS:

R. H. FRESE,

Captain, AGD, Asst Adjutant General.

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SUBJECT: Wer Department Plan for Readjustment of Military Personnel.

TO : All Concerned.

- 1. Tentative instructions received from the War Department relative to the readjustment of military personnel following the cessation of hostilities with Germany, indicate that all military personnel will fall into one of four categories as follows:
  - I Those to be retained for continued service in their current commands.
  - II Those to be trensferred from one theater to another or to the United States, or from the United States to a theater.
  - III Those to be assigned to different types of units and upon reassignment to full under category I or II.
    - IV Those determined to be non-essential and who are to be released.
- 2. In each case military necessity will govern decisions made with respect to any matter affecting an individual, number of individuals, or units.
- 3. In determining enlisted personnel who are non-essential, a correlation of length of service, overseas service, combat service and perenthood will be utilized. Each of these factors will be assigned a multiple, to be announced by the War Department, which will be used in arriving at the total credit of each enlisted person. Time spent in confinement will be deducted from the length of service and overseas service credit, whonever applicable.
- 4. The information on these factors will be recorded on an "Adjusted Service Hating Cara" (see inclosure #1) for each individual enliated person in the theater, on the basis of facts as of the date of the constion of hostilities ith Germany. Completed cards will be verified and initialled by each enlisted person, after which they will be permanently attached to service records and the information thereon kept current by personnel officers.
- 5. "Adjusted Service Rating Cards" (inclosure #1) will be reproduced locally as needed.

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6. Reports will be submitted to this headquarters not later than fifteen (15) days after the receipt of instructions to apply this plan, giving the following information:

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	Adjusted Service Rating Card	Report From
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Column 1 Total Cradits	Column 2 Number of Ground & Service Forces enlisted wen with same total credits.	Number of Air Force enlisted men with same total credits.	
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An identical report will be submitted simultaneously for enlisted wemen of the Wemen's Army Corps.

7. This information is furnished to assist all concerned, to make preparations for expeditious handling of this phase of the demobilization program at the close of hostilities with Germany. Further information relative to putting the plan into effect will be forwarded as received from the War Department.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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Adjusted Service Rating Card

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H. V. ROBERTS, Colonel, AGD, Adjutant General.

Inclosure #1 to Ltr, NATOL AG 370.01/418 A-0, dtd 27 September 1944

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ADJUSTED SERVI	CE	RATING	CARD
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Namo & Grade	Army Sorial No	
Unit	Arm or Service	
1103	SGN	
Type of Credit  1. SERVICE CREDIT No. of months in Army since Sept. 16, 1940  2. OVERSEAS CREDIT No. of months served overseas " " "  3. COMMAT CREDIT No. of Decorations & Bronze Service Stars		
4. PARENTHOOD CREDIT No. of children under 18 years old	TOTAL CREDITS	
VERIFIED BY Soldier's Initials	CERTIFIED BY	

## INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. DETERMINE ALL CREDITS AS OF THE DATE OF CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES IN EUROPE. Write the proper number for each type of credit in NULBER column. Multiply this number by the figure on the same line in the MULTIPLY BY column, and write the resulting figure in the CREDITS column. Add all figures in the CREDITS column to obtain the TOTAL CREDITS.
- 2. SERVICE CREDIT AND OVERSEAS CREDIT. After determining the number of whole months, give credit for an additional month if there is a residue of 15 or more days. Overseas service means any service outside of continental limits of the U.S., including Alaska. It begins on the date of leaving a Port of Embarkation and ends on the date of arrival at a port in the U.S.
- ing only: Medal of Honor, Distinguished Service Cross, Legion of Merit, Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross, Soldier's Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal, Furple Heart, and Bronze Service Stars (Battle Participation Stars). No other awards or ribbons will be included.
- 4. PARENTHOOD CREDIT. Credit will be given for children under 18 years of age as of date of cessation of hostilities, but will not be allowed for more than 3 children.

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