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Chapter 1 General

1-1. Purpose

This regulation prescribes Department of the Army (DA) policy for the conduct of military police investigation; establishes policies and procedures for selection, training, and employment of military police investigators (MPI); and identifies responsibilities for the conduct of the MPI Program.

1-2. Scope.

The provisions of this regulation apply to all DA military police investigative activities. Investigations conducted under the control of US Army Criminal Investigation Command (USACIDC) are governed by provisions of AR 10-23, AR 195-1 and AR 195-2.

1-3. Applicability.

With the exception of paragraph 1-6f and section II, chapter 3, which applies to the Army National Guard (ARNG) and the US Army Reserve (USAR), this regulation applies only to the Active Army. The ARNG and USAR will become subject to the remaining provisions only following mobilization or call to active Federal service. The ARNG and USAR are encouraged to comply with this regulation in the formulation of Standard Operating Procedures, unit policies, and the conduct of training in order to facilitate post-mobilization employment.

1-4. Explanation of terms.

Most of the terms peculiar to this regulation are found in appendix B, AR 190-45, Military police Records and Forms; AR 195-2, Criminal Investigation Activities; or AR 310-25, Dictionary of United States Army Terms. Other applicable terms are as follows:

a. Military police investigator program. A DA program established to assure uniformity and continuity of policy, procedures, and resources utilization in the conduct of military police investigations.

b. Military police investigator (MPI). Enlisted military police personnel (PMOS 95B ASI V5) in grade E3 through E7 who have been selected, trained, assigned, and certified to conduct investigation of criminal offenses and incidents under the direction of the installation or activity provost marshal/security officer, in accordance with this regulation.

c. Military police investigation. An investigation conducted by military police, usually MPI.

d. MPI credentials. A standard identification document (DA Form 3837 and DA Form 3837-1) used to identify MPI.

1-5. Concept.

a. Criminal offenses or incidents in the Army affecting or involving persons subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), civilian employees of the Department of Defense in connection with their assigned duties, or loss/damage of Government property under Army Jurisdiction or occurring in areas under Army control will be reported to military police. Military police/security police will refer all crimes, offenses or incidents falling within CID investigative responsibility to the appropriate CID element for investigation. A Military Police Report (DA Form 3975) will be used for this purpose. Investigation of other crimes, incidents, or criminal activities will be conducted by military police, unless responsibility is assumed by USACIDC in accordance with established procedures.

b. MPI fulfill a special need for an investigative element within the military police to finalize many of those incidents, complaints, and matters not within CID jurisdiction, but which cannot be resolved immediately through routine military police operations/activities. MPI personnel are assets of installation or activity commanders, usually under the supervision of the local provost marshal/security Officer. Close association and coordination between CID and MPI is essential. CID elements will provide investigative assistance in the form of professional expertise, laboratory examinations, polygraph examinations, or any other assistance requested which does not detract from the CID mission of investigating serious crimes. A spirit of cooperation must exist between CID

and MPI essential. CID elements will provide investigative assistance in the form of professional expertise, laboratory examinations, polygraph examinations, or any other assistance requested which does not detract from the CID mission of investigating serious crimes. A spirit of cooperation must exist between CID and MPI. A close working relationship at the operating level is essential to the solution of investigations, apprehension of offenders, acquisition of criminal information, and the projection of a professional police image.

c. Creation of a formalized MPI program does not constitute the establishment of a dual "detective" force. The separation of investigative responsibilities is very distinct. The MPI Program is neither a career program nor a separate MOS. Individuals in the MPI Program are specially elected, trained, and experienced military police men and women performing traditional military police functions. As members of their commander's law enforcement team, identified only by their additional skill identifiers (ASI V5), MPI are an extension of their commander's law enforcement capability. MPI personnel may be employed in any assignment appropriate to their grade and MOS. Personnel interested in a military career in criminal investigations should refer to AR 195-3.

1-6. Responsibilities.

a. Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel (DCSPER), (HQDA (DAPE-HRE)) is responsible for the development of policy and programs for the conduct of MP investigations, the criteria for selection and employment of MPI and the issue of MPI credentials.

b. The Commanding General, US Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) is responsible for development of doctrinal and applicator literature for identification of spaces for MPI in appropriate TOE and for formal military training. All MACOM commander will monitor the nomination of candidates for the MPI Program and will establish procedures and records to assure that only persons properly screened and cleared are trained and certified as MPOI. MACOMs will conduct periodic Staff inspections of MPI operations to assure that MPI activities are being conducted and administered in accordance with this and other applicable regulations.

c. CG, Military Personnel Center (MILPER CEN) (DAPC-EPL-M) is responsible for the administration and supervision of the personnel management aspects of the MPI Program; the evaluation of MPI candidates whose files indicate they may be unsuitable for the MPI Program; the verification of MPI clothing allowance requests prior to final approval by The Adjutant General; and the bulk issue of MPI credentials (DA Form 3837 and 3837-1). MILPERCEN will provide DCSPER MPI statistical data as required for the development of MPI policy and programs.

d. Commander, USACIDC (CICR-CR) is responsible for the screening of criminal and intelligence records and the referral of adverse information on MPI candidates to CG, MIL PERCEN for evaluation.

e. Installation/activity commanders employing MPI in active law enforcement operations are responsible for:

(1) Nominating military police personnel for certification as MPI.
(2) On-the-job training (OJT) and continuing (in-service) training of MPI.

(3) Supervision of the conduct of MP investigations.

(4) Issue and control of MPI credentials.

f. Army National Guard (ARNG) and US Army Reserve (USAR) commanders will be prepared to implement the MPI portion of the operational law enforcement function upon mobilization or call to active Federal service. The selection criteria for ARNG and USAR personnel is as prescribed in paragraph 2-1, except the screening of ARNG and USAR MPI personnel by the Crime Records Directorate (CRD), USACIDC is not required. MACOM's will issue credentials to ARNG and USAR personnel only upon mobilization or call to active Federal service. ARNG and USAR MPI personnel should be school trained whenever possible by completing either the Military Police Investigating Course (830-ASI-V%) or a correspondence course for MPI conducted by the US Army Military Police School (USAMPS). Annual training (AT and Inactive Duty Training (IDT)