



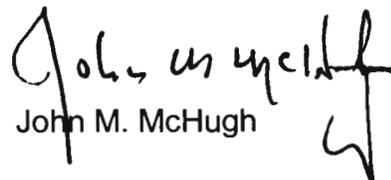
SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Army Directive 2012-27 (Invitations to the President of the United States, the Vice President of the United States or their Spouses)

1. Reference Army Regulation 1-9 (White House Liaison, Communications, and Inspections), 19 Jan 99.
2. The purpose of this directive is to clarify the requisite coordination for correspondence, specifically invitations, to the President of the United States (POTUS), the Vice President of the United States (VPOTUS) or their spouses. As appropriate, the guidance in this directive will be incorporated into the next revision of Army Regulation 1-9.
3. I have learned that, in recent weeks, various entities or organizations in the Department of Defense (DoD) invited the POTUS and VPOTUS to attend DoD-related events. Regrettably, these invitations were not coordinated through the Office of the Secretary of Defense. As a result, senior DoD leaders were unaware that the POTUS or VPOTUS planned to attend the DoD-related event, and protocol procedures for such important visits were compromised.
4. Effective immediately, invitations to the POTUS, VPOTUS or their spouses for participation in an Army event will be forwarded by memorandum through your command to the Office of the Secretary of the Army (DACS-ZDV-WHL), 200 Army Pentagon, Washington, DC 20310. Upon approval by the Secretary of the Army, the request will be forwarded through DoD for further processing and endorsement.
5. Direct any question to the White House Liaison Office; Executive Communications and Control; Office of the Chief of Staff, Army; (703) 697-0740 or usarmy.pentagon.hqda-csa.mbx.csa-white-house-liaison-office@mail.mil.
6. This directive is rescinded upon publication of the revised Army Regulation 1-9.


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