DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ANNOUNCES RECRUITING AND RETENTION NUMBERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020

The Department of Defense (DoD) today announced recruiting and retention statistics for the Active and Reserve Components through the fourth month of fiscal year 2020 [January 31, 2020].

- **Active Component.**
  - **Recruiting.** The fiscal year data below represents the Services’ cumulative monthly goals and monthly accessions/gains through the fourth month of fiscal year 2020, January 2020.
    - Army Accessions: Goal 14,540; Attained 15,373 (105.73 percent/+833).
    - Navy Accessions: Goal 13,189; Attained 12,917 (97.94 percent/-272).
    - Marine Corps Accessions: Goal 9,684; Attained 9,703 (100.20 percent/+19).
    - Air Force Accessions: Goal 10,024; Attained 10,020 (99.96 percent/-4).
  - **Quality.** All Active Components met or exceeded the DoD quality benchmarks.
  - **Retention.** All Services exhibited strong retention in the month of January.

- **Reserve Component.**
  - **Recruiting.** The Service data below represents the Reserve Components’ cumulative monthly goals and monthly accessions/gains through the fourth month of fiscal year 2020, January 2020.
    - Army NG Gains: Goal 15,247; Attained 14,393 (94.40 percent/-854).
    - Army Reserve Gains: Goal 4,982; Attained 5,207 (104.52 percent/+225).
    - Navy Reserve Gains: Goal 1,948; Attained 2,009 (103.13 percent/+61).
    - Marine Corps Reserve Gains: Goal 2,591; Attained 3,033 (117.06 percent/+442).
    - Air NG Gains: Goal 3,351; Attained 3,021 (90.15 percent/-330).
    - Air Force Reserve Gains: Goal 2,464; Attained 2,464 (100.00 percent/+0).
  - **Quality.** All Reserve Components except Army Reserve met or exceeded the DoD quality benchmarks. Army Reserve plans to be within DoD benchmarks by the close of the fiscal year.
  - **Attrition.** The Reserve Components year-to-date attrition percentages were at or slightly above planned target levels for December fiscal year 2020. The Reserve Components project to meet annual attrition targets in fiscal year 2020 (data lags by one month).

Detailed information on specific recruiting data can be obtained by contacting the individual military recruiting commands at 502-626-0164 for Army, 210-565-4678 for Air Force, 703-784-9454 for Marine Corps, and 901-874-9048 for Navy. The Reserve Components can be reached at the following numbers: National Guard Bureau 703-607-2586, Army Reserve 910-570-8330, Air Force Reserve 703-697-1761, Navy Reserve 757-322-5652, and Marine Corps Reserve 504-678-6535.