DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ANNOUNCES RECRUITING AND RETENTION NUMBERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016 THROUGH JUNE 2016

The Department of Defense (DoD) announced today recruiting and retention statistics for the Active and Reserve Components for fiscal year (FY) 2016 through June 2016.

- **Active Component.**
  - **Recruiting.** Three of the four active Services met or exceeded its fiscal year-to-date (FYTD) 2016 accession goals through June 2016. The Army missed by 3,685.
    - Army – 39,340 accessions, with a goal of 43,025; 91.4 percent.
    - Navy – 25,472 accessions, with a goal of 25,472; 100.0 percent.
    - Marine Corps – 19,781 accessions, with a goal of 19,755; 100.1 percent.
    - Air Force – 22,475 accessions, with a goal of 22,318; 100.7 percent.
  - All four of the Active Components met or exceeded the DoD quality benchmarks.

- **Reserve Component.**
  - **Recruiting.** Five of the six Reserve Components met or exceeded its FYTD accession goals through June 2016. The Army National Guard was 4,007 short of its FYTD goals.
  - All six of the Reserve Components met or exceeded the DoD quality benchmarks.
    - Army National Guard – 31,702 accessions, with a goal of 35,709; 88.8 percent.
    - Army Reserve – 20,432 accessions, with a goal of 19,244; 106.2 percent.
    - Navy Reserve – 5,264 accessions, with a goal of 5,264; 100.0 percent.
    - Marine Corps Reserve – 5,571 accessions, with a goal of 5,500; 101.3 percent.
    - Air National Guard – 6,779 accessions, with a goal of 6,779; 100.0 percent.
    - Air Force Reserve – 5,435 accessions, with a goal of 5,305; 102.5 percent.
  - **Attrition** – All six Reserve Components met their FYTD attrition goals. Currently, DoD allows for a 2% increase from the component established ceiling to be considered acceptable. (Note: This indicator lags by 1 month due to data availability).

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.

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