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MEMORANDUM FOR UNDER SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
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DEFENSE
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SUBJECT: Redistribution of Department of Defense Military Drug Testing Workload

Currently, all the National Guard Bureau forensic drug testing is being sent to the Tripler Army Medical Center Forensic Toxicology Drug Testing Laboratory (FTDTL) in Hawaii. This workload, along with the increased Army deployment drug testing, has significantly increased the demand on the Tripler FTDTL assets.

To better utilize the Department's FTDTL capabilities, I direct the National Guard Bureau to shift the National Guard drug testing work to the U.S. Air Force FTDTL at Brooks City Base, San Antonio, Texas.

My point of contact for this action is Colonel Ronald Shippee, who may be reached by phone at (703) 681-4348, or by e-mail at Ronald.Shippee@tma.osd.mil.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Ward Casscells", is positioned above the printed name.

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