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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Flight Activity Category (FAC) 3 Aviators at Brigade Level and Lower

1. Rated crewmembers in their initial assignment will no longer be designated FAC 3 at brigade level and below. Additionally, every effort will be made to eliminate designating any rated crewmember FAC 3 at brigade level or lower regardless of experience level.

2. The elimination/minimization of FAC 3 at brigade level or lower will comply with the branch intent to improve the experience level and maturity of our aviators. This initiative will also help to ensure officer development through unit experience prior to command. This change in policy will allow officers to gain more flight and aviation experience early on, assisting them in their ability to make critical decisions and sound risk assessments throughout their careers. This is critical for all rated crewmembers regardless of duty position.

3. The change to TC 1-210, Commander's Guide to Individual and Crew Training, will be effective 1 August 2002 and should read as follows:

Ref Chapter 2, 2-3, introductory paragraph. Following "...required by the TOE or TDA position." insert the following two sentences: "Rated crewmembers in their initial aviation assignment will not be designated FAC 3 at brigade level and below. Every effort will be made to eliminate designating any rated crewmember FAC 3 at brigade level and below regardless of experience level."

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