

POLICY OR PRECEDENT

SUBJECT:

Regimental Honors, Awards, and Affiliation Program

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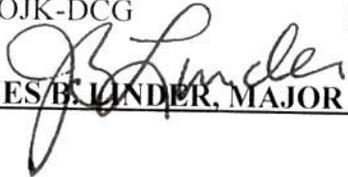
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SYNOPSIS:

1. **PURPOSE:** To establish policy and procedures regarding the implementation and management of the Special Forces (SF), Psychological Operations (PO), and Civil Affairs (CA) Regimental Honors, Awards, and Affiliation Program (RHAA).

2. **SCOPE:** This policy applies to all past and present members of the Special Forces (SF), the Civil Affairs (CA), and Psychological Operations (PO) Regiments.

3. GENERAL:

a. The Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS, as the Force Modernization proponent for SF, CA, and PO, will approve and maintain the appointments of all honorary Regimental positions and will:

(1) Implement the US Army Regimental System as developed by Headquarters, Department of the Army.

(2) Ensure that all Soldiers and eligible civilians nominated for honors are affiliated with Regiments consistent with the guidance contained herein.

(3) Plan, budget, and program necessary support for the US Army Regimental System.

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(4) Fund and maintain the SF, CA, and PO Halls of Fame.

(5) Provide funding for Honorary Colonel of the Regiment (HCOR), Honorary Warrant Officer of the Regiment (HWOOR), Honorary Sergeant Major of the Regiment (HSGMOR), Distinguished Member of the Regiment (DMOR), and Honorary Member of the Regiment (HMOR) for inductees to travel to and participate in their induction ceremony.

(6) Host the Honorary Leadership, DMOR, and HMOR boards.

(7) Ensure Regimental Honors archives are maintained for SF, CA, and PO Regiments. The Regimental Honors Program Manager at the USAJFKSWCS will maintain archives for Special Forces, Civil Affairs, and Psychological Operations Regimental Honors.

(8) The Regimental Honors Program Manager will maintain a record of the selection board proceedings and the Regiments' honorary leadership, distinguished and honorary members, as approved by the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS.

(9) Develop and implement a public affairs information website to inform Soldiers and subordinate commands about the US Army Regimental System.

4. **GENERAL:** The Regimental Honors, Awards, and Affiliation Program is intended to recognize those individuals who have significantly contributed to the welfare of the SF, CA, and PO Regiments; active or reserve component Soldiers; Department of the Army civilians; and/or civilians in a private capacity. The program serves as a link between members of the Regiments currently serving and those who have separated from active or reserve service, but continue to advance the interests of their respective Regiments. These recognized individuals serve as role models, advocates, and public examples to all members of the Regiments. Through their example, they enhance unit morale, cohesion, esprit, and promote the war fighting ethos, and unwavering sense of pride and selfless service for today's SF, CA, and PO Soldiers.

5. **PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION:** The Regimental or Corps affiliation Honors, Awards, and Affiliation Program will consist of four different and distinct sub-programs: Regimental Affiliation; Honorary Leadership Positions; Distinguished and Honorary Members of the Regiment; and Regimental Awards; as detailed in this policy. No award, honor, induction, or affiliation will bestow or automatically qualify a person for another award, honor, induction, or affiliation unless specified below.

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a. Regimental or Corps Affiliation. Regimental affiliation is a life-long relationship that a Soldier has with his or her Regiment, and is intended to enhance combat effectiveness through a framework that provides the opportunity for connection, develops loyalty and commitment, fosters an extended sense of belonging, improves unit esprit, and institutionalizes the war fighting ethos.

(1) All officers and enlisted Soldiers will be automatically affiliated with their respective Regiment upon graduation from the branch or MOS-producing school. Regimental affiliation is based on a Soldier's branch, as determined by PMOS or specialty.

(2) Officers and Soldiers not currently affiliated with their respective Regiment may submit a request through the chain of command to the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS, using a DA Form 4187.

(3) Honorary Members of the Regiment. In accordance with AR 600-82, para 4-4 (e), the Commanding General of the USAJFKSWCS may recognize select individuals from the military and civilian community at large for longstanding and/or high levels of service and support to a Regiment covered by this policy. Nominations for Honorary Members will be solicited from various sources (Regimental associations; commanders; incumbent HCOR, HWOOR, and HSGMOR; Distinguished Members of the Regiment; and others). Honorary Members of the Regiment should be recognized with an appropriate certificate at a suitable ceremony which may include an award ceremony, farewell ceremony, graduation, or other appropriate event. Notwithstanding the guidance provided in Annex A of this policy, Honorary Members of the Regiment are eligible for another appropriate award as the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS may direct. Nominations for such awards will be solicited in the same manner as nominations for honorary membership.

b. Honorary Leadership Positions. The Honorary Colonel (HCOR), the Honorary Warrant Officer (HWOOR), and the Honorary Sergeant Major (HSGMOR) of the Regiment provide a living link to the Regiment's historical and operational significance for today's Soldiers. The primary mission of these special appointees is to perpetuate the prestige, heraldry, history and traditions of the Regiment, thereby enhancing unit morale and esprit. Each HCOR, HWOOR, and HSGMOR honorary leadership appointment will be for two years, extendable for up to three years by the USAJFKSWCS Commanding General. Each tour may be terminated earlier by either the appointing authority or incumbent following 30 days advance notice. The criteria for selection for an honorary position are:

(1) Must be a member of the respective Regiment.

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(2) Must have retired with the requisite rank for the honorary position, as detailed below:

(a) The HCOR is a distinguished retired colonel or above with former service in a unit of the Regiment. The HCOR oversees other honorary positions. The HCOR may also act as a liaison between his or her Regiment and a Regimental association (private organization) if one exists.

(b) The HWOOR is a distinguished retired chief warrant officer with prior service in a unit of the Regiment. The HWOOR may also act as a liaison between his or her Regiment and a Regimental association (private organization), if one exists.

(c) The HSGMOR is a distinguished retired NCO in the rank of sergeant first class or above, with prior service in a unit of the Regiment. The HSGMOR may also act as a liaison between his or her Regiment and a Regimental association (private organization) if one exists.

(d) Each Regiment will have an HCOR, HWOOR (if applicable), and HSGMOR, but only one of each will serve in their Regiment's honorary leadership position at any given time. Additionally, no one can serve as an HCOR, HWOOR, or HSGMOR for more than one Regiment simultaneously.

(e) The duties of an HCOR, HWOOR, and HSGMOR are ceremonial and do not conflict with the chain of command. Attendance at Regimental functions is by invitation, and participation is encouraged. Examples of activities for which their presence would be desirable include change of command ceremonies, award ceremonies, speaking engagements at unit functions, formal events, and assisting in historical professional development programs for officers and NCOs.

(3) Honorary Leadership Selection Process.

(a) Nominations will be solicited from various sources (Regimental associations, commanders, incumbent HCOR, HWOOR and HSGMOR; Distinguished Members of the Regiment (DMOR); Regimental publications; and others). Continued advocacy of and service to the Regiment after separation from the military are particularly important to the program, and can be done through formal or informal activities.

(b) The nomination packet for an honorary leadership position (Appendix A) will be sent to the Commanding General, U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, (AOJK-SF or PO or CA), 3004 Ardennes Street, Stop A, Fort Bragg, NC 28310-9610. The nomination packet will include a letter of nomination with contact information for the nominator and the nominee, and a written biography encompassing military career highlights, awards and

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decorations, and contributions the nominee has made to the Regiment and the local community upon separation or retirement from the Army. A photo can be included in the packet, although it is not mandatory. Nominees should demonstrate the desire to further their service to the Regiment in a leadership role.

(c) Nominations for honorary leadership positions will be boarded. The decision for selection and appointment of an individual to serve as an HCOR, HWOOR, or HSGMOR rests with the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS, as the proponent for the SF, CA, and PO Regiments. Selection and appointment will occur every year or upon vacancy of the respective position.

(d) Upon selection and approval, the USAJFKSWCS Regimental Honors, Awards and Affiliation program manager, USAJFKSWCS, will notify the nominee and prepare the appropriate Certificate of Appointment and a Charge of Orders, for presentation to the HCOR, HWOOR, or HSGMOR.

(e) A suitable ceremony for the inauguration of the incoming honorary members and recognition of the former HCOR, HWOOR, or HSGMOR will be the responsibility of the Commandant of the Special Forces Regiment; the Commandant of the Civil Affairs Regiment; and the Commandant of the Psychological Operations Regiment. For the purpose of this policy, a DMOR induction ceremony is considered suitable for this recognition, as approved by the CG, USAJFKSWCS.

(f) The selection board for Honorary Regimental Leadership will consist of the senior leadership of each Regiment. The board's authority is derived from the Proponent (Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS). The President of the Board will be the Deputy Commander, USAJFKSWCS. The selection board members for HCOR, HWOOR, and HSGMOR consist of:

Special Forces Regiment

Deputy Commander, USAJFKSWCS
Command Sergeant Major, USAJFKSWCS
Command Chief Warrant Officer, USAJFKSWCS
Special Forces Regimental Commandant
Special Forces Regimental Sergeant Major
Commanding General, 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne) (Provisional)
Command Sergeant Major, 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne) (Provisional)
Command Chief Warrant Officer, 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne) (Provisional)
One E-5 thru E-7 and one CPT/MAJ from USAJFKSWCS or 1st Special Forces Command (A) (P)

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Special Forces Association President
Honorary Colonel of the Special Forces Regiment
Honorary Sergeant Major of the Special Forces Regiment
Honorary Warrant Officer of the Regiment
Historian, (Non Voting - Advisory)
Mr. Clark (Non Voting – Advisory)
Recorder, Regimental Honors Program Manager

Civil Affairs Regiment

Deputy Commander, USAJFKSWCS
Command Sergeant Major, USAJFKSWCS
Command Chief Warrant Officer, USAJFKSWCS
Civil Affairs Regimental Commandant
Civil Affairs Regimental Sergeant Major
Commanding General, USACAPOC (A)
Command Sergeant Major, USACAPOC (A)
One E-5 thru E-7 and one CPT/MAJ from USACAPOC (A) or 95th CA Bde or 85th CA Bde
Honorary Colonel of the Civil Affairs Regiment
Honorary SGM of the Civil Affairs Regiment
Civil Affairs Association President, COL
Historian, (Non Voting - Advisory)
Recorder, Regimental Honors Program Manager

Psychological Operations Regiment

Deputy Commander, USAJFKSWCS
Command Sergeant Major, USAJFKSWCS
Command Chief Warrant Officer, USAJFKSWCS
Psychological Operations Regimental Commandant
Psychological Operations Regimental Sergeant Major
Commanding General, USACAPOC (A)
Command Sergeant Major, USACAPOC (A)
One E-5 thru E-7 and one CPT / MAJ from USACAPOC (A), 4th or 8th MISO Groups
Psychological Operations Association President
Honorary Colonel of the Psychological Operations Regiment
Honorary Sergeant Major of the Psychological Operations Regiment
Historian, (Non Voting - Advisory)
Recorder, Regimental Honors Program Manager

c. Distinguished Members of the Regiment (DMOR).

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(1) DMORs are individuals of the same distinguished stature as the HCOR, HWOOR, or HSGMOR.

(a) DMOR Criteria. A DMOR must be a member of the Regiment; may be any Active Army, Army Reserve, or National Guard retired officer, warrant officer, or enlisted member who has graduated the SF, CA, or PO, qualification course and/or awarded the SF Tab, and served in their respective Regiment.

(b) DMOR tenure is indefinite. Recognition may only be revoked by the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS. There is no limit on the number of nominations or the number of times someone can be nominated for DMOR, but a nominee can only be selected once as a DMOR to his or her Regiment. Posthumous awards for the DMOR are permissible. In the event of posthumous recognition, surviving next of kin will be invited to participate in an induction ceremony. The DMOR induction ceremonies will be held in an appropriate venue. Medal of Honor recipients are automatically recognized and inducted as DMORs. Their induction will occur during an appropriate ceremony.

(2) DMOR Selection, Board Process, and Records.

(a) Any member, affiliate or legacy organizations of the Regiment may nominate an individual for appointment as a DMOR.

(b) The nomination packet (Appendix B) will be sent to the Commanding General, U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School (AOJK-SF or CA or PO), 3004 Ardennes Street, Stop A, Fort Bragg NC 28310-9610. The nomination letter will highlight the service of the nominee while in the Regiment and will provide contact information of the nominator and the nominee in order to relay results of the board. A written biography encompassing military career highlights, and decorations will accompany the letter of nomination. While a photo may be included, it is not mandatory. To be considered, nominees must have made significant contributions to the Regimental success on the battlefield, or to the training and qualification of new members of the Regiment.

(c) The nomination for retirees will further highlight contributions the nominee has made to the Regiment and the local community upon separation or retirement from the Army. Continued service to the Regiment after separation from the military is particularly important to the honors program and can be done through both formal and informal activities, i.e., as a Government Service

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employee, through Regimental associations, or through routinely visiting/supporting wounded Soldiers of the Regiment and their Families.

(d) Upon selection by the DMOR Board and approval by the USAJFKSWCS Commanding General, the USAJFKSWCS Regimental Honors, Awards and Affiliation Program Manager, will notify the nominee and arrange a date for the induction ceremony and an invitational travel order.

(e) With the endorsement of the Regimental Commandant, the decision for selection and responsibility for appointment of an individual to be inducted as a DMOR rests with the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS. A DMOR Selection Board will be held twice a year on dates approved by the President of the Board. The DMOR Selection Board will consist of:

Special Forces Regiment

Deputy Commander, USAJFKSWCS
Command Sergeant Major, USAJFKSWCS
Command Chief Warrant Officer, USAJFKSWCS
Special Forces Regimental Commandant
Special Forces Regimental Sergeant Major
Commanding General, 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne) (Provisional)
Command Sergeant Major, 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne) (Provisional)
Command Chief Warrant Officer, 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne) (Provisional)
One E-5 thru E-7 and one CPT / MAJ from USAJFKSWCS or 1st Special Forces Command (A) (P)
Special Forces Association President
Honorary Colonel of the Special Forces Regiment
Honorary Sergeant Major of the Special Forces Regiment
Honorary Warrant Officer of the Regiment
Historian, (Non Voting - Advisory)
Mr Clark (Non Voting – Advisory)
Recorder, Regimental Honors Program Manager

Civil Affairs Regiment

Deputy Commander, USAJFKSWCS
Command Sergeant Major, USAJFKSWCS
Command Chief Warrant Officer, USAJFKSWCS
Civil Affairs Regimental Commandant
Civil Affairs Regimental Sergeant Major
Commanding General, USACAPOC (A)
Command Sergeant Major, USACAPOC (A)
One E-5 thru E-7 and one CPT/MAJ from USACAPOC (A) or 95th CA Bde or 85th CA Bde

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Honorary Colonel of the Civil Affairs Regiment
Honorary SGM of the Civil Affairs Regiment
Civil Affairs Association President, COL
Historian, (Non Voting - Advisory)
Recorder, Regimental Honors Program Manager

Psychological Operations Regiment

Deputy Commander, USAJFKSWCS
Command Sergeant Major, USAJFKSWCS
Command Chief Warrant Officer, USAJFKSWCS
Psychological Operations Regimental Commandant
Psychological Operations Regimental Sergeant Major
Commanding General, USACAPOC (A)
Command Sergeant Major, USACAPOC (A)
One E-5 thru E-7 and one CPT / MAJ from USACAPOC (A), 4th or 8th MISO Groups
Psychological Operations Association President
Honorary Colonel of the Psychological Operations Regiment
Honorary Sergeant Major of the Psychological Operations Regiment
Historian, (Non Voting - Advisory)
Recorder, Regimental Honors Program Manager

(f) The Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS, will review the nominations recommended/not recommended by the DMOR Selection Board and approve, as appropriate. Individuals inducted as DMORs will receive a framed certificate and the Gold Medallion from their respective Regiment (SF – Colonel Aaron Bank Medallion (not the Saint Philip Neri), CA – General Winfield Scott Gold Medallion, or PO – Major General Robert A McClure Gold Medallion). These Gold Medallions are in addition to the permitted allowances designated by each of the Regiments at Appendix A.

(g) The Regimental Honors Program Manager will maintain a record of the selection board proceedings and the Regiments' distinguished members, as approved by the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS.

(h) The SGS, USAJFKSWCS, in conjunction with the USAJFKSWCS Resource Management Office, will issue invitational travel orders to the selected DMOR, or their next of kin, for attendance at a formal induction ceremony.

(i) The SGS, USAJFKSWCS, will produce framed certificates signed by the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS, for new inductees upon approval.

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(j) The USAJFKSWCS John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Museum will plan for, purchase framed plaques, and maintain the placement of DMOR plaques and photographs in the respective Regimental Halls of Fame.

(k) The USAJFKSWCS Regimental Honors Program Manager will maintain archives for the Special Forces, Civil Affairs, and Psychological Operations Regimental honors.

(l) The USAJFKSWCS Office of Strategic Communication (OSC) is responsible for creating and keeping two Center and School websites for Regimental Honors and Awards posted for view; one internal to the Center and School, and one public.

d. Honorary Members of the Regiment (HMOR) are Soldiers, civilians, their spouses, or individuals who have made a contribution or provided an enduring service to a Regiment, but are not necessarily members of the Regiment. Recognition of Active Army, USAR, National Guard, retired Soldiers, and civilians is appropriate.

(1) An HMOR is appointed for an indefinite period of time in recognition of their contributions and service to the Regiment. There are no limitations on the number of personnel who may be nominated for appointment as an HMOR.

(2) There are no duties associated with the HMOR appointment. Their attendance and participation at Regimental functions is encouraged.

(3) Nominations for HMOR (Appendix B) will be in letter format with contact information of the nominator and nominee, will briefly describe the nominee's contribution and service rendered to the Regiment, and will be addressed to the Commanding General, U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, (AOJK-CA or PO or SF), 3004 Ardennes Street, Stop A, Fort Bragg, North Carolina 28310-9610. All HMOR nominations will be boarded.

(4) Upon selection by the board and approval by the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS, the Regimental Honors, Awards and Affiliation Program Manager, USAJFKSWCS, will notify the nominee and arrange for a date for the induction ceremony and an invitational travel order.

(5) The SGS, USAJFKSWCS, will produce framed certificates for new HMOR inductees upon approval and signature of the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS. Honorary Members of the Regiment will be scheduled for recognition at a DMOR/HMOR Induction Ceremony.

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e. Notification and Induction Process. The Notification and Induction Process at Appendix D will be followed after all Board Proceedings.

ANNEX A – Regimental Awards

1. Regimental Awards. The Regimental Awards program is designed to honor past and present SF, CA, and PO Soldiers who have demonstrated the highest standards of integrity, moral character, an outstanding degree of professional competence, and have contributed to the promotion and advancement of their respective Regiment. Given on behalf of the Regiment by a respective unit commander and in cooperation and coordination with the respective Regimental association, each Regiment has a distinct award and award criteria as outlined below. The Regimental Commandants at USAJFKSWCS will receive and consider all award nominations (Appendix C) for members of a Regiment not assigned to a Regimental chain of command for signature by the SF, CA, or PO Commandants for Bronze and Silver medals and the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS for the Gold medals. Special Forces nominations for the Bronze, Silver, and Gold Saint Philip Neri awards will be sent to the President, Special Forces Association, Post Office Box 41436, Fayetteville, NC 28309-1436.

a. Civil Affairs Regiment Award – The General Winfield Scott Medallion. This medallion has three tiers (Bronze, Silver, and Gold) and criteria associated with each. Any current or past member of the Civil Affairs Regiment may nominate a veteran of the Civil Affairs Regiment for the Silver or Gold Medallion. The Bronze Medallion is reserved for currently serving Active Army and Army Reserve CA-qualified Soldiers who have contributed in a significant way to the improvement of the U.S. Army Civil Affairs Regiment.

(1) BRONZE. Nomination authority for the Bronze Medallion is delegated to the active and reserve CA Brigade commanders. Each brigade may submit nominations for three Bronze Medallions per year. The U.S. Army 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne), U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, and U.S. Army Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations Command (Airborne) may submit two nominations for Bronze Medallions per year for consideration of approval to the CA Commandant. Any 38-series Soldier serving in a 38-series duty position outside the Regiment may be nominated by the first O6 or higher in their chain of command to the CA Commandant, for an annual total of two nominations. All nomination packets must be submitted to the CA Commandant's office for historical tracking and archive. The CA Commandant is the approval authority for the Bronze Winfield Scott Medallion and will process for preparation, signature, and issuance of the certificate and the medallion.

No more than one Bronze Medallion may be awarded to an individual. The presentation of the Bronze Medallion to the recipient should be scheduled during a very special event such as a formal dinner, retirement, and similar affairs.

(2) SILVER. This Medal recognizes those veterans of the Regiment who have demonstrated the highest standards of integrity and moral character; displayed an outstanding degree of professional competence; served in the U.S. Army Civil Affairs Regiment or in activities or

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organizations that directly support the Regiment for a period of twenty years or more with selflessness; and contributed to the promotion of Civil Affairs or the Association in ways that stand out in the eyes of the recipient's seniors, subordinates and peers alike.

Only thirteen nominees will be awarded the Winfield Scott Silver Medallion per calendar year. Nominations must be endorsed by the U.S. Army 1st Special Forces Command (A) or U.S. Army Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations Command (A) if the nominee is assigned to a CA unit or through the first 06 in the nominee's chain of command if assigned outside of a CA unit. USAJFKSWCS and 1st SF Command are allocated two each, and USACAPOC, Civil Affairs Association, and CA Commandant are allocated three each. Nominations will be routed to the Civil Affairs Commandant for approval/consideration, and they then prepare, sign, and issue the certificate and the medallion, if approved. This award may only be presented to veterans of Civil Affairs that have been awarded the MOS. The Winfield Scott Silver Medallion will be presented during very special ceremonies or formal social events.

(3) GOLD. The General Winfield Scott Gold Medallion is the most prestigious and of the highest order of the three awards. It is awarded to the most distinguished member(s) of the Regiment who have contributed to the career field and function of Civil Affairs in support of national defense, and should be recognized as a lifetime achievement award. The specific criterion for the Gold Winfield Scott Medallion is to have performed conspicuously, thirty years or more long-term service for or on behalf of the U.S. Army Civil Affairs Regiment or the Association.

Only five nominees will be awarded the Winfield Scott Gold Medallion per calendar year. The Civil Affairs Association will be allocated two of these. Additionally, one Gold Medallion may be presented posthumously. Not later than 30 March, nominations for the Winfield Scott Gold Medallion will be routed through the CA Commandant to the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS for approval/consideration. The CG's office will prepare and sign the certificate, if approved; the CA Commandant will issue the certificate and the medallion. This award may only be presented to veterans of Civil Affairs that have been awarded the MOS. The Winfield Scott Gold Medallion will be announced on the Regimental Anniversary in August of each year, and be presented during very special ceremonies or formal social events.

b. Psychological Operations Regiment Award – The Major General Robert A. McClure Medallion. This medallion has three tiers (Bronze, Silver, and Gold) and criteria associated with each tier. Any current or past member of the Psychological Operations Regiment may nominate a veteran of the Psychological Operations Regiment for the Silver or Gold Medallion. The Bronze

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Medallion is reserved for currently serving Active Army and Army Reserve PO-qualified Soldiers who have contributed in a significant way to the improvement of the U.S. Army Psychological Operations (see PO Commandant Policy Letter # 1-15 for nomination criteria for all award tiers).

(1) BRONZE. The Major General Robert A. McClure Bronze Medallion is designed to be awarded to those persons who have demonstrated a high degree of professional competence, standards of integrity and moral character, and a strong devotion to duty and country. The individuals nominated must clearly stand out in the eyes of their seniors, subordinates and peers alike. It is the responsibility of the approving authority to maintain consistent and exceptionally high standards during the selection and approval process.

Nomination authority for the Bronze Medallion is delegated to the active and reserve PO Group commanders. Each group may submit nominations for three Bronze Medallions per year. The U.S. Army 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne), U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, and U.S. Army Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations Command (Airborne) may submit two nominations for Bronze Medallions per year for consideration of approval to the PO Commandant. Any 37-series Soldier serving in a 37-series duty position outside the Regiment may be nominated by the first O6 or higher in their chain of command to the PO Commandant, for an annual total of two nominations. All nomination packets must be submitted to the PO Commandant's office for historical tracking and archive. The PO Commandant is the approval authority for the Bronze McClure Medallion and will process for preparation, signature, and issuance of the certificate and the medallion.

No more than one Bronze Medallion may be awarded to an individual. The presentation of the Bronze Medallion to the recipient should be scheduled during a very special event such as formal dinners, retirements, and similar affairs.

(2) SILVER. This Medal recognizes those veterans of the Regiment who have demonstrated the highest standards of integrity and moral character; displayed an outstanding degree of professional competence; served in the U.S. Army Psychological Operations Regiment or in activities or organizations that directly support the Regiment for a period of twenty years or more with selflessness; and contributed to the promotion of Psychological Operations or the Association in ways that stand out in the eyes of the recipient's seniors, subordinates and peers alike.

Only five nominees will be awarded the McClure Silver Medallion per calendar year. Nominations must be endorsed by U.S. Army 1st Special Forces Command (A) or U.S. Army Civil Affairs and

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Psychological Operations Command (A) if the nominee is assigned to a PO unit or through the first 06 in the nominee's chain of command if assigned outside of a PO unit. Nominations will be routed to the Psychological Operations Commandant for approval/consideration, who will then prepare sign, and issue the certificate and the medallion, if approved. This award may only be presented to veterans of Psychological Operations that have been awarded the MOS. The McClure Silver Medallion will be presented during very special ceremonies or formal social events.

(3) GOLD. The Major General Robert A. McClure Gold Medallion is the most prestigious and of the highest order of the three awards. It is awarded to the most distinguished member(s) of the Regiment who have contributed to the career field and function of PO in support of national defense, and should be recognized as a lifetime achievement award. The specific criterion for the Gold McClure Medallion is to have performed conspicuously, thirty years or more long-term service for or on behalf of the U.S. Army Psychological Operations or the Association.

Only two nominees will be awarded the McClure Gold Medallion per calendar year. Additionally, one Gold Medallion may be presented posthumously. Not later than 30 June, nominations for the McClure Gold Medallion will be routed through the PO Commandant to the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS for approval/consideration. The Commanding General's office will prepare and sign the certificate, if approved; the PO Commandant will issue the certificate and the medallion. This award may only be presented to veterans of Psychological Operations that have been awarded the MOS. The McClure Gold Medallion will be announced on the Regimental Anniversary in November of each year, and be presented during very special ceremonies or formal social events.

c. Special Forces Regiment Award – Saint Philip Neri Medallion. This medallion has three tiers (Bronze, Silver, and Gold) and each has its own criteria. Any current or past member of the Special Forces Regiment may nominate a veteran of the Special Forces Regiment for the Silver or Gold Medallion. The Bronze Medallion is reserved for currently serving Active Duty and National Guard Special Forces-qualified Soldiers who have contributed in a significant way to the improvement of the U.S. Army Special Forces. All nominations for Bronze, Silver, or Gold must be in written letter form, and must include an 8 X 10" photo and biographical history (Appendix C). Nominations may be submitted from 1 November through 14 February.

(1) BRONZE. The Saint Philip Neri Bronze Medallion is the highest award for currently serving members of the Regiment. The Bronze Medallion is reserved for Special Forces-qualified Soldiers who have contributed in a significant way to the improvement of the U.S. Army Special Forces and have demonstrated a high degree of professional competence, standards of integrity and moral character, and a strong devotion to duty and country. The individuals nominated must clearly stand out in the eyes of their seniors, subordinates and peers alike. It is the

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responsibility of the approving authority to maintain consistent and exceptionally high standards during the selection and approval process.

Approval authority for the Bronze Medallion is delegated to the Commanders of the 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 10th, 19th, and 20th Special Forces Groups (Airborne) and the 1st Special Warfare Training Group (Airborne). Each Special Forces Group may submit nominations for three Bronze Medallions per year. The U.S. Army Special Forces Command (Airborne) and U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School may submit two nominations for Bronze Medallions per year. Any 18-series Soldier serving in an 18-series duty position outside the Regiment may be nominated by the first O6 or higher in their chain of command.

- Approved Saint Philip Neri Bronze Medallion Awards will be forwarded to the Regimental Association for preparation of the certificate and the medallion.
- The presentation of the Saint Philip Neri Bronze Medallion may be presented to the recipient at their unit location. It should be scheduled during a very special event.
- No more than one Bronze Medallion may be awarded to a single individual.

(2) SILVER. This Medal recognizes those veterans of the Regiment who have demonstrated the highest standards of integrity and moral character; displayed an outstanding degree of professional competence; served in the U.S. Army Special Forces or the Special Forces Association for a period of twenty years or more with selflessness; and contributed to the promotion of Special Forces or the Association in ways that stand out in the eyes of the recipient's seniors, subordinates and peers alike.

- Only two nominees will be awarded the Saint Philip Neri Silver Medallion per calendar year.
- Nominations for the Saint Philip Neri Silver Medallion will be routed thru the Commanding General, 1st Special Forces Command (A) for approval of consideration, and after this approval, forwarded to the Regimental Association's Saint Philip Neri Committee for final determination of this award. Following committee approval, the Association will provide a framed certificate and medallion.
- This award may only be presented to veterans of Special Forces who have been awarded the Green Beret and Special Forces Skill Identifier or Special Forces Tab.
- The Saint Philip Neri Silver Medallion will be presented during very special ceremonies or formal social events.

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(3) GOLD. This medal is the most distinguished of the three levels of the Military Society of Saint Neri. It is a life time achievement award and recognizes the select few who stand above their brethren worthy of the Silver or Bronze Medallion. The Gold Medallion is reserved for an elite few whose careers have embodied the spirit, dignity and sense of sacrifice and commitment epitomized by Saint Philip Neri. The specific criterion for accession into the Gold Order is to have performed conspicuously, thirty years or more long—term service for or on behalf of the U.S. Army Special Forces (Airborne) or the Special Forces Association.

- Only one nominee will be awarded the Saint Philip Neri Gold Medallion per calendar year. Additionally, one Gold Medallion may be presented posthumously following the same criteria.

- Nominations for the Saint Philip Neri Gold Medallion will be routed thru the Commanding General, 1st Special Forces Command (A)(P) for approval consideration, and after this approval, forwarded to the Regimental Association's Saint Philip Neri Committee for final determination of the award. Following committee approval the Association will provide a framed certificate and medallion.

- This award may only be presented to veterans of Special Forces who have been awarded the Green Beret and Special Forces Skill Identifier or Special Forces Tab.

- This medallion is presented at the Annual Special Forces Symposium or at a time and place to be determined by the Regimental Association.

d. The Colonel Aaron Bank Medallion is presented to those who have made significant, enduring contributions to the Special Forces Regiment and are selected as Distinguished Members of the Regiment; the Medallion is presented as part of their induction. Colonel Aaron Bank served with the Office of Strategic Services (OSS) during World War II where he successfully commanded units in both Europe and Asia. After the war COL Bank, working with Major General Robert McClure and Colonel Russell Volckmann, successfully convinced the Army hierarchy to include Special Warfare in the Army's repertoire. In 1952, the 10th Special Forces Group (Airborne) stood up under COL Bank's command, making him the first commander of a Special Forces unit. Members of the Regiment often refer to COL Bank as "The Father of Special Forces." In recognition of his place of high honor in the Regiment, the Colonel Aaron Bank Medallion was established in 2014.

e. Wear of Regimental Awards. IAW para 22-12d, AR 670-1, Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia, 15 September 2014, while in uniform, Regimental Medallions are worn only

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while the wearer is actually attending meetings or functions of such organizations, or on occasions of ceremony (as authorized by the commander). These badges will not be worn to and from such meetings or events. It is recommended that civilians, though not in uniform or governed by Army regulation, use the same guidelines for wear in civilian clothing.

Appendix A – Nomination Letter (example for Honorary Leadership Positions)

Month, DD, Year

Commanding General
U.S. Army John F. Kennedy
Special Warfare Center and School
Attn: Special Forces, Psychological Operations, or Civil Affairs Commandant
3004 Ardennes Street, Stop A
Fort Bragg, NC 28310-9610

Dear Mr. President:

I would like to nominate (Rank) Sam F. Soldier for selection as the (HCOR, HWOOR, or HSGMOR) in the Civil Affairs/Psychological Operations/Special Forces Regiment. COL/CW5/SGM Soldier has served in the Army from ____ to ____ and in the Regiment from ____ to _____. Not only has he served in a wide variety of positions that have contributed immensely to the Regiment's long outstanding history, but has continued to serve with distinction in retirement/after separation.

COL/CW5/SGM Soldier's significant contributions while assigned to the Regiment include (examples only):

- *The single subject matter expert and project officer for the design, development and implementation of FM 3-05.230 (Special Forces Base Camp Operations Doctrine).
- *The first SF Soldier to conduct a HALO jump in combat.
- *A member of the first ARSOF NCO recruiting team.
- *The President of the local chapter of his SF Association.
- *The SWCS Civilian Instructor of the year for 2007.

COL/CW5/SGM Soldier's significant contributions upon retirement/separation include (examples only):

- *Chapter President of the XX Chapter of the SF Association
- *Board member, financial board for SOF Warrior Foundation
- *Regular volunteer Fisher House, Fort Bragg, NC

COL/CW5/SGM Soldier's accomplishments and contributions to the Regiment rank him well above his peers and constituents. His selection into an honorary leadership position of the Regiment is a fitting honor for this Warrior. I can be reached at (phone number and email address)

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for further details regarding this exemplary member of the Regiment. The nominee's phone

number, address, and email address are_____.

Sincerely,

Name of Nominator
Rank, USA
Title of Nominator
Address/Email/Phone Number
of Nominator

Enclosed
Narrative of Nominee's Military History
and Awards

Appendix B – Nomination Letter for Distinguished Member of the Regiment and Honorary Member of the Regiment (example)

Month, DD, Year

Commanding General
U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special
Warfare Center and School
Attention: Special Forces, Psychological Operations, or Civil Affairs Commandant
3004 Ardennes Street, Stop A
Fort Bragg NC 28310-9610

Dear Mr. President:

I would like to nominate (rank) Sam F. Soldier for selection as a Distinguished Member (or as an Honorary Member of the Regiment) of the Civil Affairs/Psychological Operations/Special Forces Regiment. (Rank) Soldier has served in the Army from ____ to ____ and in the Regiment from ____ to _____. Not only has he served in a wide variety of positions that have contributed immensely to the Regiment's long outstanding history, but has continued to serve with distinction in retirement/after separation.

(Rank) Soldier's significant contributions while assigned to the Regiment include (examples only):

- *The single subject matter expert and project officer for the design, development and implementation of FM 3-05.230 (Special Forces Base Camp Operations Doctrine).

- *The first SF Soldier to conduct a HALO jump in combat.

- *A member of the first ARSOF NCO recruiting team.

- *The President of the local chapter of his SF Association.

- *The SWCS Civilian Instructor of the year for 2007.

(Rank) Soldier's significant contributions upon retirement/separation include (examples only):

- *Chapter President of the XX Chapter of the SF Association

- *Board member financial board for SOF Warrior Foundation

- *Regular volunteer Fisher House, Fort Bragg, NC

(Rank) Soldier's/nominee's accomplishments and contributions to the Regiment rank him well above his peers and constituents. His selection as a DMOR/Honorary Member of the Regiment

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is a fitting honor for this Warrior. I can be reached at (phone number and email address) for further details regarding this exemplary member of the Regiment. The nominee can be reached at (phone number, address, and email address).

Sincerely,

Name of Nominator
Rank, U.S. Army
Title of Nominator
Address of Nominator

Encl
Narrative of HMOR Nominee's Military/
Civilian History, Awards and Contributions
to the Regiment

Appendix C – Nomination for Regimental Awards: SF, CA, or PO for the Bronze, Silver, and Gold Medallions

Month, DD, Year

Commander, _____

(Name and address of Regimental unit commander for CA or PO, and to the SFA President for SF nominations)

Dear _____:

I would like to nominate (Rank) Samuel F. Soldier (Mr./Ms. Civilian for the Bronze from CA or PO) for the General Winfield Scott Medallion (Bronze, Silver, Gold)/the Major General Robert A. McClure Medallion – (Bronze, Silver, Gold)/or the Saint Philip Neri (Silver/Gold). (SF Association accepts nominations for the Bronze for currently serving members of the Regiment).

(Rank) Soldier has served in the Army from ____ to ____ and in the Regiment from ____ to ____ He/She served in positions that have contributed immensely to the Regiment's long outstanding history.

Below are (Rank) Soldier's/Civilian's (for the Bronze from CA or PO) significant contributions while assigned to/or support to the Regiment (examples only):

- *Awarded the Bronze Star with Valor for actions in Operation Iraqi Freedom V.
- *Selected as USASFC NCO of the Year.
- *Won best Ranger competition.
- *Served as Battalion Commander/Battalion CSM with great distinction.
- *Supported, volunteered, fundraiser for Regimental programs (for civilian nominees for the Bronze from CA or MISO)

(Rank) Soldier's accomplishments and contributions to the Civil Affairs, Psychological Operations, Special Forces Regiment rank him well above his peers and constituents. His/her selection is a fitting honor for this Warrior.

I can be reached at (phone number and email address) for further details regarding this exemplary member of the Regiment.

Sincerely,

Name of Nominator
Rank, U.S. Army
Title of Nominator
Address/Email/Telephone Number
of Nominator

Encl
Narrative of Nominee's Military/
Civilian Accomplishments/
Contributions/Awards

Appendix D: Notification and Induction Process

**Distinguished Member of the Regiment/Honorary Member of the Regiment –
Notification and Induction Process**

1. USAJFKSWCS G3 seeks approval from the Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS on the next DMOR/HMOR induction ceremony.
2. DMOR/HMOR pre-board is held by the Respective Regimental Commandants.
3. The USAJFKSWCS Boards convene and make recommendations to the Commanding General.
 - a. Packet is prepared and sent to the USAJFKSWCS XO.
 - b. *Results of the board are kept close hold until the Commanding General makes his final decision.
4. The Commanding General approves/disapproves board results memo.
 - a. The CG's EA notifies nominators of approved honorees letting them know they'll be inducted in an upcoming ceremony (not necessarily the next one).
 - b. The Regimental Commandant's office will notify the nominators of non-selects, in writing, of their non-selection.
5. The USAJFKSWCS Commanding General's Executive Assistant (EA) prepares letters of notification to DMOR/HMOR recipients for the Commanding General's signature, for the honorees to be inducted at the next ceremony.
6. Notification/correspondence from EA to DMOR/HMOR recipients initiated:
 - a. EA coordinates to see if the recipient can attend the next ceremony scheduled to be held in JFK Auditorium.
 - b. If honoree is unable to attend the ceremony (health, etc.), the Board President will be notified.
 - c. The Board President and the Commanding General will determine if we will pursue an alternate ceremony or presentation date for the DMOR who cannot come to the ceremony at JFK Auditorium.
 - d. If approved by the Commanding General, the EA begins to coordinate an alternate ceremony time and location with the respective Commandant and keeps the Commanding General informed along the way
 - e. If it is determined we will not have alternate ceremony, the DMOR recipient will be recognized in "absentia" at the regularly scheduled DMOR ceremony in JFK Auditorium .

7. The Regimental Honors Program Manager maintains contact with honorees to coordinate ceremonial details with SGS, Protocol, Office of Strategic Communication (OSC), Museum, and Respective Commandants. EA keeps the Commanding General updated and informed as this process continues
8. USAJFKSWCS G3 tasks out for support (escorts, transportation, ushers, etc.)
9. Ceremony conducted and honorees are inducted.

Appendix E – Glossary of Acronyms

GLOSSARY OF ACRONYMS

AOJK-SGS	Office symbol for the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Secretary General Staff
ARSOF	Army Special Operations Forces
CA	Civil Affairs
CA BDE	Civil Affairs Brigade
CAQC	Civil Affairs Qualification Course
COL	Colonel
CSM	Command Sergeant Major
CW5	Chief Warrant Officer 5
DMOR	Distinguished Member of the Regiment
HALO	High Altitude Low Opening
HCOR	Honorary Colonel of the Regiment
HMOR	Honorary Member of the Regiment
HSGMOR	Honorary Sergeant Major of the Regiment
HWOOR	Honorary Warrant Officer of the Regiment
MISO	Military Information Support Operations
NCO	Noncommissioned Officer
PMOS	Primary Military Occupational Specialty
PO	Psychological Operations
POQC	Psychological Operations Qualification Course
RHAA	Regimental Honors, Awards and Affiliation Program
SF	Special Forces
SFQC	Special Forces Qualification Course
SGM	Sergeant Major
USACAPOC(A)	U.S. Army Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations Command (Airborne)
USAJFKSWCS	U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School
1st SFC (A)	Special Forces Command