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MEMORANDUM FOR: MILITARY ADVISORY PANEL CIVILIAN ADVISORY PANEL

SUBJECT: UTD/CTD for MAP/CAP 87-23(I), "Evacuation Authority derived from Department of State (DoS) cable"

- 1. Purpose: This item clarifies that a Department of State (DoS) cable authorizing or ordering departure of eligible family members under chief of mission from an embassy does authorize the Secretary of Defense to do the same without further consultations.
- 2. This revision is forwarded for information purposes. No coordination is required.
- 3. Staff initiated this revision.
- 4. This revision is effective when published in the JTR.
- 5. Action Officer: Dwayne Norman II (Dwayne.a.norman2.civ@mail.mil).

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Attachment: Joint Travel Regulations Revisions

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Civilian Board of Contract Appeals
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General Services Administration
U.S. Coast Guard Pay and Personnel Center

Joint Travel Regulations Revisions

0601 EVACUATION AUTHORITY

060101. Authority to Order an Evacuation

A. Eligibility. *******

C. <u>Foreign Locations</u>. The DoS decides when the United States evacuates personnel from a foreign location. The DoD and DoS agree to share the responsibility in specific situations or locations in <u>Table 6-3</u>. <u>If DoS issues a cable authorizing or ordering a departure from a country's embassy, embassy outpost, or consulate for personnel under Chief of Mission, the Secretary of Defense (or designee) may issue a similar memorandum authorizing or ordering eligible family members not under Chief of Mission to depart that country.</u> If the DoS is not present in the affected area or cannot be contacted within a timely manner, then the Combatant Commander (CCDR), the senior commander in the country concerned, or the DoD Attaché is responsible for ordering or authorizing an evacuation.

Table 6-3. Authority to Evacuate from a Foreign Location		
	Situation or Assignment	Authority
	1 President declares a national emergency	Secretary of Defense
	2 Directed reinforcement of U.S. Armed Forces in a theatre	(or his or her
	3 Accommodation of force protection and health protection	designee), after DoS
	4 Antiterrorism considerations	issues cable authorizing or ordering departure. If DoS has not issued a cable, only after consulting with the Secretary of State
	U.S. Country Team (Defense Attaché Offices, Marine Security Guard Detachments, DoD elements or personnel, and others as determined by the CCDR and Chief of Mission)	DoS
	U.S. citizens in an area where the DoS is not present and cannot be reached in a timely manner, and time and communication systems do not permit the commander to receive authorization from the Secretary of Defense or USD(P&R) without jeopardizing the evacuees 7 U.S. Naval Base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba	CCDR, the senior commander in the country concerned, or the Defense Attaché USD(P&R)