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REPLY TO
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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Operational Aeromedical Administration

1. The following guidance on operational administration of Army Aircrew is effective immediately and will remain in effect until further notice. This memorandum should be provided to all flight surgeons.
2. Flying Duty Medical Examinations (FDME) will be completed in accordance with AR 40-501 and in accordance with the recent change which requires Comprehensive FDMEs every 5 years vice every 3 years (attached). This requirement has not been suspended and will not be waived.
3. An exception to policy to AR 40-501 is granted which increases the time a Comprehensive or Interim FDME must be completed from the last day of the birth month to 120 days past the last day of the birth month. This policy applies to all FDMEs which were due from 1 January 2003 and beyond. This is a temporary measure which will remain in effect until specifically rescinded by this office.
4. This policy has been coordinated with The Surgeon General's Aeromedical Consultant and the Commander, US Army Aeromedical Center.
5. My points of contact are COL James McGhee, 334-255-7409 and Ms. Tina Wortzel, 703-681-0020.

FOR THE SURGEON GENERAL

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James K. Gilman".

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