USTRANSCOM Personal Property Advisory #19-0050A

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To: Military Service Headquarters Representatives, Worldwide Personal Property Shipping Offices (PPSOs), and Personal Property Processing Offices (PPPOs), and DoD-Approved Personal Property Transportation Service Providers (TSPs)

Subject: (Immediate Change) Marine Corps and Navy Weight Entitlements to Japan

1. Marines and Navy personnel assigned to Marine Corps with accompanied tour Permanent Change of Station (PCS) orders to Japan with an effective date of orders on or after 2 April 2019 are authorized to ship up to their Joint Travel Regulation (JTR) maximum authorized weight allowance IAW JTR, AP-AW-01 dated 1 April 2019.

2. Accompanied Marines and Navy personnel must be counseled on the new weight allowance for Japan to ensure items not needed are not shipped. Commercial storage is very limited in Japan and items not needed/excess to quarters will not be returned to CONUS for Nontemporary Storage (NTS). Personnel should be encouraged to use NTS at the origin for those items not needed in Japan. The Distribution Management Officer, Camp Butler will provide corrected PPCIG instructions within the next week to the USTRANSCOM J4-H, Pacific Office for publication.

3. Counseling offices must contact Marine and Navy members with PCS Orders to or from Japan to inform them of the new weight allowance change and make modifications to their estimated shipment weights as necessary.

4. TSP should be aware the elimination of the administrative weight allowance means shipments to/from Japan may be a greater weight than initially estimated and could affect time required to pack/pick up. Recommend TSP contact Marine and Navy personnel scheduled for pickup for Code J UB and Code 4 iHHG to ascertain shipment weight increases to ensure adequate resources are assigned to each shipment.

5. Points of contact at Marine Corps Headquarters are Mr. Fred Hyden and Mr. Brian Imler at commercial (703) 695-7765 or email usmcpersonalproperty@usmc.mil.

6. This message is approved for release by the Chief, Business Processes Branch, Defense Personal Property Program, TCJ4-HB.