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Rear Admiral T. F. Brown III Commander, Military Enlistment

Processing Command Fort Sheridan, Illinois 60037

Dear Admiral Brown:

Subject: Recruiting Management in the Military Enlistment Processing Command (FPCD-80-80)

We recently reviewed recruiting management in the Military Enlistment Processing Command (MEPCOM) at the request of the Chairman, Subcommittee on Manpower and Personnel, Senate Armed Services Committee. We also reviewed recruiting management in the four services and in the National Guard and addressed the results in separate reports to each of the service Secretaries, the Commandant of the Marine Corps, and the Chief of the National Guard Bureau.

We are also preparing two reports to the Congress addressing (1) the recruiting decisionmaking processes in the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the service headquarters (including the Air National Guard and the Army National Guard) and (2) the extent and causes of, and potential for, correcting recruiter malpractice. At the same time, we are sending a summary of our work to the Chairman, Senate Subcommittee on Manpower and Personnel.

We were pleased with the immediate response of your organization in providing detailed data concerning your command's operations. During our review of recruiting management in the services, such information was of great value in helping us understand the various organizations, procedures, and systems used to operate the recruiting programs.

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On the basis of our limited review, we did not identify any problems unique to the command that need to be specifically addressed.

We are pleased with the cooperation we received during our review from people in the various organizational levels associated with MEPCOM recruiting. We look forward to a continued cooperative working relationship in the future.

Sincerely yours,

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