



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON DC

Office of the Assistant Secretary

AUG 28 1998

AFBCMR 98-01227

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF

Under the authority of Section 1552, Title 10, United States Code and Air Force Instruction 36-2603, and having assured compliance with the provisions of the above regulation, the decision of the Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records is announced, and it is directed that:

The pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to [REDACTED], be corrected to show that on 20 November 1997, he applied for advance payments of Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA) for the period 1 December 1997 through 13 February 1998, in accordance with the Joint Federal Travel Regulations (JFTR), paragraph U9116-A, and his request was approved by competent authority.


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Air Force Board for Correction
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MEMORANDUM OF CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION BEFORE THE AFBCMR

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

Having carefully reviewed this application, we agree with the recommendation of the Air Force office of primary responsibility and adopt the rationale expressed as the basis for our decision that the applicant has been the victim of either an error or an injustice. Therefore, under the authority delegated in AFI 36-2603, the applicant's records will be corrected as set forth in the accompanying Memorandum for the Chief of Staff signed by the Executive Director of the Board or his designee.


Panel Chair

Attachment:
Ltr, HQ USAF/DPRC, dtd 27 May 98,
w/Atch



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON, DC

27 May 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR AFBCMR

FROM: HQ USAF/DPRC
1040 Air Force Pentagon
Washington DC 20330-1040

SUBJECT: Application for Correction of Military Record [REDACTED]

This responds to a request for a BCMR advisory on [REDACTED] who is requesting his records be changed to show he was due reimbursement for his overseas housing allowance (OHA) under a different, higher, OHA rate ceiling than the one he was under while assigned to Osan AB, Korea.

By way of background, [REDACTED] was assigned to Osan AB during a time when currencies in several major Asian countries experienced severe devaluation. This caused problems for many military members serving in these areas who were living on the economy and had either received OHA advances to pay their rent up front; or had leases written in U.S. Dollars instead of the local currency, in this case Korean Won. The Per Diem, Travel, and Transportation Allowances Committee (PDTATAC) was able to implement a solution to the problem for members who had received OHA advances but could not devise a similar solution for individuals like [REDACTED] who had their leases written in U.S. Dollars.

Members in this situation were given rental advances for the remainder of their leases so they could be moved under the protected OHA rate and not lose any more money. It was suggested that they attempt to recoup lost funds through the BCMR process.

Therefore, we recommend the Board grant [REDACTED] request and change his records to reflect that he received a rental advance and, as a result, was due reimbursement at the higher OHA rate. My point of contact for this advisory is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED SIGNATURE]

Chief, Legislation & Compensation Division
Directorate of Personnel Resources

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Enc. AFAS: Ad. Location [REDACTED] / [REDACTED] Dates: 1 Dec 97 - 13 Feb 98