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MEMORANDUM FOR ISC 2025 COMPETITORS

SUBJECT: Twenty-fourth Annual U.S. Army International Sniper Competition

1. GENERAL: As part of the 2025 Infantry Week, The United States Army Sniper Course (USASC) will host the 2025 U.S. Army International Sniper Competition (ISC) at Fort Moore, GA (FMGA). The event, set for 04-10 April 2025, will actively engage sniper teams from all branches of service and select international teams in several day courses of fire, challenging them physically and mentally.

2. PURPOSE: The ISC is a combat focused competition that seeks to test a sniper team's ability to communicate, make decisions under stress and fatigue, challenge comfort zones of precision marksmanship capability and training methodology, and share information and lessons learned regarding sniper operations, tactics, techniques, and equipment. Above all, the goal of this year's competition is to foster healthy competition, share knowledge, and build camaraderie within the sniper community.

3. PARTICIPATION: No Foreign Military, Joint Branch, Civilian Organization, US Army Division, or US Army standalone Brigade is authorized to have more than one team compete unless otherwise approved by the Infantry Commandant; the final team list will be selected by the Infantry Commandant. The US Army Infantry School retains the authority to determine distribution and priority of competitive team slots.

a. The following is the tentative competitive team slot allocation: TBP.

b. TEAM STRUCTURE: Teams will consist of three personnel: Shooter, Spotter and Coach.

1. All three participants are required to provide the USASC with documented proof that they have graduated from an accredited sniper training course. Examples include a Soldier Talent Profile showing an ASI B4 or a graduation certificate. The USASC has the final decision on the validity of presented documentation.
2. Civilian participation is expressly prohibited in this year's competition. Only uniformed military personnel or members of US government agencies (FBI, DHS, DEA, etc.) are authorized to compete.

c. English is designated as the official language of the competition.

1. Provision of translation services for visiting teams falls outside the responsibilities of the USASC.

4. REGISTRATION: Teams are directed to RSVP their intent to compete by 31 January 2025. The full registration packet and forms, accompanying this letter, will be distributed to interested competitors. Mandatory pre-registration for the competition is required by 1 March 2025. Team registration finalization entails check-in at USASC Headquarters, Building 4883, 10440 Backstrom Road, Fort Moore, GA 31905. Check-in operations commence at 0800 hours on Friday, 04 April 2025 and conclude by 1400 hours. Participation does not incur registration or administrative fees. **Declaration of intent to compete does not assure a team's placement in the competition. Unallocated team slots declaring intent will be placed on an Order of Merit List. Failure to RSVP will result in forfeiture of potential placement and does not guarantee entry into the competition. Submission of additional registration forms is a critical requirement for finalizing registration.**

5. WEAPONS: For this year's competition, the 'arms room concept' (issued equipment within the competing team's armsroom) will be employed. **Competitors are required to use rifles, carbines, carbine optics, and pistols provided by their attending unit.** Sniper teams are authorized to bring the following weapon systems, adhering to the arms room concept:

- a. 2x Sniper Weapon System chambered up to 7.62x51mm or equivalent gas/bolt operated weapon system.
- b. 1x M4 Carbine (5.56mm) or equivalent.
- c. 2x M17/18 (9mm) service pistol or equivalent.
- d. Personally owned weapons are not authorized.

Competitors must supply their rifle accessories, including scopes, night vision, thermal devices, IR lasers, slings, and holsters. The USASC maintains a secure arms room with alarm system for the storage of weapons and sensitive items. Each team will be assigned a high value item storage locker and is **required to provide their own lock** to secure those items (i.e. Spotting Scopes, Personal NVDs, and Binoculars).

6. AMMUNITION: **Each team must independently coordinate their ammunition requirements as specified. Authorized projectiles are exclusively ball or frangible types; armor piercing, tracer, and incendiary rounds are strictly prohibited.**

Compliance with designated DODIC and NATO inventory inclusion for all ammunition is mandatory. US Military Teams are directed to liaise with Fort Moore Ammunition Supply Point (ASP) for allocation retrieval at Fort Moore. ASP POC is Mr. Medford at 706-544-6710. The USASC serves as the primary ammunition storage facility for competitors; teams are advised to secure their ammunition in a distinctly labeled, locked ammo can. For ammunition-related inquiries, US Military teams are to contact the 316th Cavalry Brigade Resourcing NCOIC at 706-545-4814 or timothy.t.jackson18.civ@army.mil. International teams are instructed to arrange direct ammunition shipment to USASC HQ at USASC Headquarters 10440 Backstrom Road, Building 4883, Fort Moore, GA 31905, employing only FEDEX or DHL as approved carriers with signature to retrieve. **Pre-shipping coordination with USASC is essential to competition execution and team participation.**

Ammunition Specifications:

- a. CTG, 7.62MM NATO SPEC BALL M118 SNGL RD, AA11, AB39: 475 rounds
 - b. CTG, 5.56MM BALL M855A1, CLIPPED BULK PACK, AB77: 100 rounds
 - c. CTG, 9MM M1152 BALL, AC20: 300 rounds
7. EQUIPMENT: Teams are required to furnish their own sniper gear suitable for both daytime and nighttime operations. Competing teams will not be issued any equipment by USASC. Provisioning of a wall locker for each team's equipment storage by the USASC is guaranteed; however, teams are responsible for supplying their own lock. A packing list, both recommended and obligatory, will accompany this letter upon release.
8. UNIFORM: The authorized uniform for competitors is the ACU or equivalent field uniform for other military branches and international teams. Teams must provide one Ghillie suit per competitor (shooter and spotter). Teams must also bring a serviceable duty uniform for the awards ceremony and business casual attire for other official events.
9. MEALS: MCOE will provide meals for all U.S. Military competitors. M&IE is **NOT AUTHORIZED** for competitors or coaches, regardless of funding source.
- a. **International competitors will be required to provide their own field rations.** Rations must be shipped to the **USASC HQ at USASC Headquarters, 10440 Backstrom Road, Building 4883, Fort Moore, GA 31905.** The number of rations needed per competitor for the duration of the ISC is: **5.**
10. LODGING: All competitors are required to stay in barracks. Lodging allowance is **NOT AUTHORIZED**, regardless of funding source.

11. TRAVEL: Teams are responsible for making their own travel arrangements to Fort Moore, GA. The USASC recommends that competitors fly into the Atlanta Hartsfield International Airport in Atlanta, GA. Fort Moore is located approximately 100 miles south of the airport. Competitors may use a rental car for their accommodations during the ISC. If competitors choose not to rent a car, they can use GROOME Transportation, which provides round trip transportation from the Atlanta Airport to Fort Moore. GROOME Transportation is in the ground transportation area of the airport and can be reached via phone at 1-800-584-6735 or at groometransportation.com. The USASC recommends that competitors make departure travel arrangements on 11 April 2025.

Early reporting (prior to 04 April 2025) is not authorized without permission from the US Army Infantry School. Competitors will not be authorized to store their weapons in the USASC arms room prior to registration without pre-coordination confirmation.

12. TRANSPORTATION: Teams must provide their own transportation to and from Fort Moore as well as before and after competition events. Teams must also provide their own transportation between lodging and USASC HQ. The USASC will provide all teams with shuttles to all ranges for all events.

13. VISITORS: Professional associates of the competitors and members of a team's chain-of-command are welcomed to spectate the competition. All visitors must sign in at the S3, the Competition Operations Center prior to attending an event, located at **1st BN, 29th IN REG, BUILDING 5142, 13th ARMORED REGIMENT RD, Fort Moore, GA 31905**. Visitors are not allowed to assist competitors in any way. Units must notify the MCoE Protocol at usarmy.moore.mcoe.mbx.executive-services@army.mil immediately if a General Officer from their installation or country plans to attend any portion of the competition.

a. Visitors are responsible for providing their own lodging, food, and transportation if attending the ISC.

b. A list of spectator friendly events will be provided each day of the competition by the Competition Operation Center. Not all events are spectator friendly.

14. MEDIA: Various members of the post, local, and national media are expected during the competition. Media personnel must be vetted through the MCoE Public Affairs Office (PAO) prior to the event. All competitors must complete a media release form and notify the USASC if they have mission critical circumstance prohibiting them from being interviewed, filmed, or photographed.

a. Teams that are approved for no media coverage will be issued a "No Press" Patch provided by the MCoE PAO for media identification.

b. Request for no media coverage must be in written form from the first O-6 within competing team's chain-of-command. A memorandum for record must be accompanied with competitors' packet for no media coverage to be approved.

15. AWARDS AND BANQUET: There will be an official awards ceremony on 10 April 2025 hosted by the USASC.

The Army Sniper Association (ASA) will host a banquet/social for the competitors on the evening of 10 April 2025 that all competitors are invited to attend. The dress code for this event is business casual. Banquet attendance is free and is highly encouraged, but not mandatory.

16. TIMELINE:

- a. NLT 31 January 2025 - Team's RSVP Due.
- b. NLT 1 March 2025 - Pre-registration Packet Due.
- c. 04 April 2025 - Teams arrive at USASC, Fort Moore.

- 1. 0800-1400 - In processing/ Final Registration

Any team not registered prior to 1400 hours will be eliminated from the competition unless significant circumstances arrived and communicated to the ISC POC.

- 2. 1500 – 1700 – Team Photos
 - 3. 1700 – 1800 – Opening Ceremony
 - 4. 1800 – 2000 – ASA Dinner
- d. 05 April 2025 – ISC rules brief, weapon group/zero/chronograph/truing/data collection, and competition Day 1 event brief.
- e. 05-09 April 2025 – Competition Days 1-4 and vendor display and shoot event.
- f. 10 April 2025 – Awards Ceremony. Competition AAR, vendor display and shoot event, and evening ASA banquet.

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- g. 11 April 2025 – Weapons, ammunition and equipment cleared from USASC arms room, and NET 0900 travel back to home station.

17. All changes will be reflected on the MCoE website:

<https://www.moore.army.mil/Sniper-Competition/> as needed. The USASC POCs for the 2025 International Sniper Competition are listed below.

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