

INFORMATION PAPER

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SUBJECT: Army National Guard (ARNG) Indoor Firing Range (IFR) Action Plan

1. **Purpose.** The purpose of this information paper is to outline the ARNG IFR Action Plan, designed to reduce the number of unsafe ranges. Additionally, it provides a brief description of the critical milestones required for completion in support of the plan.

2. **Facts.**

a. The IFR Action Plan was provided to the Department of Defense Inspector General (DODIG) in response to their audit of ARNG and U.S. Army Reserve small-arms indoor firing ranges performed in 1998 (DODIG Report No. 98-170, and 99-250). See attachment.

b. The DODIG reports are available for download or detailed review at <http://www.dodig.osd.mil/audit/reports/index.html>.

c. Initially, each state will be required to report the number of ranges, locations, status (Active/Inactive), and whether the range has been decontaminated or cleaned prior to closure.

d. Each state must assess their IFRs, and determine the disposition and future use of each range. This includes completion and submission of a Risk Assessment and Plan of Corrective Actions for each range, as applicable.

e. NGB-AVS-SG will assist the states with review of Scopes of Work, contracts, and Standing Operating Procedures for IFR operations.

f. Procedural guidance for IFR cleaning, conversion, rehabilitation, and closure are provided in All-States Policy Memorandum P01-0075, which was released in December of 2001.

g. Fiscal responsibilities for cleaning of IFRs have not been clearly identified. However, the aforementioned DODIG reports identify specific funding requirements for both State and Federally owned facilities.

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