MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: UTD/CTD for MAP/CAP 122-16(I) – Update FY 2017 Standard CONUS Per Diem Rate

1. **SYNOPSIS:** The General Services Administration (GSA) in accordance with FTR Bulletin 17-01, dated 12 August 2016 has updated the FY 2017 Standard CONUS Per Diem Rate by increasing the maximum lodging rate from $89 to $91. The meals and incidental expense (M&IE) reimbursement rate tiers were not revised for FY 2017 and remains at $51. The FY 2017 Standard CONUS Per Diem rate of $142 is effective on 1 October 2016.

2. The attached revision is forwarded for information purposes only. No coordination or comments are required.

3. This revision was initiated by GSA.

4. These changes are scheduled to appear in the JTR, dated 1 October 2016.

5. This determination is **effective on 1 October 2016.**

6. Action Officer: Debbie Wells (debbie.l.wells.civ@mail.mil).

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Attachment:
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C. Standard CONUS Per Diem Rate. The Standard CONUS per diem rate is:

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A. General. TQSE(AE) is an actual expense allowance based on the:

1. *$142 Standard CONUS per diem rate for temporary lodging occupied in any CONUS locality (effective 1 October 2016), or

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2. Per Diem Rates. The per diem rates used for computation are:

   *a. CONUS. *$142, Standard CONUS per diem rate (effective 1 October 2016).

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c. First 30 Days

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   (4) Dependent under Age 12. The daily rate cannot exceed 50% of the daily maximum per diem rate for each dependent who is under age 12.

*NOTE: The maximum daily rates for the first 30 days (based on the daily per diem rate of $142) in pars. 5810-A2a through 5810-A2d are $142, $106.50, $106.50, and $71.00, respectively, if the temporary lodging is occupied in CONUS.

   d. Second Thirty Days. The maximum allowable daily rate for the second thirty days is:

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   (4) Dependent under Age 12. The daily rate cannot exceed 40% of the daily maximum per diem rate for each dependent under age 12.

*NOTE: If the temporary lodging is in CONUS, the maximum daily rates for additional days (based on the daily per diem rate of $142) in pars. 5810-A2a through 5810A2d are $106.50, $71.00, $71.00, and $56.80 respectively.

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4. **Q:** What benefits are available for dependents going to an authorized alternate safe haven?

*A:* If the "official" safe haven is the fifty United States or the District of Columbia, then anywhere outside the 50 United States and the District of Columbia is an "alternate" safe haven. Evacuation benefits are available only if the Secretary of State and the Agency head/designee authorizes the alternate safe haven as being in the Gov’t’s best interest (DSSR, Sec 614c). Within DoD, PDUSD (P&R) may authorize an alternate safe haven (phone (703) 697-2086 or DSN (312) 227-2086). *The employee cannot simply choose an alternate safe haven.* The employee must travel to the official safe haven (DSSR, Sec 631a(1)). The only benefits at an authorized alternate safe haven are: (1) constructed cost travel (NTE travel and transportation costs between the evacuated PDS and the employee's official safe haven location) if the dependent(s) want to join the employee at the employee's official safe haven location; and (2) limited SEA based on the lowest per diem rate of the official safe haven, authorized alternate safe haven, or Standard CONUS - $142 as of 10-1-16. The lowest is usually the Standard CONUS rate. Education allowance is limited to Internet costs between the PDS school and the alternate safe haven (DSSR, Secs 621.1d and 621.2d). *Diplomats immunities, privileges, or services are not available at the alternate safe haven.*