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SUBJECT: Army Business Initiative Council

This memorandum expires in 1 year.

1. The Department of Army established the Army Business Initiative Council (ABIC) to support Department of Defense transformation efforts. The mission of the ABIC is "to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the Army's business operations by identifying, evaluating, and implementing business initiatives that streamline Department of the Army business operations and create savings."
2. The Secretary of the Army approved more than 50 initiatives for implementation last year. Continued success of this program will depend on the participation of major Army commands. Here in USAREUR, we have an obligation as good stewards of our resources to work efficiently and to recommend ways to improve Army business practices. The ABIC provides a way for us to do this. It also enables us to identify initiatives that require higher-level visibility and support.
3. HQ USAREUR/7A staff offices and USAREUR major subordinate commands are strongly encouraged to support the ABIC by sending recommendations for new or modified business initiatives to the USAREUR G8 by 1 August 2003. These initiatives should recommend changes to policy and procedures that would improve quality of life, reduce costs, encourage collaboration, improve customer service, or increase flexibility.
4. To support Army transformation and better business practices, commanders will work with appropriate HQ USAREUR/7A staff offices to submit recommendations to the ABIC. Specific guidance on how to prepare and submit ABIC recommendations is available on the USAREUR G8 website at <http://www.odcsrm.hqusareur.army mil/rmmp/BIC/BIC.htm>.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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