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SUBJECT: Living Allowance Entitlements When US Government Messing is Available

REFERENCE: DSCA (P3) [Policy No. 03-01](#) (DSCA Msg. 141441Z APR 2003)

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		New		Modification		Cancellation

SUMMARY: There has been some confusion regarding meals allowances for IMSs who are undergoing training at facilities where government messing is available. Reference (a) provides guidance for this issue, and applies to IMSs who receive travel and living allowances under IMET, FMS, and other Security Cooperation programs.

To summarize this policy, if government messing is available, then the IMS will be reimbursed for meals at the JFTR-USG mess available amount (Effective January 1, 2004 rate is \$8.30 per day.) If one or two meals are available, then the JFTR proportional meal rate will apply. This policy applies to all IMSs, regardless of rank or pay grade.

ACTION: IMSOs should ensure that all IMSs are aware of this policy, and that daily living allowances are properly calculated to reflect the availability of US Government messing facilities. Questions regarding this matter should be directed to the appropriate NETSAFA Country Manager.

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