

STATE OF ARIZONA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
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PHOENIX, ARIZONA

16 April 1957

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Honorable Wilber M. Brucker
Secretary of the Army
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Brucker:

Reference is made to letter this headquarters under date 25 August 1956 and letter Honorable Hugh M. Milton II of 23 October 1956 relative to continued use of Fort Huachuca, Arizona, as field training site for National Guard of Arizona (Army).

I will attempt to bring you up to date as to what has transpired since receipt of letter from the Honorable Hugh M. Milton II.

Commanding General, Fort Huachuca, was asked to comment if he had any objection to use of Fort Huachuca as permanent Field Training site by National Guard of Arizona (Army).

He replied that request was transmitted to Chief, Signal Officer, for decision and reply direct to this headquarters.

Chief, Signal Officer, by TWX SIG 14987 from SIGPO-9-B 13 December 1956 to Commanding General, Sixth United States Army with information copies to this headquarters and Commanding General Fort Huachuca stated there was no objection by Chief, Signal Officer, for utilizing Fort Huachuca as field training site of National Guard of Arizona (Army), and matter was referred to Commanding General, Sixth United States Army, for action as provided in regulations pertaining to selection of field training sites for the National Guard.

Commanding General, Sixth United States Army, by TWX AMGCT-6 N-101 dated 20 December 1956 to this headquarters and Commanding General, Fort Huachuca, stated "for planning purposes and subject to approval of above addressees, Fort Huachuca will be the permanent field training site for the Army National Guard of Arizona".

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Under date 28 December 1956 by TWX AR5194-A-2, this Headquarters notified Sixth United States Army, Fort Huachuca is approved as the permanent field training site for National Guard of Arizona (Army).

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Based upon the foregoing, the State of Arizona, through this Headquarters has requested the Corps of Engineers, United States Army, to prepare draft of the instrument the Governor of Arizona will be required to sign, in keeping with paragraph 3 of letter to Deputy Commanding General, Sixth United States Army, under date 25 August 1956. The State is anxious to have the matter of permanent field training site for the National Guard of Arizona (Army) established on record.

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Under existing conditions there is nothing to prevent the successors to present Chief, Signal Office and Commanding General, Fort Huachuca, from rescinding the action of their predecessors.

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The Corps of Engineers, United States Army, agree but are reluctant to include any reference in the deed or instrument of transfer from the State of Arizona of the Artillery Range at Fort Huachuca to the Department of Army which will insure the utilization of Fort Huachuca as a permanent field training site for the National Guard of Arizona (Army).

Camp Williams near Salt Lake City, Utah, is considered as one alternate if required to move from Fort Huachuca. A loss of two days travel each way, plus one day getting established, and one breaking camp, will cut the field training to nine (9) days. Fort Ord or Camp Roberts, California, another alternate, would provide not over ten and one-half (10-1/2) days field training because of travel.

Apparently only you, Mr. Secretary, can issue an order or directive that will establish a policy whereby the National Guard of Arizona (Army) will be assured of Fort Huachuca remaining as its permanent field training site.

It is requested therefore that your office approve the action of Chief, Signal Office, or take such action as you deem necessary that will insure the use of Fort Huachuca as a permanent field training site for the National Guard of Arizona (Army).

Respectfully yours,

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Ltr Hq NG Az, 25 Aug 56

Ltr Asst Sec Army, 23 Oct 56

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