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1. This STM will define and clarify the National Guard policy and provide guidance for the execution of Aerial Demonstrations on and off of military installations. This is in anticipation of an Army Directive that will come out in the near future.

2. The public display of Army aviation units and assets contributes to Army recruitment, public engagement, and the demonstration of national pride. Army Directive 2010-08 is being rescinded and a process for submitting requests for flyovers and aerial demonstrations that are compliant with current applicable policy and regulatory guidance is under development.

3. All requests for flyover and aerial demonstration support will utilize Department of Defense Form 2535, Request for Military Aerial Support. Event sponsors or command public affairs offices will forward all flyover and aerial demonstrations support requests through NGB-PA, to the Office of the Chief of Public Affairs for approval no later than 30 days prior to the requested event. This will require the request process to be initiated no later than 60 days prior. Submissions inside the 30 day window will not be considered.

4. Department of Defense Instruction 5410.19 defines a flyover as a "straight and level flight, usually limited to one pass, by no more than four military aircraft of the same type from the same Military Service over a predetermined point on the ground at a specific time and not involving aerobatics or demonstrations." For Army flyovers, the following constraints apply and may not be waived:
   a. The event or observance must be of sufficient size and significance (5,000 spectators or greater) to justify the use of Army aircraft or resources;
   b. Event sponsors must formally recognize the unit and individual crewmembers supporting the event or observance during the conduct of the event or observance;
   c. Units will conduct flyovers during daylight hours only; and
   d. Units will not attach or suspend flags, banners, streamers, or external loads from Army aircraft during the conduct of a flyover mission.

5. Prior to submitting a flyover support request through command channels, the Installation Senior Commander or the State Adjutant General, as applicable, will certify that the request fully complies with applicable policy and regulatory guidance.
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6. This STM supersedes the current policies and guidance provided in the NG PAM 95-5. ARNG-AV will ensure that the provisions of this STM are incorporated into the next revision of NG PAM 95-5.

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