

**AREA IV
DIAMOND GAZETTE**

July 2003

YOUR ROAD MAP TO MILITARY PAY ISSUES

OFFICE HOURS

Main Finance (Bldg 1685)

0900-1500 M-W, F

In & Out Proc. (Bldg 1103)

0900-1500 M-W, F

Camp Carroll (Bldg T-138)

0900-1500 M-W, F

NCOIC 765-7235

Cust. Svc. 765-8697/8504/8774

Camp Hialeah (Bldg T-251)

0900-1500 M-W, F

763-7303/7370

FINANCE NUMBERS

Battalion Commander	725-8838
Battalion CSM	723-7959
Detachment Commander	768-8449
Detachment Sergeant	768-7979
Customer Service	768-6944/7813/7519
Travel	768-7658
Disbursing	768-6927
In/Out Processing	768-7022/7416

FINANCE BRIEFINGS

In-processing Briefings are held from 0900-1100 M-W & F at Bldg 1103 for all Army soldiers in Area IV. Soldiers should have 7 copies of all orders, along with 5 copies of the following: plane tickets, DA 31, DA 4187 (for hometown recruiting), any statements of non-availability, and TDY/DLA advances.

Out-processing Briefings are held from 1000-1100 every Tuesday at the Camp Henry Theater. Soldiers should bring 7 copies of orders, a working copy of DA 31 (leave form), and 1 copy of travel itinerary or port-call. Soldiers assigned to Cp Hialeah can visit their local office for out-processing. Soldiers **MUST ATTEND** an Out-processing Briefing NLT 30 days before their DEROS.

FINANCE HOTLINE

The 175th FINCOM accepts military and civilian pay inquiries at Korea-wide DSN 725-CASH and via the 175th FINCOM website.

PAC REPRESENTATIVES

Each Battalion has a finance representative assigned to their PACs for the purposes of tracking performance and dealing with issues.

765-7235	307 th SIG BN 6 th ORD BN 23 rd CHEM BN
765-8697	16 th MEDLOG B Co, 524 th MI USA Mt. SPT
768-7416	20 th SPT GRP 19thTSC
768-6944	C, 516 th PSB 76 th MP (CID)
768-7658	A Co, 532 nd BN CSCT2
763-7303	4 th QM 837 th TRANS
768- 6944	36 th SIG BN 168 th MED BN DLA Pacific
768-6125	728 th MP BN E Co, 160 th SOAR

HOT TOPICS

Cost of Living Allowance (COLA): Effective 16 June 2003, all soldiers assigned to Korea are authorized a non-taxable COLA entitlement. The amount of COLA is dependent on your pay grade, number of years of service for pay purposes, number of command sponsored dependents in country, soldiers duty location and dependents location, if COLA is authorized for that location. The amount payable each month will fluctuate periodically based on adjustments made for the dollar to won exchange rate. Soldiers are not authorized COLA for non-command sponsored family members in Korea. To look up current rates for each location (known as a locality code), go to the 175th FINCOM website: <http://175fincom.korea.army.mil>.

Tax Withholding Reduction: The Tax Reconciliation Act of 2003 reduced Federal Tax Withholding rates for soldiers on this LES. Soldiers who wish to adjust their tax withholding rates may do so at any time from the myPay website. Come see us if you need a myPay PIN number.