

**AREA IV
DIAMOND GAZETTE**

May 2003

YOUR ROAD MAP TO FINANCE 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
Unresolved Civilian and Military Pay	
Inquiry Hotline	725-CASH

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 **MUST ATTEND** an Out-processing Briefing NLT 30 days before their DEROS.

TLA-HOT NEWS!!

Service members in Korea will no longer have to pay out of pocket expenses for lodging on base while awaiting quarters. Instead of having to wait for your reimbursement, finance will now foot the bill directly. Your hotel will send the bill to finance and we will pay your bill. Service members will now get reimbursed for meals only.

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
768-6941	19 th TSC 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 MEDLOG DLA Pacific
768-6125	728 th MP BN E Co, 160 th SOAR

HOT TOPICS

Family Separation Allowance (FSH Type II)

With a retro-active date of 1 Oct 02, FSA has now increased from \$100 to \$250 per month. Any soldier who has not received a back payment, please go by your local finance office for assistance.

Travel: Travel TDY has now been consolidated at A Det 176th Finance Bn in Yongsan. Service members and GS employees should still submit their vouchers through C Det 176th Finance offices. Submit original plus one (1) copy. Any questions concerning payments should be addressed to our offices.

Thrift Savings Plan: TSP is now in open season until June 30. To sign up, login into **myPay** or visit your local finance office.

New Savings Bonds Rates were announced on 1 May 03 for bonds held the minimum holding period. The new rates are 4.66% for I Bonds and 2.66% for EE Bonds. Both bonds are offered through payroll deduction. For more details, please go to: www.savingsbonds.gov.

FINANCE WEBSITES

<http://175fincom.korea.army.mil>

<http://www.dfas.mil>