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Question	QMP	QSP
When will I be separated if	On the first day of the 7th	On the first day of the 12th
selected for QMP or QSP?	month.	month.
Can I apply for retirement in lieu	Yes, if you have at least 18 years	Yes, if you have at least 15 years
of involuntary separation?	of AFS on date of separation.	of AFS on date of separation.
Can I apply for retirement under the Temporary Early Retirement Authority?	No, TERA is only authorized for drawdown programs.	Yes, if you have at least 15, but less than 20 years of AFS on date of separation and your retirement date is no later than 30 September 2018.
Am I eligible for separation pay?	Yes, half separation if you meet the requirements of DoD 7000.14-R, Vol. 7A.	Yes, full separation if you meet the requirements of DoD 7000.14-R, Vol. 7A.
Can I transfer/enlist into a Reserve Component?	No.	Yes, if otherwise qualified.
What Separation Program Designator (SPD) and Re-entry (RE) Codes will I receive?	Retirement: RBD – Sufficient Service for Retirement / 4R. Separation: JGH – Non-Retention on Active Duty / RE4.	Retirement: RCC – Voluntary Retirement /4R. TERA: RBE – Voluntary Early Retirement / 4R. Separation: JCC – Early Separation / RE1.
Can I still transfer my educational benefits to my dependents?	Yes, only if service obligation has been met prior to approval of board results.	Yes, only if service obligation has been met prior to approval of board results.
What happens if I have already transferred my educational benefits to my dependents?	If obligation has been met there's no penalty, however if your obligation has not been met, SM must repay any used portion of the benefit.	If election is made prior to the approval of board results, the service obligation is waived.
What happens if I have received the Career Status Bonus (CSB)?	If your separation date is prior to 20 years AFS, you are required to pay the unearned portion of the CSB.	If your separation date is prior to 20 years AFS, the requirement to pay the unearned portion of the CSB is waived.
What happens if I have received	If your separation date is prior to	Bonus repayment of any
a Reenlistment or Critical Skills	your bonus obligation ending	unearned portion will not be
Retention Bonus (SRB or CSRB)?	date, you are required to repay the unearned portion of your bonus.	sought and any unpaid installments will be made to the member in lump sum.
IMREPR	9L – Identified/Selected or 9M – Retirement	9J – Selected or 9U - Retirement
Are these programs used for force structuring?	No.	Yes.