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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: U.S. Army Combined Arms Support Command Policy Letter - General Brehon B. Somervell Coin-Medallion of Excellence

1. References:

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 600-8-22, Military Awards.
- b. AR 5-22, The Army Force Modernization Proponent System.
- c. TRADOC Regulation 672-6, Military Coins.

2. This memorandum provides procedures for requesting, awarding, and presenting the General Brehon B. Somervell Coin-Medallion (Medal) of Excellence.

3. As the Army proponent for logistics IAW AR 5-22 (table 3), the Commanding General, U.S. Army Combined Arms Support Command (CASCOM) has established the General Brehon B. Somervell medal to recognize military and civilian personnel who have made significant contributions in sustainment, with specific emphasis on multifunctional logistics. The approval authority is the Commanding General, CASCOM.

4. The General Brehon B. Somervell medal is a decorative honorary medal. This medal is only authorized for wear during and immediately following the presentation ceremony and at special occasions for branch functions, such as birthday balls, regimental balls, dining-ins, and dining-outs.

5. Eligibility criteria for the General Brehon B. Somervell Coin-Medallion (Medal) of Excellence are as follows:

- a. Awarded to U.S. military (any proponent) or Department of Defense civilian personnel with 25 or more years of sustainment experience in the area of logistics, emphasizing multifunctional support.

- b. Contractor and foreign national personnel shall not be awarded a Somervell Coin-Medallion of Excellence.

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c. Given in recognition of the following:

(1) Made significant contributions throughout sustainment as a whole or contributions to at least two or more functional areas of sustainment. Please be specific in stating the significant contributions and how it impacted the Army.

(2) Recognition of outstanding service to the United States Army sustainment, its programs, and its Soldiers.

d. Will not be awarded as a Permanent Change of Station award or a change of duty position award. This award is meant to recognize a lifetime of service and support to Army sustainment.

6. The following guidelines and documentation requirements are applicable for submission and approval of the General Brehon B. Somervell medal:

a. Requests must include the following information in memorandum format and be received no later than 45 days prior to desired proposed presentation date. Recommendations will be signed by the first General Officer or Senior Executive Service (SES) in the recipient's chain of command.

(1) Name (as it will appear on the certificate).

(2) Rank/Grade.

(3) MOS/Series.

(4) Unit of Assignment/Directorate.

(5) Duty Position.

(6) Inclusive Dates.

(7) Presentation Date (submit NLT 45 days prior to the date of presentation).

(8) Justification narrative not to exceed two pages, should clearly indicate how the individual's actions and their results made significant contributions to Army sustainment. Justification must not be "branch" specific.

b. State the recipient is not under any disciplinary action and list a point of contact for the recommendation in the last paragraph.

c. Include an ORB/ERB for military personnel or biographical data for civilian personnel.

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7. Failure to provide the required information and an adequate justification could result in disapproval of the award. Nominations must be submitted NLT later than 45 days prior to the date of presentation.

8. The General Brehon B. Somervell medal consists of a coin-medal and certificate. Only one coin-medal will be awarded per recipient.

9. The approval process is directed by a board. The board consists of the following members: Chief of Staff; Command Sergeant Major; Command Chief Warrant Officer; and Deputy Chief of Staff.

a. Board will convene the first Thursday of every month.

b. Secretary of the General Staff (SGS) personnel will notify the recommender or action officer of the board results, and Logistics Branch Proponency Office.

10. The submission of the award will be process through CASCOM SGS awards at usarmy.lee.tradoc.mbx.lee-cascom-sgs@mail.mil.

11. This policy letter is effective until superseded or rescinded.

12. Point of contact for this memorandum is the Secretary of the General Staff, (804) 734-1616/0647/1573.

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1. Summary of General Somervell
2. Sample recommendation
3. Sample narrative and citation
4. Sample certificate
5. Questionnaire/Checklist

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