



Office of the Provost Marshal General

Mission and Responsibilities



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Mission of OPMG. Leads and directs policy for Army law enforcement, police intelligence, physical security, corrections and internment, criminal investigations, provost marshal activities, and military police support as well as biometrics and forensics throughout the full range of military operations. Supports management and execution of the Army Force Protection mission including antiterrorism and intelligence functions.

Assigned Functions and Responsibilities of the Office of the Provost Marshal General within Headquarters, Department of the Army (Extract from General Orders No. 2012-01). The Provost Marshal General (PMG) is the principal military adviser to the SecArmy on policing matters. The PMG is the principal ARSTAF adviser to the CSA on policing. Under the supervision of the ASA (M&RA) in coordination with OGC for the Army's policing function, including law enforcement, criminal investigations, criminal intelligence fusion, corrections, forensics, physical security, high-risk personnel security, antiterrorism and detention operations, the Provost Marshal General develops and executes Army strategy, policy, plans and programs; ensures execution is consistent with law; regulation and policy of policies, plans and programs by other DA officials and organizations; and reviews and assesses the execution of policies, plans and programs. The Provost Marshal General is also responsible for coordinating with DoD and, as appropriate, other Federal, State, local, tribal and international law enforcement agencies, for the Army's policing functions. The PMG is assigned responsibility for:

- a. Serving as DA's independent criminal investigative authority, free of actual or perceived undue command influence and reporting directly to the SecArmy and CSA.
- b. Exercising authority, direction and control over the Army Corrections System, including establishing policies and coordinating procedures necessary to carry out the execution of military prisoners.
- c. Serving as the DoD policy proponent for policing-related responsibilities assigned to the Army, including the Joint DoD Traffic Supervision Program and Armed Forces Disciplinary Control Board.
- d. Supporting the ASA (M&RA) and the DCS, G-3/5/7 in the execution of Army antiterrorism and protection efforts, including providing direct support for antiterrorism branch and antiterrorism operations and intelligence cell functions and supporting the ASA (IE&E) on installation physical security.
- e. Planning and organizing law enforcement support to the Army.
- f. Leading the implementation, development and dissemination of Army protocols for conducting law enforcement and suspicious activity reporting, analysis and production.
- g. Leading the implementation, development and dissemination of Army protocols for the apprehension of Soldier absentees and deserters.
- h. Representing Army interests in the national and international policing and law enforcement and corrections communities.
- j. Leading the implementation, development and dissemination of Army policy and protocols for forensics and biometrics responsibilities.

Army Executive Agent Responsibilities. The Provost Marshal General serves as the lead official for the Secretary of the Army in executing the Secretary's responsibilities as DoD Executive Agent for:

- a. DoD Detainee Operations Policy
- b. DoD Level III Corrections (sentences of confinement exceeding 10 years)
- c. DoD Civilian Police Officers and Security Guards Physical Fitness, Training and Certification Standards
- d. Forensics
- e. Biometrics

Army Authorities. The Provost Marshal General serves as the lead official in executing Army responsibilities for:

- a. Investigating suspected Iraq war crimes committed against US personnel and interest/securing and preserving evidence of Iraq's former regime.
- b. Investigating war crimes, acts of terrorism, and related investigations of individuals located or found within AFCENT AOR and at GTMO.
- c. Collecting DNA from members of the Armed Forces convicted of a qualifying military offense.
- d. Providing protective services for designated Principles and Dignitaries.
- e. Managing Civilian Career Program 19.

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