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TO ALL ARMY MARS RDs and SDs
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SUBJECT:  CAMO 08-10 CFARS/MARS Joint Digital Interoperability Directive
REF:
A. CAMO 04-10, DTG 121645A April 2010, CFARS-ARMY MARS Test.
B. CAMO 05-10 UPDATE to CFARS-ARMY MARS Test.
C. CAMO 07-10, DTG 121645Z May 2010, Update to CFARS-Army Test D. Joint
1. REF A,B and C outlined CFARS-Army MARS operational test. Ref D is CFARS
Directive.
2. Effective immediately based on Joint CFARS/MARS Digital Interoperability
Directive (attached), dated 13 may 2010, all Army MARS members are
authorized to connect with CFARS RMSs via PACTOR and WINMOR.
3. Please note voice communications between CFARS and Army MARS members
will still be coordinated through the RDs.
4. RDs please ensure distro to all Army MARS members and stations.
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13 May 2010

All CFARS/MARS

**JOINT CFARS/MARS DIGITAL INTEROPERABILITY DIRECTIVE**

References:  
A. MARS CAMO 6-19  
B. CFARS Genlist 6-10  
C. DIMTPS 5-3 e-mail May 12 2010

**BACKGROUND:**

1. The CFARS and Army MARS networks have been conducting interoperability trials at various times during the past two years. These trials were conducted using various digital modes that included MT63 and Pactor. The success of these joint trials provided the impetus for CFARS management to request authority to open up the operations to include all MARS/CFARS without restrictions. The recent release to the Amateur community of the “WINMOR” application has provided a cost effective communications capability that provides ARQ operations similar to Pactor. This capability has been in use with the MARS network for some time and has proven effective for the transfer of e-mail traffic throughout the world. The CFARS network now boasts 4 RMS stations with this capability.

2. Effective immediately all MARS and CFARS RMS sites are authorized to provide mutual support on all MARS and CFARS RMS designated frequencies. Non digital communications (SSB) will continue to be coordinated by the Regional Directors on a case by case basis.
3. This directive is subject to change at any time as directed by DND, due to requirements of the military for frequency allocations and security. It also requires renewal annually.

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