EDCOM BULLETIN 1700

From: Commanding General, Education Command
To: Distribution List

Subj: REQUEST MAST WITH THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE MARINE CORPS (IGMC) OR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE

Ref: (a) MCO 1700.23G

Encl: (1) NAVMC 11296 Rev 5-19

1. **Purpose.** To announce that every Marine who is a member of the inspected unit will be afforded the opportunity to appear before the Inspector General of the Marine Corps (IGMC) or the designated representative to request mast.

2. **Background.** While Marines do not have the vested right to request mast to any commander higher than their immediate Commanding General, they may request mast of the Commandant of the Marine Corps (CMC), via the IGMC, when their command is being inspected by the IGMC. During such inspections, the IGMC or designated representative will act as an agent of the Commandant.

3. **Actions**

   a. All Marines who desire to request Mast to the CMC may do so in writing, in accordance with reference (a), utilizing enclosure (1).

   b. Marines who, in good faith, wish to appear before the IGMC or designated representative at request mast may do so without fear of retaliation or prejudice to their interests. Additionally, Marines desiring to keep the subject of the request mast private must seal the request mast in an envelope and mark it "to be opened by the IGMC only."

   c. The IGMC or designated representative will be available to hear such requests from 1200-1300, 9 Oct 2019 in the Sergeant Major's office (room 109), located in building 2076. All requests for mast must be submitted to the EDCOM Sergeant Major (Acting), Sergeant Major Eric E. Cayson by 1630, 8 Oct 2019.

   [Signature]

   G. L. LEMONS
   By direction
In accordance with current edition of MCO P5600.31, this directive has been reviewed for necessity, current applicability, and to assure consonance with existing law and with national and Department of Defense policy, by:

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