

BULLET BACKGROUND PAPER

ON

USAF SF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS SAFETY ACT IMPLEMENTATION

PURPOSE

Provide update on the current status of implementation, with respect to policy and procedures to obtain/issue 926(b) and 926(c) LEOSA credentials for the United States Air Force.

DISCUSSION

- To issue a 926(b), individuals must meet the USAF definition of a “Qualified Law Enforcement Officer”
 - Enlisted: Serving in a 3PX position, 5 skill level, and 21 years of age and older
 - Officer: Serving in a 31P position and graduate of SF officer basic course
 - Department of AF Police: Must meet conditions of employment

- All individuals must be authorized to carry a firearm by the agency
 - Qualified on Service pistol (must carry AF Form 629)
 - If not required to fire semi-annually based on duty position, follow section 926C

- To issue a 926(c), individuals must meet the USAF definition of a “Qualified Retired Law Enforcement Officer”
 - Retired military, civilian, and separated members must have had 10 years aggregate service as a qualified Law Enforcement Officer during their service

 - Must carry USAF credential AND state certification by the state in which the individual resides that indicates within the last 12 months, individual has met standards for training and qualification to carry a firearm for active law enforcement officers
 - USAF SF course of fire will be the standard
 - Training will be at individual’s expense at certified civilian range
 - Active duty SF members not covered under Section 926B must meet these qualifications to carry

- DoDI 5525.12 *Implementation of LEOSA* was published 13 Feb 14, and AFMAN 31-XXX *Security Forces Compliance with House Resolution 218, The Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act*, is currently going through mandatory HAF coordination

- Issuance of the credential will be conducted by a central contractor under a fee for service contract. A request for information was sent to industry and four companies expressed interest
 - HQ Air Force Security Forces Center is working with contracting to evaluate the methodology for acquiring the contract and subsequent award of this unique contract. A date for this action is not currently available based upon complexity of the requirement

SUMMARY

- HQ Air Force Security Forces Center is diligently working to establish policy, develop guidance/training, and establish a contract vehicle for issuance of LEOSA credentials for AF Law Enforcement Officers. ECD: ASAP CY14.