



**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
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CONVENING AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL OMC PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: Housing Policy for OMC Personnel at Guantanamo Bay

This policy applies to all military and civilian personnel assigned, attached or detailed to the Office of Military Commissions in support of commission cases at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (collectively referred to as "OMC personnel"). This policy does not apply to contractor personnel whose billeting is provided in accordance with the terms of their contract.

Trial teams for OMC-Prosecution (OMC-P), including Department of Justice personnel assigned, attached or detailed to OMC-P, and OMC-Defense (OMC-D) may be provided limited Naval Station transient housing units rented for them by this office. These units are for the exclusive use of prosecution and defense trial teams, and billeting of personnel in those units will be managed by the Chief Prosecutor and Chief Defense Counsel. All other OMC-P and OMC-D personnel will be subject to the billeting restrictions detailed below.

All other OMC personnel will be billeted in the Camp Justice Cuzco Trailers and tents. Department of Justice personnel who travel to Guantanamo in support of military commissions, but not assigned to a trial team, will be billeted in the Cuzco Trailers, not tents. If contractor personnel request to be billeted in the Cuzco Trailers and/or tents in lieu of the billeting arrangements specified in their contracts, they will be allocated such quarters, if available. Billeting will be arranged by and through OMC-OPS-S personnel. No OMC personnel or Department of Justice personnel working with OMC-P are authorized to contact the Naval Station Housing Office or the JTF to arrange separate billeting.

The only persons authorized billeting through the Naval Station Housing Office are sitting trial judges, panel members, witnesses, victim/ family members, escorts, and translators.

Requests for exceptions must be sent to the Director of Operations NLT 5 days before travel.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bruce MacDonald", is positioned above the typed name.

Bruce MacDonald
Convening Authority
for Military Commissions