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MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, Headquarters, Eighth United States Army, G3 Aviation, ATTN: EAGC-EA, Unit #15236, APO AP 96205-0009

SUBJECT: Air Traffic Control Special Retirement Coverage Determination

1. References:

- a. Memorandum, EAGC-EA, 17 October 2013, subject as above.
- b. 5 United States Code §2109.
- c. 5 Code of Federal Regulations Part 831, and Part 842, Subpart H.

2. This is in response to your request (Reference 1a) for Special Retirement Coverage (SRC) for Position Description (PD) #8U050, Air Traffic Control Specialist, GS-2152-11, and PD #149792, Air Traffic Control Specialist, GS-2152-13. For the reasons that follow, your request is denied:

a. Based on a review of applicable law and regulation and the information contained in the request and attachments provided, the referenced positions do not meet the requirements for SRC under either the Civil Service Retirement System or the Federal Employees Retirement System (References 1b and 1c).

b. Air traffic control (ATC) SRC eligibility is dependent on the duties of each employee's position and is not automatically available to those within the 2152 occupational series. Army activities may therefore have staff positions properly classified as 2152s, which do not meet the legal threshold for SRC. Such positions may be involved in the development, coordination, and management of air traffic control programs and may require an extensive knowledge of the laws, rules, regulations, and procedures governing the movement of air traffic. Additionally, 2152 positions may include research and development positions involved in the development of rules regarding airspace utilization and participation in the development of regulations and procedures for the security, control, and methods of integrating air traffic.

c. As critical as these positions are, they do not meet the SRC definition provided in law or the regulatory criteria necessary for SRC coverage, and I do not have the authority to approve this request.

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3. My point of contact for this action is Ms. Barbara Walker, 703-806-4737 or barbara.s.walker12.civ@mail.mil


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