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From: Commanding General, Marine Corps Recruiting Command

Subj: REPLACEMENT OF EL SCORE WITH AFQT FOR OFFICER ACCESSIONS

1. Purpose. To notify all levels within the Marine Corps Recruiting Command of the recent change in requirements for officer accessions.

2. Background. The EL has no verbal component and was designed to qualify enlisted Marines in electronic skills. The AFQT is designed to be a measure of general intelligence with two verbal and math components, and it predicts success at The Basic School (TBS) better than other standardized tests.

3. Information. A MarAdmin message addressing this subject will be released in the forthcoming month.

4. Action

a. Commissioned officer applicants must attain an AFQT minimum of 74 in place of the EL minimum of 115.

b. All commissioned officer applicants contracted after 01 Jan 03 are subject to this requirement.

b. Ensure this information receives widest distribution to OSOs, OSOAs, MEPS Liaison, NCOICs and recruiters.

5. Point of contact is LtCol R. N. Plantz at (703)784-9408 or DSN 278-9408.

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