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**History.** This regulation prescribes the composition and military structure approved for the Puerto Rico State Guard Command.

**Summary.** This revision updates the information related to the composition, structure, function, and the organization charts of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command military units. Additional information is included on how these PRSG units will be managed in coordination with the Task Forces and the Joint Operations Plan.

**Applicability.** This regulation applies to all components of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command.

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# Chapter 1 General

### 1-1. Purpose. This regulation—

- a. Prescribes the composition and military structure of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command.
- b. Provides policies and procedures for the establishment and maintenance of the units of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command in accordance with the rules and regulations established by the Adjutant General of Puerto Rico, the Commanding General of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command, and the Joint Operations Plans (JOPLAN) in force upon the approval of this regulation.
- **1-2. Abbreviations and acronyms.** Abbreviations used in this regulation are listed in Appendix A.
- **1-3. Definitions.** Definitions of terms shown in this document are listed in Appendix B.
- **1-4. References**. The publications used as reference in the preparation of this regulation are shown in Appendix C.

### 1-5. Policy.

- a. Authority. Article 4.02 of the Military Code of Puerto Rico Century XXI, Law 88 of August 8, 2023, authorizes the Adjutant General of Puerto Rico to promulgate rules and regulations, that are not incompatible with the provisions of this Chapter, with respect to age, enlistment, organization, administration, equipment requirements, sustainment, training and discipline of said forces; Said rules and regulations must be in accordance with the laws of Puerto Rico applicable to the Military Forces of Puerto Rico.
- b. Non-discrimination: The personnel actions prescribed in this regulation will be carried out without distinction of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin. Unless clearly applicable to only one sex, terms indicating "member," "members," "applicants," and "staff" apply to both men and women. See also PRSG Directive 13-300.

### 1-6. Command responsibility.

- a. The Adjutant General of Puerto Rico will evaluate and offer guidance on the composition and military structure of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command and will ensure that this composition is consistent with the joint operations plans (JOPLAN) of the Puerto Rico National Guard.
- b. The Adjutant General of Puerto Rico will delegate and provide guidance for operations to the Commanding General of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command.
- c. The Commanding General of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command will be responsible for establishing and supervising the composition and military structure of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command, its MSC, Battalions, Companies, Squadrons, Flights, and Separate Units.
- d. Major Subordinate Commands (MSC) Commanders will be responsible for supervising the units under their command and ensuring that they are in faithful compliance with the military composition and structures approved by the PRSG CG.

### 1-7. Military structure criteria for Puerto Rico State Guard Command.

- a. The structure and composition of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command are based on several key considerations to guarantee an effective and prepared military force. Although specific details may vary and are subject to change based on government policies and operational needs, the Puerto Rico State Guard Command uses the following criteria:
- (1) Capabilities and Missions: The structure of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command is designed to fulfill the missions and responsibilities assigned by the Puerto Rico Government. This may include tasks such as disaster response, humanitarian assistance, civil security, and support to security forces in emergencies.
- (2) Specializations and Units: The composition of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command can include specialized units trained for specific areas such as medicine, engineering, communications, and special operations such as search and rescue. These units are equipped and trained to perform specialized functions according to the needs of the state.

- (3) Adaptability: The Puerto Rico State Guard Command military structure must be flexible enough to adapt to different types of emergencies and crises situations. The ability to quickly mobilize resources and personnel in response to various threats is essential.
- (4) Ongoing Training: All members of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command must undergo regular training to maintain and improve their skills. This includes emergency drills, tactical and operational practices, and continuing education to be prepared for any emergency.
- (5) *Effective Leadership*: The structure should include clear and effective leadership at all levels, from senior officers to smaller unit leaders. Strong leadership is essential for making quick and accurate decisions in emergencies.
- (6) Coordination with Civilian Agencies: The Puerto Rico State Guard Command must be structured so that it can effectively coordinate its operations with the Puerto Rico Government, federal agencies, such as emergency services, hospitals, and humanitarian aid organizations, for a joint and coordinated response in the event of disasters or crisis.
- (7) Equipment and Resources: The structure must ensure that the Puerto Rico State Guard Command is adequately equipped with the necessary resources, including Personnel Protective Equipment (PPE), vehicles, communications, medical equipment, and other specialized equipment to carry out its missions effectively.
- **1-8. Major Subordinate Command.** The Puerto Rico State Guard Command is made up of three Major Subordinate Commands (MSC) each one with specific functions and responsibilities.
- a. Multifunctional Support Brigade: The Multifunctional Support Brigade (MFSB) of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command consists of the Multifunctional Support Brigade Headquarters Detachment, Military Police Battalion (MP), Engineering Battalion (EN), and the Civil Support Battalion (CSB). These Battalions are composed of four units (Company) per Battalion. Each Company is attached to a Puerto Rico Army National Guard (PRARNG) Regional Joint Task Force authorized in accordance with the Joint Operation Plan (JOPLAN).
- b. The Medical Command: The Medical Command of the Puerto Rico State Guard comprises the Medical Command Headquarters Detachment and four Medical Company Area Support (MCAS) units. These specialized medical units are attached to the Puerto Rico National Guard Regional Joint Task Forces in accordance with the Joint Operation Plan (JOPLAN).
- c. The Air Base Group: The Air Base Group (ABG) of the Puerto Rico State Guard comprises the Headquarters Detachment, Mission Support Squadron, and the Medical Squadron. Situated at Muñiz Air National Guard Base.

### 1-9. Joint Operation Plan (JOPLAN).

- a. The Puerto Rico National Guard (PRNG), including the Puerto Rico Army National Guard (PRARNG), Puerto Rico Air National Guard (PRANG), and the Puerto Rico State Guard Command (PRSG), Directorate of Military Support (DOMS) conducts operations in support of the Government of Puerto Rico as stipulated under state/federal laws and regulations.
- b. The ongoing responsibilities of the PRNG/DOMS include those measures that prepare PRNG forces and protect the citizens of Puerto Rico. The Adjutant General of Puerto Rico (TAG) has prepared this plan in accordance with provisions under the laws of the Government of Puerto Rico and in coordination with the Office of the Governor of Puerto Rico and the Director of the Puerto Rico Emergency Management Bureau (PREMB).
- c. This plan is fully coordinated with and nested within the State's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan. The PRNG's strategy, goals, and objectives are embedded in those tenets established in the U.S. National Security Strategy (NSS) as well as in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. The overall strategic mission goal of the PRNG is to support the Puerto Rico Government and federal agencies in protecting life and property as well as preserving peace, order, and public safety during natural disasters, state emergencies, and civil unrest. In performing this mission, the PRNG prepares for and responds to a wide variety of natural disasters, state emergencies, and civil disturbances. Potential disasters that could affect Puerto Rico include events such as hurricanes, earthquakes, wildfires, floods, and pandemics. Terrorist attacks directed against the citizens of Puerto Rico and/or conducted in our homeland are and will continue to be an ever-present threat.

### 1-10. Puerto Rico National Guard Task Force.

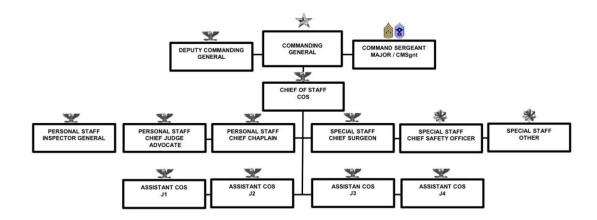
a. The Puerto Rico National Guard /Directorate of Military Support (PRNG/DOMS) geographic area of responsibility encompasses the geographic land mass of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, its interior waterways, seaports, and offshore waters to 30 miles and includes all lands, facilities, and infrastructure except those properties designated as federal installations. Federal properties within the commonwealth of Puerto Rico remain under federal jurisdiction and are only subject to action by PRNG forces whose mission falls under a Title 10 status or when appropriate state/federal mutual aid agreements are in place. This Area of Responsibility (AOR) is further divided into five (5) Task Forces (TFs) performing responsibilities as specified in this Plan. b. The Puerto Rico State Guard Command is integrated as a fundamental component of the five Joint Task Forces of the PRNG. The organic units of the State Guard will play a strategic role by providing Military Police, Engineering, Civil Support, Medical Support, and other units within this joint task structure. This military setup will bolster our operational capabilities, ensuring effectiveness in carrying out missions for the security and well-being of our territory.

# Chapter 2 Series 22-1. 001 Joint Force Headquarters.

### 2-1. Function and Organization of Puerto Rico State Guard 001 Joint Force Headquarters.

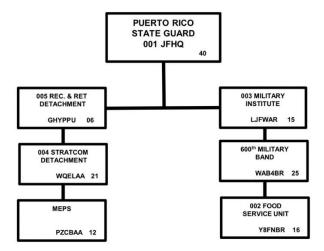
- a. Function and Organization of Puerto Rico State Guard 001 Joint Force Headquarters: The specific functions of the PRSG Joint Force Headquarters (JFHQ) may vary over time and operational needs. However, generally, the primary function is to provide unified command and coordination for all operations, missions, and strategies of the Puerto Rico State Guard in emergencies, natural disasters, or humanitarian missions.
- b. The main function of the PRSG Joint Force Headquarters includes but is not limited to:
- (1) *Unified Command:* The PRSG JFHQ coordinates the operations of all PRSG units, including the army and air force, with the Puerto Rico National Guard (PRNG) under unified command to achieve established objectives.
- (2) Resource Coordination: The PRSG JFHQ is responsible for coordinating and allocating available human and material resources for assigned missions, ensuring an effective and efficient distribution.
- (3) *Operational Planning:* It develops operational plans to respond to various emergencies, natural disasters, and military missions. This encompasses planning strategies, tactics, and logistics to ensure an effective and coordinated response.
- (4) *Community Support:* During natural disasters or emergencies, the PRSG JFHQ works closely with emergency response agencies and other organizations to provide support to affected communities.

Figure 1-1. Joint Force Headquarters, Organization Chart.



- **2-3. Function and Organization of Separate Units:** The Puerto Rico State Guard Command has Separate Units or Detachments that support the organic units of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command. Generally, these compact military units specialize in a specific task and are under the Command and Control of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command Joint Forces Headquarters (JFHQ), these are and are not limited to –
- a. Strategic Communications Detachment: The Strategic Communication is a specialized unit in providing technological support through internet networks, Satellite Radio Communications, Cyber Security and provide support in the collection of information and facilitate its distribution to the media.
- b. Military Institute: The Military Institute bears the responsibility of educating all personnel within the Puerto Rico State Guard Command, spanning across Enlisted ranks, Warrant Officers, and Commissioned Officers, encompassing all hierarchical tiers.
- c. Recruitment and Retention Detachment: The Recruitment and Retention Detachment is a specialized unit that recruits honorable citizens who are willing and able to support the Puerto Rico State Guard Command and be deployed in times of emergency. d. Military Band: The military Band is a unit to perpetuate the identity of military service, uphold military traditions, and boost morale through the rendering of fallen honors.
- e. Food Service Unit: The Puerto Rico State Guard Command-Food Service Unit has vital functions: preparing nutritious and balanced meals, ensuring timely and safe food distribution, maintaining high standards of hygiene and food safety, managing inventories, and training personnel. These responsibilities are fundamental to the well-being and performance of troops in military operations.
- f. Military Entrance Processing Station: The Military Entrance Processing Station (MEPS) of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command evaluates, examines, and process recruits interested in joining the armed forces take place. MEPS plays a pivotal role in assessing the fitness and qualifications of future military service members, ensuring a rigorous and precise recruitment process. MEPS is not an Organic Unit of the Puerto Rico State Guard Command.

Figure 1-2. Separate Units, Organization Chart.



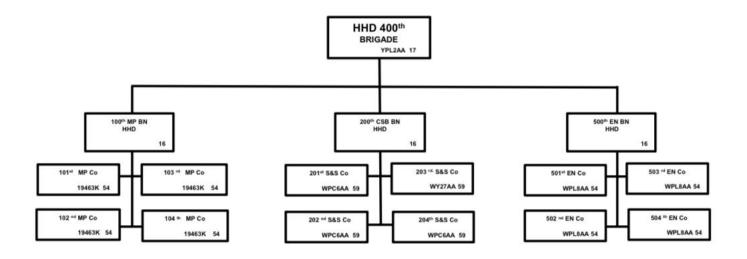
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### Series 22-4. 400<sup>Th</sup> Multifunctional Support Brigade.

### 3-1. Function and Organization of 400th Multifunctional Support Brigade

- a. Function and Organization of the 400<sup>th</sup> Multifunctional Support Brigade and Headquarters Detachment (HHD): The 400<sup>th</sup> Multifunctional Support Brigade (MFSB) of the Puerto Rico State Guard is composed of three Battalions and Headquarters Detachment (HHD).
- (1) *Headquarters Detachment:* The 400<sup>th</sup> MFSB Headquarters Detachment is the command-and-control center of military operations. It acts as the strategic epicenter where missions and operations of the command are planned, coordinated, and supervised. Its main task is to direct and organize the military forces to fulfill the assigned missions.
- (2) *Military Police Battalion:* The 100<sup>th</sup> Military Police Battalion (MP) is made up of four Military Police companies and a Headquarters Detachment (HHD), strategically located in the Puerto Rico National Guard (PRNG) task forces to support transit operations, security, among other areas.
- (3) Civil Support Battalion: The 200<sup>th</sup> Civil Support Battalion (CSB) is composed of four Service and Support companies, and one Headquarters Detachment (HHD), strategically located in the Puerto Rico National Guard (PRNG) task forces to support field operations such as RSA, including without limitation, humanitarian assistance and help in crisis situations among others.
- (4) Engineering Battalion: The 500<sup>th</sup> Engineering Battalion (EN) is made up of four Engineering companies and one Headquarters Detachment (HHD), strategically located in the Puerto Rico National Guard (PRNG) task forces to support construction operations, conduct Impact Damage Assessment operations, perform Critical Infrastructure Risk Assessment, carry out heavy equipment operations, vertical engineering, and logistical support in various situations, including the construction of temporary infrastructure and road maintenance between missions.

Figure 1-3. Multifunctional Support Brigade, Organization Chart.



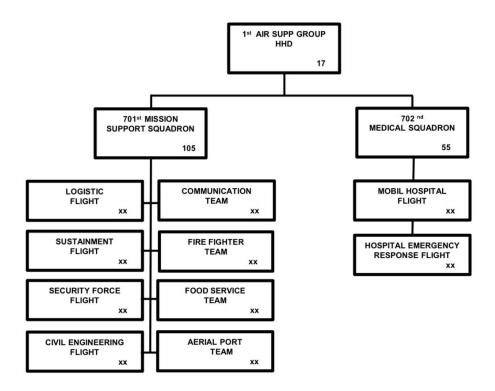
### Chapter 4

### Series 22-7. 1st Air Base Group.

### 4-1. Function and Organization of 1st Air Base Group.

- a. Function and Organization of the 1<sup>st</sup> Air Base Group and Headquarters Detachment (HHD): The 1<sup>st</sup> Air Base Group is made up of two Squadrons and Headquarters Detachment (HHD).
- (1) *Headquarters Detachment:* The Headquarters Detachment is the command-and-control center of military operations. It acts as the strategic epicenter where missions and operations of the command are planned, coordinated, and supervised. Its main task is to direct and organize the military forces to fulfill the assigned missions.
- (2) Mission Support Squadron: The Mission Support Squadron (MSS) comprises four flights, a Logistics Flight, a Sustainment Flight, a Security Forces Flight, a Civil Engineering Flight, and four special teams, an Aerial Port Team, a Fire Fighter Team, a Food Service Team, and a Communications Team. The MMS is strategically located in the Puerto Rico Air National Guard (PRANG) Metropolitan Task Forces, located at Muñiz Air National Guard Base, Carolina, Puerto Rico.
- (3) Medical Squadron: The Medical Squadron specializes in providing Mobile Medical Operations (Shelters), Hospital Emergency Response Team for Mass Casualty Incidents (HERT), offering training for the Search and Extraction Team, medical care in various areas, such as minor surgery, minor trauma, primary care, and treatment of common diseases as well as other medical support missions. The Medical Squadron is strategically located in the Puerto Rico Air National Guard (PRANG) Metropolitan Task Force, located at Muñiz Air National Guard Base, Carolina, Puerto Rico.

Figure 1-4. Air Base Group, Organization Chart.



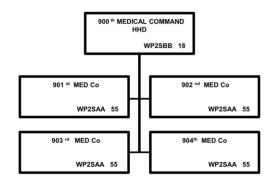
### **Chapter 5**

### Series 22-9. 900th Medical Command.

### 5-1. Function and Organization of 900th Medical Command.

- a. Function and Organization of the 900<sup>th</sup> Medical Command and Headquarters Detachment (HHD): The Medical Command of Puerto Rico State Guard is made up of a Headquarters Detachment (HHD) and four Medical Company Area Support (MCAS), strategically located in the Puerto Rico National Guard (PRNG) task forces to support medical operations and Headquarters Detachment (HHD).
- (1) *Headquarters Detachment*: The Headquarters Detachment is the command-and-control center of military operations. It acts as the strategic epicenter where missions and operations of the command are planned, coordinated, and supervised. Its main task is to direct and organize the military forces to fulfill the assigned missions.
- (2) Medical Companies: The Medical Companies Area Support (MCAS) are strategically located in the Puerto Rico National Guard (PRNG) task forces and specialize in providing Mobile Medical Operations (Shelters), Hospital Emergency Response Team for Mass Casualty Incidents (HERT), Offering training for the Search and Extraction team, medical care in various areas, such as minor surgery, minor trauma, primary care, and treatment of common diseases as well as other medical support missions.

Figure 1-5. Medical Command, Organization Chart.



# Appendix A References

### Section I

### **Required Publications**

Unless otherwise stated, all PRSG publications are available on the Puerto Rico State Guard Serially Numbered Issuance website at https://www.prsg.us, Puerto Rico state-guard-policies-and-regulations.

### **Section II Related Publications**

### 13-300

Puerto Rico State Guard Equal Opportunity (EO) and Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Policy.

### Puerto Rico Military Code Century XXI

Law Number 88 of August 8, 2023.

### **PRSG Regulation 10-0 Series**

TDA and UMD Position and Vacancy Board

### **Section III Prescribed Related**

### **DA Form 2028**

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### **Section IV Referenced**

### DD Form 214

Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty

### Glossary

### Section I Abbreviations

# 1ABG

1st Air Base Group

### $\mathbf{C}\mathbf{G}$

Commanding General

### **CSB**

Civil Support Battalion

### **DOMS**

Directorate of Military Support

### **FEMA**

Federal Emergency Management Agency

### HHD

Headquarters Detachment

### **JFHQ**

Joint Forces Headquarters

### **JOPLAN**

Joint Operation Plan

### **JTF**

Joint Task Force

### **MCAS**

Medical Company Area Support

### MC

Medical Command

### **MEPS**

Military Entrance Processing Station

### **MFSB**

Multifunctional Support Brigade

### MSC

Major Subordinate Command

### NSS

National Security Strategic

### **PREMB**

Puerto Rico Emergency Management Bureau

### **PRANG**

Puerto Rico Air National Guard

### **PRNG**

Puerto Rico National Guard

### **PRSG**

Puerto Rico State Guard

### **PPE**

Personnel Protective Equipment

### TAG

The Adjutant General