(b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA

From: (b)(6) Col OSD LA
Sent: Monday, June 04, 2007 12:42 PM
To: 'King, Kay'
Cc: 'McKinney, Janice'; (b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA
Subject: FW: Speaker travel guidelines

Kay, FYI. v/r (b)(6)

-----Original Message-----
From: Fernandez, Micaela [mailto:Micaela.Fernandez@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 01, 2007 6:48 PM
To: (b)(6) Col OSD LA
Subject: Speaker travel guidelines

(b)(6):

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Thank you, Micaela

Micaela J. Fernandez

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[redacted], CIV, OSD-LA

From: [redacted] Col OSD LA
Sent: Tuesday, June 05, 2007 11:09 AM
To: 'Fernandez, Micaela'
Cc: Wilkie, Robert, HON., OSD-LA; 'King, Kay'; 'McKinney, Janice'
Subject: RE: Speaker travel guidelines
Attachments: ASD-LA Letter, March 29, 2007.pdf

Micaela, on the issue of adult children of married Members of Congress traveling on CODELs on the existing authority for CODEL travel (31 USC 1108g), our position remains as stated in Mr. Wilkie's March 29th letter to the Speaker (attached). This is consistent with our existing DoD Directive, 4515.12, DOD Support for Travel of Members and Employees of the Congress.

As I mentioned in our conversation, we will continue to honor the long-standing practice of adult children of unmarried Members traveling for protocol purposes when authorized by the Speaker or a Full Standing Committee Chairman.

Thanks for checking with us on this issue.

Best regards, [redacted]

[redacted], Colonel, USAF
Military Assistant

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[redacted] Washington D.C. 20301-1300
Office: [redacted] DSN: [redacted]
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(b)(6), Mary, CIV, OSD-LA

From: McKinney, Janice [Janice.McKinney@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 2:39 PM
To: (b)(6) Col OSD LA
Cc: (b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA
Subject: RE: question please

Thank you both. Interesting article in the HILL today.

-----Original Message-----
From: (b)(6) Col OSD LA [mailto:(b)(2)
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 2:32 PM
To: McKinney, Janice
Cc: (b)(6), CIV, OSD-LA
Subject: RE: question please

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There is no authority in our Directive to fly Members' spouses without the Member.

I hope this is responsive to your concerns. Let us know if you need anything further.

Thanks, (b)(6)

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From: McKinney, Janice [mailto:Janice.McKinney@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 12:50 PM
To: (b)(6) Col OSD LA; (b)(6), CIV, OSD-LA
Subject: question please

Can you please give me the law/rule that states that a spouse may not get on a military plane without the Member? Thanks!

(b)(6), CIV, OSD-LA

From: (b)(6) Col OSD LA
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 5:07 PM
To: 'Raimo, Bernard'
Subject: RE: Voice mail

Bernie, I understand (b)(6) sent you the information. Let me know if you have any questions.
Thanks, (b)(6)

(b)(6), Colonel, USAF
Military Assistant

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From: Raimo, Bernard [mailto:Bernard.Raimo@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2007 2:24 PM
To: (b)(6) Col OSD LA
Subject: Voice mail

Sorry I missed your call back. All I am looking for now is the language of section C2.2.16 (Civilians who Are Eligible Passengers) of DOD Reg 4515.13-R . Could you email it or fax it (61600). Thanks.

Bernie

Bernard Raimo
Counsel to the Speaker
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(b)(6), CIV, OSD-LA

From: McKinney, Janice [Janice.McKinney@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2007 10:39 AM
To: Merrill, Debbie; Lis, John; King, Kay; '(b)(6) Lt Col OLA, RYBB'
Subject: RE: DoD Directive

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(b)(6), thanks for your help on this!

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To: McKinney, Janice
Subject: RE: DoD Directive

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Thanks,

Debbie

From: McKinney, Janice
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 11:57 AM
To: Lis, John; McKinney, Janice; King, Kay; Tucker, Tom; Ross, Tommy; Merrill, Debbie
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(b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA

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Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2007 4:38 PM
To: (b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA
Subject: RE: DoD Directive

She's in her 30s I believe

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From: (b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA [mailto (b)(2)
Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2007 4:23 PM
To: McKinney, Janice
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Janice,

We've gone back to the Navy and asked them to pursue reimbursement for the travel of Rep Farr's daughter. We will not be granting a waiver.
I'm assuming she's an adult daughter (18 or older).

(b)(6)

-----Original Message-----
From: McKinney, Janice [mailto:Janice.McKinney@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2007 11:15 AM
To: (b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA
Subject: RE: DoD Directive

Codel Price.....

-----Original Message-----
From: (b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA [mailto: (b)(2)
Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2007 11:13 AM
To: McKinney, Janice
Subject: Re: DoD Directive

Thanks Janice. What trip is this for?

(b)(6)

-----Original Message-----
From: McKinney, Janice <Janice.McKinney@mail.house.gov>
To: Merrill, Debbie <Debbie.Merrill@mail.house.gov>; Lis, John <John.Lis@mail.house.gov>; King, Kay <Kay.King@mail.house.gov>; (b)(6) Lt Col OLA, RYBB'
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(b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA

From: (b)(6) Col OSD LA
Sent: Friday, September 28, 2007 1:00 PM
To: (b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA
Subject: RE: Rep Snyder (UNCLASSIFIED)

Yes, I did. But as I explained to Kay, this is our policy.

-----Original Message-----
From: (b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA
Sent: Friday, September 28, 2007 9:33 AM
To: (b)(6) Col OSD LA
Subject: FW: Rep Snyder (UNCLASSIFIED)
Importance: High

(b)(6)

FYI. I'm not sure if you saw this.

(b)(6)

-----Original Message-----
From: (b)(6) Ms OCLL
Sent: Friday, September 28, 2007 9:28 AM
To: (b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA
Subject: FW: Rep Snyder (UNCLASSIFIED)
Importance: High

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: FOUO

Just fyi below. I know it's OBE but wanted to share with you what JL in Speaker's office advised Rep Snyder.

-----Original Message-----
From: (b)(6) LTC OCLL
Sent: Friday, September 21, 2007 12:09 PM
To: (b)(6) Col OSD LA
Cc: (b)(6) Ms OCLL; (b)(6) Ms OCLL; (b)(6) LTC OCLL
Subject: Rep Snyder (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

Sir: Regarding our earlier conversation - I spoke to Dan Madden in Snyder's office who said his CofS spoke to John Lawrence in the Speaker's office about the Congressman's child riding back to DC from Little Rock with him next week. According to him, the Speaker's office is ok with the child being with the Rep. I told him I would confirm with you before committing.

(b)(6)

LTC (b)(6)
U.S. Army Congressional Liaison

(b)(6)
Cell: (b)(6)
Fax: (b)(2)
(b)(2)

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Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House

June 3, 2009

The Honorable Robert M. Gates
Secretary
U.S. Department of Defense
Washington, DC 20301

Dear Mr. Secretary:

This is in further reference to my letter of June 2, 2009, regarding Codel Pastor to Seattle, Washington during the approximate period of June 5-7, 2009. In addition to those previously listed, please note that (b)(6) has been invited to travel with the delegation.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Nancy Pelosi

NANCY PELOSI
Speaker

cc: The Honorable Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk
U.S. House of Representatives

Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House

June 4, 2009

The Honorable Robert M. Gates
Secretary of Defense
The Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to the procedure you suggested in the past, I am writing to notify you of my intention to use the waiver authority inherent in the Speaker's travel policies to authorize the travel of [(b)(6)] to accompany Representative Jared Polis on a congressional delegation scheduled June 5-7, 2009. I request that you in turn use your waiver authority to facilitate [(b)(6)] participation in the delegation.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter and for your continued leadership for our country.

best regards,

Nancy Pelosi

NANCY PELOSI
Speaker of the House

THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON, DC 20301-1300

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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Madam Speaker:

As you know, my office is responsible for management of the Congressional travel program and has been working closely with your staff on a number of matters over the past several months. We have sought to develop a regular order in our collective administration of the CODEL program and to ensure your staff has our best advice. John Lawrence, Mike Sheehy, and Bernie Raimo, in particular, have familiarized themselves with this important program and have worked cooperatively with my staff. I'm pleased that the transition to the 110th Congress has been constructive and collegial, and I thank you for your courtesy in this matter.

I am writing to address two concerns we have with the guidelines you issued to your Committee Chairs. In your January 23, 2007 letter, two of your guidelines contain provisions that either are only partially being followed or impose on the Department of Defense obligations that are contrary to our regulations.

The first issue concerns travel of adult children of Members for protocol purposes. Your letter states: "*If a member of the committee does not have a spouse, an adult child of the member may be authorized to travel for protocol purposes only.*" Currently, this rule is being partially observed insofar as adult children of married Members of Congress have been authorized to travel. To clarify our position, in the future if authorized by the Speaker or a Committee Chair to travel on CODELs for protocol purposes, it will be DoD policy to require that adult children of married Members of Congress reimburse the Treasury of the United States at the unrestricted coach air fare and that all other costs are at no expense to the government (e.g., hotels, meals, tips, ground transportation, etc.).

Second, we are concerned that private citizens are now authorized to travel on CODELs on your approval. Your letter states, "*Authorization for an adult who is not the spouse or adult child of a member of the committee to travel with a member for protocol purposes may be provided by the Speaker.*" In practice, this will allow private citizens to travel on an appropriation that specifically was intended for Members and employees of the Congress. Private citizens may travel on CODELs only when such transportation is determined to be in the overall official interest of the Department of Defense and the Secretary of Defense issues an invitation.

We have supported the Congress with Secretary of Defense invitations under this rule on a number of occasions in the past, to include Presidentially-directed missions, mission-essential delegates to national security conferences, NATO Parliamentary Assembly visits, and Military Service Academy Board of Visitor meetings, among others. We will continue to operate under these guidelines. If we determine that it is appropriate to issue a Secretary of Defense invitation, upon your request, we will then determine whether it will be on a reimbursable basis to the Treasury of the United States at the unrestricted coach fare or on a nonreimbursable basis.

We look forward to continuing to build on our positive relationship in managing the CODEL travel program and hope that your staff will feel free to contact us if you have any questions on these matters.

Sincerely,

R. L. Wilkie

Robert L. Wilkie
Assistant Secretary of Defense
(Legislative Affairs)

[redacted], CIV, OSD-LA

From: [redacted] Col OSD LA
Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2007 10:25 AM
To: [redacted], CIV, OSD-LA
Subject: FW: Jerry Moran daughter on Codel Hoyer

-----Original Message-----
From: [redacted] Col OSD LA
Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2007 10:11 AM
To: 'McKinney, Janice'
Subject: RE: Jerry Moran daughter on Codel Hoyer

Janice, DoD Directives for Congressional travel and even DoD "official travel" prohibit dependents from traveling unless specifically authorized and carefully controlled.

For Congress, DoD Directive 4515.12 prohibits travel of dependents of members and employees of Congress on military carriers. Exceptions may be made by the Secretary of Defense to permit dependents -- with or without reimbursement -- when essential to the proper accomplishment of the mission, desirable because of diplomatic or public relations, or necessary for the health of the principal. The directive grants OSD the discretion to determine when reimbursement is appropriate. We have accepted the long-standing practice of adult children of unmarried Members accompanying for official protocol purposes, and will continue to do so. For travel of adult children of married members, the Department will ask that they reimburse at the unrestricted coach fare.

For DoD required travelers, the controls for dependent travel is similar:

E2.2.3. Unofficial Travel. Such travel is by a family member, non-DoD civilian, or non-Federal traveler only when accompanying a senior DoD or other Federal official who is traveling on a military aircraft on official business. This category of travel differs from the space available privilege in DoD 4515.13-R, Chapter 6 (reference (g)) since it is limited to travel in the company of a senior DoD official and is reimbursable by the traveler at the full coach fare, as required by OMB Circular A-126 (reference (b)). Such unofficial travel is not authorized on MilAir unless the aircraft is already scheduled for an official purpose; this noninterference use does not require a larger aircraft than needed for the official purpose; official travelers are not displaced; it results in negligible additional cost to the Government; and the Government is reimbursed at the full-coach fare (the senior DoD official shall attach to his or her travel voucher a personal check made payable to the Treasurer of the United States and shall include a travel office printout that reflects the full-coach fare). Unofficial travel shall be carefully controlled by requiring approval in advance and in writing by the approval officials in section E2.4., below. "Required use" travelers shall approve all unofficial travelers who accompany them, provided that the travel is in compliance with this paragraph.

I hope this helps. John states it well below: the permission to travel -- extended by the Speaker or a Committee Chair -- does not waive an obligation to repay. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best regards, [redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: McKinney, Janice [mailto:Janice.McKinney@mail.house.gov
<mailto:Janice.McKinney@mail.house.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, March 28, 2007 6:37 PM
To: (b)(6) Col OSD LA
Subject: FW: Jerry Moran daughter on Codel Hoyer

Can you please clarify this for me?

Thanks! Or correct me if I am wrong again.....

-----Original Message-----
From: Lawrence, John (Speaker)
Sent: Wednesday, March 28, 2007 6:34 PM
To: McKinney, Janice
Cc: Sheehy, Mike
Subject: RE: Jerry Moran daughter on Codel Hoyer

Clarify for me: we do allow an adult child to travel in lieu of a spouse. What is the code reference requiring reimbursement? We didn't address that issue, as I recall, and we should be clear to people if there is a reimbursement requirement so they don't think that the permission to accompany waives the obligation to repay.

From: McKinney, Janice
Sent: Wednesday, March 28, 2007 6:26 PM
To: Sheehy, Mike; Lawrence, John (Speaker); King, Kay
Subject: Jerry Moran daughter on Codel Hoyer

The Speaker has authorized Jerry Moran's adult daughter (Mr. Moran does have a spouse) to accompany Mr. Moran on Codel Hoyer. THIS WAS PROBABLY AN INTERPRETATION MISTAKE ON MY PART AND I HAVE ADMITTED THAT TO THE APPROPRIATE PEOPLE.

However, Robert Willkie will be contacting you all tomorrow to communicate that if this is being allowed, the daughter must reimburse at the coach rate for accompanying the Codel. This has something to do with the US Code that authorizes congressional travel.

Mr. Moran does not understand why, if the plane is going anyway, what difference another passenger will make. I have asked (b)(6) to call Tyler Lund on Mr. Moran's staff and clarify.

In case Mr. Moran calls for the Speaker I wanted you all to have the heads up.

(b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA

From: (b)(6) Col OSD LA
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2009 2:43 PM
To: 'King, Kay'; (b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA
Cc: McKinney, Janice
Subject: RE: Mr. Polis CODEL (U)
Signed By: (b)(6)

UNCLASSIFIED
Kay,
I talked to John Lawrence about this earlier today and he was going to talk with the Speaker about it this afternoon and get back to us.

V/R,
(b)(6)

Col (b)(6), USAF
Military Assistant
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To: King, Kay; McKinney, Janice
Cc: Branton, Brian; Parker, Wyndee
Subject: Mr. Polis CODEL

The Speaker approves a waiver for Mr. Polis' domestic partner, (b)(6), to participate in the upcoming CODEL, for protocol purposes.

John Lawrence

Chief of Staff

Speaker Nancy Pelosi

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(b)(6) **CIV, OSD-LA**

From: (b)(6) Col OSD LA
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2009 2:45 PM
To: 'King, Kay'; (b)(6) CIV, OSD-LA
Cc: McKinney, Janice
Subject: RE: Mr. Polis CODEL (U)
Signed By: (b)(6)

UNCLASSIFIED

Sorry about that -- did not read below -- we'll standby for the letter just like in the (b)(6) case last March, then I'll have something to be able to take to the SecDef for a decision.

V/R,
(b)(6)

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