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MEMORANDUM FOR ANG Wing Commanders

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SUBJECT: Air National Guard Additional Duty Unit Historians and Chronologies


Since the discontinuation of the Enlisted Historian AFSC, many of you have asked how units can continue to capture their history without a dedicated historian. (The manpower positions occupied by Enlisted Historians assigned to Air National Guard (ANG) units were transferred to stressed career fields.) Under the new concept of operations for the ANG history program approved by Lt Gen Daniel James III in July 2004, the primary responsibility for documenting the history of the Air Guard and preserving its heritage was transferred to our historians in the National Guard Bureau (NGB).

To help fill the resulting void in historical coverage at each wing, I encourage each wing commander to assign an individual to become the unit's additional duty historian. This is the only method we have available to ensure all the history, heritage, challenges, and accomplishments of your unit will be properly documented.

To fill this position, I recommend you select a member with an extensive working knowledge of unit operations and plans. Commanders also have the option of using unit funds to hire contractors to document their organization's history and heritage.

Attached to this letter is a simplified format for additional duty unit historians to use in documenting significant events experienced by the organization, such as real world operations/deployments and changes in missions and weapons systems. The entire report consists of a chronology, three appendices, and the appropriate source documents. These reports will be submitted to NGB-PAH every six months as electronic files. Copies of those reports will be sent to the Air Force Historical Research Agency at Maxwell AFB, AL.

Please provide NGB-PAH with the name of the person you select as the additional duty historian. All information and questions regarding this program can be directed to the ANG History Field Program Manager, Mr. David P. Anderson, DSN 327-2669, Comm (703) 607-2669. His e-mail address is david.p.anderson2@us.army.mil.

  
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Attachment  
Chronology Template