NATIONAL GUARD HISTORY AND HERITAGE PROGRAM

References: See Enclosure A.

1. **Purpose.** This instruction establishes policy and assigns responsibilities for the National Guard (NG) History and Heritage Program in accordance with (IAW) the references.

2. **Cancellation.** None.

3. **Applicability.** This instruction applies to all NG personnel involved in history, heritage, museum, and curatorial activities. Unless the context indicates otherwise, in this issuance the term "National Guard" means the Army National Guard (ARNG), the Air National Guard (ANG), the Army National Guard of the United States (ARNGUS), and the Air National Guard of the United States (ANGUS), consistent with reference a.

4. **Policy.** It is National Guard Bureau (NGB) policy to collect, preserve, and disseminate NG history and heritage.

5. **Definitions.** See Glossary.

6. **Responsibilities.**

   a. **The Adjutants General and the Commanding General of the District of Columbia.** The Adjutants General and the Commanding General of the District of Columbia should establish a Command History Office and designate a Command Historian to prepare an annual Command History Report IAW references d, e, g, h, and l.

   b. **NGB History Office.** The NGB History Office will:

      (1) Serve as the authority for the NG History and Heritage Program.

      (2) Coordinate and synchronize all NGB and NG history and heritage activities.

      (3) Serve as the history and heritage advisor to the Chief of the National Guard Bureau and Director of the Army National Guard and provide historical research.
services to the Office of the Chief of the NGB, NGB Joint Staff, NGB Army Staff, and NG Joint Force Headquarters-State.

(4) Collect, organize, analyze, and safeguard primary source unclassified and classified documents related to the activities of the NGB, ARNG, and ARNGUS.

(5) Research and write an unclassified Office of the Chief of the National Guard Bureau Quarterly Command History Report. The report will include a chronology, a narrative, and notes dictated by the Chief or Vice Chief of the National Guard Bureau.

(6) Research and write a classified or unclassified NGB Annual Command History Report. The report will include a chronology, a narrative, and significant documents as identified by the NGB Historian.

(7) Research and write contingency history reports of NG operations for major domestic operations and homeland defense missions.

(8) Maintain a Historical Reference Collection of NGB, ARNG, and ARNGUS classified and unclassified materials including:

(a) The organizational history of NGB, ARNG, and ARNGUS.

(b) The lineage and honors records of NGB and ARNGUS.

(c) The heraldry records of NGB and ARNGUS.

(d) Operational history of NGB and ARNG.

(e) Operational history of ARNGUS for domestic and homeland missions.

(9) Research and write books, monographs, pamphlets, fact sheets, and papers to support the operational mission of the NG.

(10) Coordinate joint NG history and heritage requirements with the Joint Chiefs of Staff History Office.

(11) Serve as a member of the Joint Historical Advisory Committee IAW reference c.

(12) Coordinate ARNGUS history and heritage requirements with the Army Center for Military History IAW reference e.

(13) Coordinate the lineage and honors of all ARNGUS units with the Army Center for Military History.
(14) Coordinate heraldry for NGB and ARNGUS units with The Institute of Heraldry.

(15) Serve as the functional managers for NG Joint Force Headquarters-State, ARNG Headquarters, NG Army Historians, curators, and museum professionals, and NG Air Force curators and museum professionals.

(16) Manage ARNGUS field history programs, including the training of ARNG Military History Detachments and NG Joint Force Headquarters-State Command Historians.

(17) Provide guidance for and oversight of NG museums and historical collections in the States and coordinate the activities of ARNG and ANG museums in the States with the Departments of the Army and the Air Force IAW references f, g, i, and j.

(18) Coordinate with the United States Property and Fiscal Officer as the Artifact Responsible Officer for each State, Territory, and the District of Columbia IAW reference m.

(19) Represent NGB within the Department of Defense and to other government agencies and non-government organizations on all NG history and heritage matters.

c. ANG History Office. The ANG History Office will:

(1) Serve as the principal history and heritage advisor to the Director of the Air National Guard, the Director of NGB Space Operations, the Commander of the ANG Readiness Center, and ANG air units and space units.

(2) Provide historical support to the Office of the Director of the Air National Guard, Office of the Director of Space Operations leadership, and ANG air units and space units.

(3) Collect, organize, analyze, and safeguard primary source unclassified and classified documents related to the activities of the ANG air units and space units IAW reference h.

(4) Research and write the annual history of the ANG to include air operations and space operations.

(5) Research and write Contingency History Reports of ANG air operations and space operations for major Domestic Operations and Homeland Defense missions.

(6) Maintain a functioning vault for storage of classified material and a classified computer for researching, writing, and processing classified material pertaining to ANG air operations and space operations.
(7) Be the primary authority for ANG Heraldry by assisting ANG air units and space units with developing and approving emblem designs to meet Air Force emblem standards and coordinating directly with The Institute of Heraldry in approving unit emblems.

(8) Maintain the lineage and honors for all ANG air units and space units IAW reference k.

(9) Be the liaison between NG units and the National Museum of the United States Air Force regarding static aircraft displays at ANG air units and space units.

(10) Publish historical articles, pamphlets, books, and special studies.

(11) Maintain a reference library and archives.

(12) Manage the ANG air wing and space unit history program.

7. Summary of Changes. This is the initial publication of CNGBI 0650.00.

8. Releasability. This instruction is approved for public release; distribution is unlimited. It is available at <https://www.ngbpmc.ng.mil/>.

9. Effective Date. This instruction is effective upon publication and must be revised, reissued, canceled, or certified as current every five years.

Enclosures:

A -- References
GL -- Glossary
ENCLOSURE A

REFERENCES

PART I. REQUIRED


b. Department of Defense Directive 5105.77, 30 October 2015, “National Guard Bureau (NGB)”

c. Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Instruction 5320.01C, 30 November 2018, "Guidance for the Joint History Program"

d. Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Joint Publication 3-33, 31 January 2018, “Joint Task Force Headquarters”

e. Army Regulation 870-5, 16 September 2021, "Military History: Responsibilities, Policies, and Procedures"


g. Army Techniques Publication 1-20, 09 June 2014, "Military History Operations"

h. Department of the Air Force, Instruction 84-101, 13 December 2018, "Aerospace Historian Responsibilities and Management"


m. Chief of the National Guard Bureau Instruction 9501.01, 08 July 2021, “National Guard Bureau United States Property and Fiscal Officer Program”
PART II. RELATED

n. Army Field Manual 3-0, 06 December 2017, “Operations”

o. Army Regulation 670-1, 26 January 2021, “Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia”


GLOSSARY

PART I. ACRONYMS

ANG Air National Guard
ANGUS Air National Guard of the United States
ARNG Army National Guard
ARNGUS Army National Guard of the United States
IAW In accordance with
NG National Guard
NGB National Guard Bureau

PART II. DEFINITIONS

Command History Office -- A command history office is an independent office of a Commander’s special staff and are Service requirements in the United States Army at general officer commands and in the United States Air Force at Wing headquarters and superior commands. A command history office is staffed by a Command Historian and, based on the needs of the command, one or more additional professional Historians and appropriate support personnel, such as Archivists and museum personnel.

Command History Report -- A command history report is a summary of the operational highlights and activities of a unit or command for a specific reporting period. A command history report is directed by the commander and normally written and researched by a professional historian. Command history reports generally include a chronology, a narrative, and supporting primary source documents and may be classified as required.

National Guard Bureau -- The National Guard Bureau is a joint activity of the Department of Defense and includes the Office of the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, Office of the Director of the Army National Guard, Office of the Director of the Air National Guard, National Guard Bureau Space Operations, and the National Guard Bureau Joint, Army, and Air Staffs.