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AR 614-142, 20 January 1967, is changed as follows:

✓ Page 2, paragraph 5. Subparagraph c is added as follows:

✓ c. The provisions of a(13) above may be waived on an individual basis. Requests for waiver will be accompanied by complete justification; final approving authority rests with the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence.

✓ Page 7. Appendix B is superseded as follows:

APPENDIX B

FOREIGN AREA SPECIALIST TRAINING PROGRAM AREAS

Area	Language	First phase (Language training)	Second phase (Academic area studies)	Third phase
AFRICA:				
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Central Tropical Africa.....	French.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS university.	OUSDA host country.
East Central Africa.....	French.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS university.	OUSDA host country.
Southern Africa.....	French.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS university.	OUSDA host country.
EUROPE:				
Germany.....	German.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS university.	OUSDA host country.
Northern Slavic Europe.....	(*).....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS university.	Det "R", OACSI, Garmisch, Germany.
Southeast Europe.....	(*).....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS university.	OUSDA host country.
Western Europe/North Africa...	French.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS university.	OUSDA host country.
Russia.....	Russian.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS university.	Det "R", OACSI, Garmisch, Germany.
LATIN AMERICA:				
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Central America.....	Spanish.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS university.	OUSDA host country.
Northern South America ¹	Spanish.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS university.	OUSDA host country.
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ASIA:				
China.....	Chinese(M).....	DLI.....	Appropriate university. CONUS	TDC, Taiwan.
S. W. Pacific.....	Indonesian.....	DLI.....	Appropriate university. CONUS	OUSDA Indonesia.
Korea.....	Korean.....	DLI.....	Appropriate university. CONUS	OUSDA host country.
Thailand.....	Thai.....	DLI.....	Appropriate university. CONUS	OUSDA host country.
Vietnam.....	Vietnamese.....	DLI.....	Appropriate university. CONUS	HQ, US MACV.
South Asia.....	Hindi/Urdu.....	DLI.....	Appropriate university. CONUS	OUSDA India.
OTHER AREAS:				
Arab World.....	Arabic.....	DLI.....	Appropriate university. ⁴ Oversea	OUSDA Lebanon.
Greece.....	Greek.....	DLI.....	Appropriate university. CONUS	OUSDA host country.
Iran.....	Persian.....	DLI.....	Appropriate university. CONUS	OUSDA host country.
Turkey.....	Turkish.....	DLI.....	Appropriate university. CONUS	OUSDA host country.

Total overseas training tour is normally 3 years—approximately 2 years at a university and 1 year of individual study and travel in the Arab World.
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1. Purpose. This regulation establishes the Foreign Area Specialist Training Program (FASTP) for the identification, training, and utilization of officers to meet current and anticipated requirements of the Department of the Army and the Department of Defense for officers with detailed knowledge of foreign areas.

2. Scope. This program provides a career field for officers who are skilled in military matters and trained in the cultural and environmental aspects of a particular geographical area and its people.

3. Definition. A FASTP position is one which requires an officer with detailed knowledge of a specific foreign area, its people, their culture, and their language. Such a position must have been validated as requiring a graduate degree under the provisions of AR 621-108, or have been identified by the Chief of Personnel Operations as appropriate for a utilization tour for a FASTP member.

4. Responsibilities: *a.* The Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel promulgates policies governing this and other special career programs.

b. The Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence—

- (1) Provides technical assistance to the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel in the formulation of policy and in the de-

termination of standards for selection of program members.

(2) Administers, budgets for, and conducts oversea training incident to the program.

(3) Approves all entrants into the program from a security clearance standpoint.

c. The Chief of Personnel Operations operates the program within broad policy guidance of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel.

d. The Director of Officer Personnel, Office of Personnel Operations, exercises career development and assignment jurisdiction over officers participating in the program. Assignments will be in accordance with the Foreign Area Specialist Training Program career pattern in DA Pamphlet 600-3 and this regulation.

e. Major commanders or those commanders who submit officer personnel requisitions direct to Headquarters, Department of the Army, are responsible for validating FASTP positions in accordance with AR 621-108.

5. Prerequisites. *a.* All officers on active military service who meet the following criteria are eligible to participate in the program. Officers must—

- (1) Be in a branch other than Army Medical Service, Judge Advocate General's Corps, or Chaplains.

- (2) Be in the grade of captain, major, or lieu-

*This regulation supersedes AR 350-23, 17 May 1965.

tenant colonel with a minimum of 3 years' basic branch duty, to include duty with troops, and have completed or be scheduled to attend an appropriate branch advanced course. (Troop duty for officers of the technical and administrative services may include either detail with combat arms or duty with troop units of the appropriate technical or administrative service.)

- (3) Have served not more than 12 years of active Federal service on the date of entry into training for which selected.
- (4) Not have passed their 37th birthday prior to the date of entry into training.
- (5) Possess a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university and have demonstrated a high level of academic performance.
- (6) Meet medical fitness standards prescribed in paragraph 7-9d, AR 40-501. The officer and his family are required to undergo medical examinations as prescribed in paragraph 10-29b, AR 40-501 when he applies for this program. Additionally, medical examinations of the same scope will be accomplished prior to departure from the United States.
- (7) Have no information in Provost Marshal, Intelligence, official military personnel, or medical files which, in the opinion of the appropriate intelligence officer, would prevent the granting of a security clearance in accordance with AR 604-5. Additionally, applicant will be subjected to an extensive background investigation (normally takes from 6 to 9 months for completion).
- (8) Have attained a score of 22 or higher on the Army Language Aptitude Test or must be enrolled in or have successfully completed a course at the Defense Language Institute in the language pertinent to the area in which training is requested.
- (9) Have been accepted for retention on active duty under the provisions of AR 135-215 (for Reserve component officers only).
- (10) Agree to complete the prescribed training, and upon completion thereof, agree to remain on active duty for a period of not less than 4 years. Students incur the service obligation upon entry into any single phase of the training program in accordance with AR 350-100.
- (11) Have an above average record of military service. Because of the importance of FASTP, the number of applications normally received, and the relatively few selections made each year, only those individuals whose records indicate high manner of performance, professional knowledge, and the ability to work well with others will be selected.
- (12) Be free of marital difficulty and from abnormal family ties or business complications which might divert attention from military duty. Sound healthy family relationships are important attributes of the foreign area specialists. Foreign financial interests, foreign investments, and continual excessive personal indebtedness are possible causes for disqualification.
- (13) Be a U.S. citizen *by birth*. If married, the applicant's wife also must be a U.S. citizen *by birth*. Other members of the immediate family, including parents, foster-parents, step-parents, brothers, sisters, children, and members of the spouse's immediate family must be U.S. citizens, though not necessarily by birth. In addition, no member of the applicant's family and no person to whom the applicant may reasonably be supposed to be bound by ties of affection, kinship, or obligation may be a resident of a foreign country having basic or critical national interests opposed to the United States.
- (14) *Not* be a participant in another Army specialist program.
 - b.* The provisions of *a*(3) and (4) above may be waived in those exceptional cases where the applicant has already completed a portion of the necessary training or exhibits other outstanding qualifications for program participation.

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6. Applications.

a. Individual officers who meet the criteria listed in paragraph 5 may apply for participation in the program by submitting an application by letter or on DA Form 1049 (Per-

sonnel Action). The applicant's immediate military superior will indorse the application and forward it direct to the Chief of Personnel Operations, ATTN: OPD-

(Appropriate career branch)

Department of the Army, Washington, D.C. 20315, with statements as to the applicant's availability for the assignment and the raw score attained by the applicant on the Army Language Aptitude Test. All applications will be forwarded to Headquarters, Department of the Army, for final action. Applications may be submitted at any time and will be retained at Headquarters, Department of the Army until the officer is selected or rejected.

b. Each application will include—

- (1) A statement indicating a desire for foreign area specialist training to include reasons for desiring such training and any special qualifications which warrant special consideration. If married, a comment as to the spouse's educational and linguistic attainments is appropriate.
- (2) A listing of areas desired in order of preference (app. B). In addition, the applicant will indicate either that no other areas are acceptable, or that any other area for which he might be selected is acceptable.
- (3) A listing of all languages studied, to include institutions or places of study, inclusive dates of study, and degree of fluency in listening and reading comprehension now retained. If the applicant has been tested within the past one year, scores obtained on the Army Proficiency Tests (AR 611-6) will be included. If the applicant has not been so tested, and language tests are available, he will accomplish them prior to submitting his application.
- (4) A statement as follows:

If I am selected for the Foreign Area Specialist Training Program, I intend to complete the prescribed training and upon completion thereof will remain on active duty for a period of not less than 4 years. I hereby renounce any intention to resign, retire, or otherwise be relieved from active duty prior to 4 years subsequent to the completion of such training, unless I am relieved sooner from the program or from active duty for the convenience of the

Government. I understand that, if I successfully complete the prescribed training, I will be subject to alternating branch and specialist assignments which utilize this training throughout the remainder of my Army career.

(5) Inclosures as follows:

- (a) DD Form 398 (Statement of Personal History), completed in triplicate. Item 15 of DD Form 398 will list all addresses, including Government quarters on military reservations. Military unit designations should *not* be shown in column headed "Street and Number". Item 20, "Remarks," will include the names, dates of birth, places of birth, present addresses, and nationalities of both parents of spouse. Item 20 also will include the statement: "I have executed DD Form 98 satisfactorily." DD Form 398 is required to be submitted even though the applicant may have submitted one previously to Headquarters, Department of the Army, for some other purpose. Credit and character references must be other than those listed on a previous DD Form 398.
- (b) Accomplished FBI fingerprint card (FD-258).
- (c) A recent photograph of portrait type (about 2½ x 2½ inches) of the applicant, and if married, his spouse.
- (d) One copy of DA Form 3083-R Medical Examination for Certain Geographical Areas (para 10-29b (3), AR 40-501) accomplished under provisions of paragraph 5a (6).
- (e) Official transcripts of *all* college or university credits earned by the applicant to the date of application.
- (f) Request for retention on active duty under the provisions of AR 135-215 (for Reserve component officers only).
- (g) An applicant who applies while unmarried and subsequently marries will forward immediately a correction to his DD Form 398 and inclosures as listed in (c) and (d) above.
- (h) Graduate Record Examination Aptitude Test scores as reported by the Educational Testing Service, Princeton, N.J. Information pertaining to

this test may be obtained from the Educational Testing Service, Box 995, Princeton, N.J. 08540.

c. (1) Officers desiring to be designated foreign area specialists by virtue of prior training and experience may apply by submitting the documents required in *b*(5) (*a*) through (*f*) above and providing evidence of appropriate training and experience in the area of specialization desired. As a minimum, officers applying under the provisions of this paragraph must:

- (*a*) Be proficient (S3/R3) in the language of the country or area.
- (*b*) Have a master's degree in area studies related to the country or area of specialization, or another appropriate degree such as Political Science or International Relations.
- (*c*) Have served in an appropriate assignment (para 8*f*) within the country or area for minimum of 18 months.

(2) The Chief of Personnel Operations will, on an individual case basis, determine if the applicant's qualifications warrant acceptance. He will also determine what additional training, CONUS or in-country, may be required.

7. Entry into program. *a.* The Chief of Personnel Operations will, on a best qualified basis, select officers to participate in the program. The Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence will approve selections from the standpoint of security clearance.

b. Headquarters, Department of the Army will advise applicants of selection or nonselection as soon as final action is complete. Unit personnel officers will enter "Foreign Area Specialist (area)" in item 15, DA Form 66 (Officer Qualification Record) in accordance with paragraph 51, AR 611-103, for those officers selected for program participation.

c. Program strength ceilings may preclude the selection of some well qualified applicants. In order to minimize any possibility of misunderstanding or injustice to such officers, notice of nonselection will not be made a part of the officer's official military personnel file either in the field or at Headquarters, Department of the Army. It is the responsibility of the individual applicant, upon notice of nonselection, to have the copy of

his application removed from his field military personnel file.

8. Career development. *a.* Upon completion of FASTP (app A and B), officers will be assigned to carefully selected positions where this training may be utilized. Initial utilization tours are normally of 3 years' duration, preferably in the oversea area for which trained.

b. Subsequent development of each officer will be accomplished through increasingly important branch material and staff assignments. After an initial utilization assignment, FASTP utilization tours will alternate with basic branch qualifying assignments within the framework of branch career patterns. The objective is to produce fully qualified officers capable of filling both branch and FASTP positions. In every assignment action consideration will be given to overall requirements of the Army, individual preference, and the potential effect of the assignment on the officer's career.

c. Commanders will, consistent with accomplishment of their missions, insure that program members are utilized in consonance with the career development policies outlined in the preceding paragraph, both in initial and subsequent assignments within the command.

d. Officers participating in the program will receive equal consideration with their contemporaries for appropriate command assignments and for attendance at service schools and colleges and at civilian educational institutions.

e. The Officer Personnel Directorate, Office of Personnel Operations, will schedule program members for attendance at appropriate courses at Army schools and training activities and other appropriate single-service or joint courses in those cases where attendance appears necessary from a position requirement or career development standpoint.

f. Typical assignments in which FASTP graduates utilize their special training are in those positions which have been validated under provisions of AR 621-108 to require FASTP members; they include:

- (1) MAAG or mission in the area studied.
- (2) U.S. Army attaché or assistant attaché in the area in which specialized.
- (3) Special warfare activities such as special forces, psychological warfare, or civil affairs.

- (4) General staff or special staff, Headquarters, Department of the Army or major subordinate commands.
- (5) Instructor (in area studied) in a service school, including USMA.
- (6) Intelligence activities, including OACSI, DIA, or USAINTC.

9. Release from program. *a.* Officers may be released from the program for any of the following reasons:

- (1) Failure to demonstrate the desired progress in development, duty performance, interest, or aptitude.
- (2) Other reasons which indicate that further participation in the program is not warranted.

b. Notification of release from the program will be by Department of the Army letter. Unit per-

sonnel officers will delete "Foreign Area Specialist (area)" from item 15, DA Form 66 (Officer Qualification Record) in accordance with paragraph 51, AR 611-103.

10. Requisitions. *a.* Upon receipt of valid, properly annotated officer personnel requisitions, Headquarters, Department of the Army will select officers participating in the program for assignment to FASTP positions. If there is no program participant available at the time requested, the requisition will be processed in accordance with AR 614-185 and filled by assignment of an officer otherwise qualified.

b. Requisitions submitted to Headquarters, Department of the Army, for officers to fill FASTP positions will include the identifying code numbers assigned to the positions as provided for in paragraph 9, AR 621-108.

APPENDIX A
PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

1. Normally, foreign area training is conducted at the postgraduate level. The instruction stresses language training and the cultural, environmental, and psychological characteristics of the peoples concerned. Area courses include geography, historical and cultural background, regional and international relations, and economic, political, and social institutions. Complete foreign area training is from 2½ to 4 years' duration, depending upon the area studied.

2. General phases of training are indicated below and in appendix B.

a. Language training at a Defense Language Institute—12 months (except French, Spanish, and Portuguese which are 6-month courses). This phase of training may be omitted for personnel possessing current fluency in the appropriate language.

b. Academic area studies at U.S. or selected foreign civilian universities—9 to 12 months. This phase of training may be omitted for personnel possessing an appropriate graduate degree.

c. Travel, research, and study in the oversea area of specialization—36 months for the Arab World, 24 months for Russia (in a controlled-environmental community in West Germany), 18 months in China and Latin America, 12 months for all other areas. After three-fourths of this training tour, the student may be reassigned, subject to limitation on PCS moves in one fiscal year, to an on-station utilization tour.

d. Officers are subject to an immediate utilization tour upon completion of the third training phase.

3. Foreign Area Specialist Training Program areas are listed in appendix B.

4. The areas in which training is offered and the content and sequence of instruction may be revised as necessary to meet current requirements, university training loads, and budgetary limitations.

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Greece.....	Greek.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS or oversea university.	OUSDA Greece.
India.....	Hindi.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS university.	OUSDA India.
Iran.....	Persian.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS or oversea university.	OUSDA Iran.
Japan.....	Japanese.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS or oversea university.	OUSDA Japan.
Pakistan.....	Urdu.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS university.	OUSDA Pakistan.
Russia.....	Russian.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS university.	Det "R" OACSI, Garmisch, Germany.
Thailand.....	Thai.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS or oversea university.	OUSDA Thailand.
Turkey.....	Turkish.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS or oversea university.	OUSDA Turkey.
Vietnam.....	Vietnamese.....	DLI.....	Appropriate CONUS or oversea university.	(To be determined.)

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