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MEMORANDUM FOR Friends and Members of Kentucky Army National Guard Aviation

SUBJECT: Announcement of the Inaugural Aviation Dining-Out – Saturday, 15 March 2008

1. I am certain anyone in uniform will agree these are busy times. And, each will certainly agree, we simply must pause from time to time to celebrate our rich history, our recent accomplishments, and the members – past and present – who have made this all possible. On 15 March, we're planning just such a pause – *A Celebration of Aviation!* – earning the *Inaugural* moniker in that it's the *first* Aviation Dining-Out in recent memory... As noted in the attachments and RSVP cards, mark your calendars to join us at 18:00 that Saturday at the Castle Hill Winery in Versailles. We have a great evening planned, and look forward to hearing from some of the brightest stars who shaped our legacy, and some who continue to light our path and contribute to our growing family of Army Aviation.

2. Our Dining-Out also coincides with the First Anniversary of our local Bluegrass Chapter of the Army Aviation Association of America – or "*Quad-A*". The awards program of this fine professional organization enables us to recognize those who have contributed in extraordinary ways to Army Aviation – and one of the highlights of the evening entails the presentation of a few of these awards! We wanted to put at least two major events together in the same weekend, to minimize the number of "Guard weekends" that seem to keep us from home and family. Since most of our Aircrew members and Aviation Support personnel are scheduled for attendance at the Annual Aviation Safety and Standardization Standown to be held at Castle Hill Winery earlier that day, following-up the Standown with a Dining-Out seemed a logical fit. We've gone to great measure to keep the cost under control, and have tiered the cost of the meal accordingly. My guidance to the Dining-Out Committee extended to attire, as well – if the closet air hasn't shrunk your Blues or Dress Mess, we'll see you in your most formal. A Class A uniform with bowtie is perfectly fine, and barring all that, a business suit – or evening gown or cocktail dress for the ladies – is more than satisfactory. The choices of meals and beverages are rivaled only by the ambiance and setting of the Castle Hill Winery.

3. We'll toast those who serve, and those who lead; those who have accepted the call, and those who have fallen. Join us for a memorable evening. Bring your appetites, and prepare to meet new friends, and renew old acquaintances. We have several who are flying in from all corners of the Country, and who are driving in from throughout the Bluegrass – and we look forward to seeing *you* there.

4. The Aviation Dining-Out Committee Chair is 1LT Stephen D. Martin at 502 607-1898; and the Bluegrass Chapter's VP for Programs is CW4 D. Steve Knight at 502 607-1506.

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