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The Military Coalition Evaluates Pay and Benefits Report

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Alexandria, Va. — The Military Coalition (TMC), an influential Washington, DC-based consortium of 32 military and veterans groups, has begun to evaluate the <u>Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission (MCRMC)</u> report released on January 29.

"We appreciate the hard work that went into the MCRMC's analysis and recommendations, and TMC is in the midst of conducting a thoughtful and thorough examination of their final report," said Herb Rosenbleeth, president of TMC and National Executive Director of Jewish War Veterans (JWV).

"We are leveraging the experience and expertise of our 32 member organizations to assess the impact of the 15 MCRMC recommendations," said TMC Co-Chair Morgan Brown, Director of Government Relations, Air Force Sergeants Association (AFSA). "Our concern and focus is the recruitment and retention of the all-volunteer force and their families."

"TMC is encouraged that the commission has provided a number of thoughtful proposals," said fellow TMC Co-Chair Mike Hayden, Director of Government Relations, Military Officers Association of America (MOAA). "However, important questions still remain on many recommendations. We are still engaged with the commission as we analyze these recommendations further through a deliberative process."

"These are major recommendations on the uniformed services core retention incentives that demand a thorough study. The coalition remains concerned that these core benefits must be sustained at a level consistent with the extraordinary demands and sacrifices of a uniformed services career," Hayden concluded.

TMC looks forward to working with Congress as it considers these recommendations and as we continue our in-depth analysis, updates will be posted on the TMC website.

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