### **MEMO FOR IATS USERS**

Please insure that people who work in travel see the information listed below.

March 2014

SUBJECT: Rates Update Mini-CD For March 2014

NOTE: YOU MAY HAVE TO CLEAR THE CACHE ON YOUR COMPUTER WHEN TRYING TO DOWNLOAD RATES.

The following is a list of items enclosed:

- A. Information cover sheet and instruction sheets for loading rates for IATS
- B. IATS flyer for March 2014
- C. 1 CD labeled: March 2014 RATES UPDATE (now with the WinIATS 6.19 manual)

### WINIATS RATES UPDATE INSTRUCTIONS

## A. This month's update includes OCONUS rates eff 03-01-2014.

- **Step 1** Copy the file UPDATE230\_Mar0114.ZIP to the location you will use for this and later updates. (You can leave the updates on the (CD) and have the system look for the update on the CD each month) Once WINIATS learns this location it will remember it from the previous update
- Step 2 Login to Maintenance with a user who has rights to update rates. A Superuser works well.
- Step 3 Expand the "Configuration/Base Parameters"
- **Step 4** Click the 6th entry "Update All Rates/Locations"
- **Step 5** Browse the "Show update-files in directory" on the UPDATE RATES AND LOCATIONS screen and find where you copied the attached file. Note: If the files were copied in the same locations as last month's update, the file should be displayed.
- **Step 6** If step 5 was correct you will see the current update in the "Available update-files:" block. Click the "Update the rates/Locations using the Selected Files" button to begin.

**Step 7** Answer the prompts

#### B. This month's update includes the latest bank routing numbers.

**Step 1** Copy the file UPDATE230\_route(01Mar14).ZIP to the location you will use for this and later updates. (You can leave the updates on the CD and have the system look for the update on the CD each month) Once WINIATS learns this location it will remember it from the previous update

Follow Step 2 through 7 above

NOTE: Check these locations to insure the rates updated. If WinIATS rates are different you will need to contact DFAS or your WinIATS support organization. Do not do this lookup in Maintenance since you may accidentally override one of the dates. Use the rate lookup option.

COUNTRY OR STATE /	CITY	DATE	LODGING	M&IE	MAXIMUM
CHINA	GUANGZHOU	03/01/2014	243	164	407
TUNISIA	JERBA	03/01/2014	91	86	177

These are only some of the locations that have changed. They are listed so you have a location toward the front of the alphabet and the end of the alphabet to check. If these updated correctly then the theory is that all the locations between have updated. You can use other locations from the PDTATAC web site to check the rates also.

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Contact the following to obtain assistance IATS-HELPDESK

Email: IATS-HELP-DESK@DFAS.MIL

Telephone - Commercial: (317) 222-7718 DSN: 699-7718

1) RATES CAN BE E-MAILED TO SHIPS AT SEA OR LOCATIONS THAT HAVE E-MAIL BUT NOT ACCESS TO THE INTERNET AND WANT THE RATES SENT TO THEM ELECTRONICALLY. SEND AN E-MAIL STATING IF IT IS CONTINUOUS OR JUST FOR A SPECIFIC NUMBER OF MONTHS. INCLUDE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS.

# **GET THE RATES ELECTRONICALLY!!**

You can get the rates through the INTERNET at www.profsft.com (do not type http) then click on SUPPORT. At the SUPPORT PAGE, select the appropriate rates then download the rates update file.

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### NOTES TO IATS USERS

# A. RITA RATES COMING SOON???

The Relocation Income Tax Allowance (RITA) rates have not been released by GSA. It is hard to guess when the RITA rates will be released by GSA. RITA rates are made of both 2013 and what should be in 2014 Federal Income Tax Rates. In 2013 GSA put the RITA rates out during April.

Shortly after GSA releases the RITA rates we will post a new update for the new RITA rates. After you see or hear that GSA has released the rates then go to our WEB site and pull the update file down. We will also include them when we send the following months Rates update.

Thanks
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