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Emerging Infectious Diseases In-Theater: Risks and Mitigation

June 5, 2009 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Hall of the States Building Rooms 383/385 444 North Capitol St. NW Washington, DC

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**Director, Office of Biodefense Research, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases
Moderator**

Numerous infectious disease threats to U.S. personnel are emerging, or have emerged, in military operations abroad. How are they being detected and dealt with in-theater? What are the implications for care as troops are demobilized and/or leave military service? What preventive measures are being taken in-theater? How is care being coordinated along the spectrum from field operations through return to civilian life?

8:00 a.m. coffee

Welcome: Ernest Takafuji, MD, MPH, Moderator [8:30 – 8:35]

Opening remarks: COL. Robert DeFraithe, MD, Director, Armed Forces Health Surveillance Center [8:35 – 8:45]

Examples of emerging threats [8:45 – 9:20]

BRIG. GEN. W. Bryan Gamble, MD, Command Surgeon, U.S. Central Command

Sheila Kinty, DVM, MPH, Infectious Diseases Division, National Center for Medical Intelligence

COL. Naomi Aronson, MD, Director, Infectious Diseases Division, Department of Medicine, USUHS

Open Discussion [9:20 – 10:00]

Can current surveillance efforts and their results be better coordinated? [10:00 – 10:30]

CAPT. Kevin Russell, MD, Deputy Director, Armed Forces Health Surveillance Center

Director, Division of Global Emerging Infections Surveillance

Gary Roselle, MD, National Director for Infectious Diseases, Veterans Health Administration

Rima F. Khabbaz, MD, Director, National Center for Preparedness, Detection and Control of Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Open Discussion [10:30 – 11:10]

Break [11:10 – 11:20]

Where should we go from here? [11:20 – 11:50]

COL. Donald Noah, DVM, MPH, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Health Protection and Readiness

**Mark Holodniy, MD, Director, Public Health Research Center, Palo Alto VA Healthcare System
Veterans Health Administration**

Rick Erdtmann, MD, Director, Board on the Health of Select Populations, Institute of Medicine

Targeted discussion on a blueprint for the future [11:50 – 12:25]

Moderator closing comments [12:25-12:30]

Light buffet lunch [12:30 -1:30]

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