BUMED INSTRUCTION 5450.168A

From: Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery

Subj: MISSION, FUNCTIONS, AND TASKS OF U.S. NAVAL MEDICAL RESEARCH
UNIT NO. 3, CAIRO, ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT

Ref: (a) OPNAVNOTE 5450 Ser 09B2E3/313988 of 14 Sep 83 (Canc frp: Mar 84)
(b) BUMEDINST 5450.165B
(c) SECNAV M-5210.1 of Nov 2007

Encl: (1) Mission, Functions, and Tasks of U.S. Naval Medical Research Unit No. 3, Cairo,
Arab Republic of Egypt
(2) Acronyms

1. **Purpose.** To publish the mission, functions, and tasks of United States (U.S.) Naval Medical
Research Unit No. 3 (NAVMEDRSCHU NUMBER THREE) established by reference (a). This
is a complete revision and must be read in its entirety.

2. **Cancellation.** BUMEDINST 5450.168.

3. **Scope.** This applies to NAVMEDRSCHU NUMBER THREE and its detachments
NAVMEDRSCHU THREE DET AND MEDRES THREE GHANA.

4. **Status and Command Relationships.** NAVMEDRSCHU NUMBER THREE is a shore
activity in an active (fully operational) status under a commanding officer.

   a. **Command:**

   Commanding Officer
   U.S. Naval Medical Research Unit No. 3
   PSC 452 Box 5000
   FPO AE 09535-0007

   (SNDL: FH8) (UIC: 32398)
   (PLA: NAVMEDRSCHU THREE CAIRO EGYPT)
   (Activity Code: 4188-003)

   b. **Echelon of Command:**

   1 - Chief of Naval Operations
   2 - Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery
   3 - Commanding Officer, Naval Medical Research Center
   4 - Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Medical Research Unit No. 3
c. **Area Coordination:**

   (1) Commander, United States Central Command (USCENTCOM)

   (2) Commander, Naval Installations Command

d. **Regional Coordinator.** Naval Regions Europe, Africa, and Southwest Asia.

5. **Action**

   a. Commanding Officer, NA VMEDRSCHU NUMBER THREE shall ensure performance of the specific mission, functions, and tasks assigned in enclosure (1).

   b. The Commanding Officer, NA VMEDRSCHU NUMBER THREE, superiors in the chain of command, and USCENTCOM shall advise the Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED) of any recommended modifications to enclosure (1), in accordance with reference (b). Enclosure (2) is a listing of acronyms used in this instruction.

6. **Records Management.** Records created as a result of this instruction, regardless of format and media, shall be managed in accordance with reference (c).

   **Signature**

   A. M. ROBINSON, JR.

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MISSION, FUNCTIONS, AND TASK OF
U.S. NAVAL MEDICAL RESEARCH UNIT NO. 3,
CAIRO, ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT

1. Purpose. To issue the functions and tasks of the U.S. Naval Medical Research Unit No. 3 (NAVMEDRSCHU NUMBER THREE) in support of the mission established by OPNAVNOTE 5450 Ser 09B2E3/313988 of 14 Sep 83 (Canc frp: Mar 84).

2. Mission. To study, monitor, and detect emerging and re-emerging disease threats of military and public health importance; and develop mitigation strategies against these threats in partnership with host nations, international and U.S. agencies in the United States (U.S.) Central Command (USCENTCOM), U.S. European Command (USEUCOM), and U.S. African Command (USAFRICOM) areas of responsibility (AORs).

3. Functions and Tasks:
   a. NAVMEDRSCHU NUMBER THREE. As directed by the Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery:
      (1) Conducts, monitors, and detects emerging and re-emerging disease threats of military and public health importance in the USCENTCOM, USEUCOM, and USAFRICOM AORs.
      (2) Develops mitigation strategies against disease threats in partnership with host nations, international and U.S. agencies, Department of Defense (DoD), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), the World Health Organization (WHO), and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) in the USCENTCOM, USEUCOM and USAFRICOM AORs.
      (3) Conducts outbreak investigation and response, capacity building, and medical surveillance with a focus on force health protection and global health security in the AORs.
      (4) Serves as an effective instrument of the U.S. foreign policy through positive interactions with host countries playing a key role in medical diplomacy.
      (5) Provides or undertakes other such appropriate functions as may be authorized or directed by higher echelon.
   b. NAVMEDRSCHU THREE DET
      (1) Coordinates activities with the Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response Systems (GEIS) of the Armed Forces Health Surveillance Center.
      (2) Fosters and enhances opportunities to improve infectious disease surveillance, detection, response, integration, military readiness, and capacity building in the USCENTCOM, USEUCOM, and USAFRICOM AORs.

Enclosure (1)
(3) Focuses on the following five GEIS priority surveillance pillars: respiratory infections, especially influenza; gastrointestinal infections; febrile illness syndromes, especially dengue and malaria; antimicrobial resistance; and sexually transmitted infections.

c. MEDRES THREE GHANA

(1) Conducts, monitors, and detects emerging and re-emerging disease threats of military and public health importance in the USAFRICOM AOR.

(2) Develops mitigation strategies against disease threats in partnership with host nations, international and U.S. agencies, DoD, the CDC, USAID, the WHO, and the HHS in the USAFRICOM AOR.

(3) Conducts outbreak investigation and response, capacity building, and medical surveillance with a focus on force health protection and global health security in the AOR.

(4) Serves as an effective instrument of the U.S. foreign policy through positive interactions with host countries in West Africa playing a key role in medical diplomacy.
**ACRONYMS**

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