SUBJECT: (U) ACN 4200.02 CHANGE 2 TO ACM 4200.03 FORCE HEALTH PROTECTION PROCEDURES FOR DEPLOYMENT AND TRAVEL //
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REF/A/DOC/DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE REFERENCE DOCUMENT, "(U) USING NATIONAL CENTER FOR MEDICAL INTELLIGENCE (NCMI) MALARIA RISK ASSESSMENT TO SUPPORT CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS CHOICES", AUGUST 23, 2011.
SUBJ/(U) USAFRICOM COMMAND NOTICE (ACN) 4200.02 CHANGE 2 TO AFRICA COMMAND MANUAL (ACM) 4200.03 FORCE HEALTH PROTECTION PROCEDURES FOR DEPLOYMENT AND TRAVEL (MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS) //
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1. (U) THE US AFRICA COMMAND (USAFRICOM) CHIEF OF STAFF HAS APPROVED AFRICA COMMAND NOTICE (ACN) 4200.02 CHANGE 2 TO AFRICA COMMAND MANUAL (ACM) 4200.03 FORCE HEALTH PROTECTION PROCEDURES FOR DEPLOYMENT AND TRAVEL. A COPY OF THIS NOTICE CAN BE FOUND ON THE USAFRICOM PORTAL UNDER COMMAND DIRECTIVES, SECRETARY OF THE JOINT STAFF (SJS), SJS SHARED DOCUMENTS, U.S. AFRICA COMMAND NOTICES (ACN) LINK, HTTPS://PORTAL.AFRICOM.SMIL.MIL/PAGES/DEFAULT.ASPX.

2. (U) PURPOSE. ACN 4200.02 PROVIDES A CHANGE TO VERBIAGE REGARDING MALARIA PREVENTION. IT IDENTIFIES AND DEFINES THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR MEDICAL INTELLIGENCE (NCMI) CLASSIFICATIONS FOR MALARIA TRANSMISSION AND THE U.S. AFRICA COMMAND'S CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS GUIDANCE FOR HIGH-TRANSMISSION, LOW-TRANSMISSION, AND NON-ENDEMIC SETTINGS IN THE U.S. AFRICA COMMAND'S AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY (REF A).//

3. (U) BACKGROUND. MALARIA IS CAUSED BY PLASMODIUM PARASITES AND IS TRANSMITTED BY MOSQUITOES. PLASMODIUM FALCIPARUM IS THE MOST WIDESPREAD AND MOST COMMONLY FATAL TYPE OF MALARIA IN AFRICA COMPARED TO OTHER STRAINS. MALARIA PREVENTION IS ACHIEVED THROUGH PERSONAL PROTECTIVE MEASURES (BEDNETS, INSECT REPELLENT, PERMETHRIN-TREATED UNIFORMS/CLOTHING), VECTOR CONTROL, AND CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS. FOOD & DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA) - APPROVED MEDICATIONS (CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS) AVAILABLE AND APPROPRIATE FOR U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PERSONNEL IN AFRICA ARE DISCUSSED BELOW.
3.A. (U) MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS REGIMENS FOR AFRICA. CHLOROQUINE 
HAS NO ROLE AS A CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS AGENT IN AFRICA. ALTHOUGH 
ATOVUQONE-PROGUANIL (MALARONE), DOXYCYCLINE AND MEFLOQUINE ARE ALL 
eFFECTIVE AGAINST MALARIA IF USED APPROPRIATELY, DATA ON EFFICACY, 
EFFECTIVENESS, TOLERABILITY, SAFETY PROFILE AND RISK OF BREAKTHROUGH 
HAS RESULTED IN NEW PRIORITIZATION FOR AFRICA. RISK OF MALARIA 
TRANSMISSION FOR A PARTICULAR AREA IN AFRICA (SEE REF A) WILL NOW GUIDE 
MEDICATION CHOICE.

3.B. (U) RECOMMENDATION OF CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS REGIMEN BY TRANSMISSION 
RISK.

3.B.1. (U) HIGH-TRANSMISSION AREAS. ATOVUQONE-PROGUANIL (MALARONE) IS 
RECOMMENDED AS THE DRUG OF CHOICE FOR THE PREVENTION OF MALARIA IN 
THESE AREAS. FOR INDIVIDUALS UNABLE TO RECEIVE ATOVUQONE-PROGUANIL 
DUE TO INTOLERANCE OR CONTRAINDICATION, DOXYCYCLINE WILL BE THE 
PREFERRED SECOND-LINE THERAPY. USE OF MEFLOQUINE PROPHYLAXIS IS A 
THIRD-LINE RECOMMENDATION AND SHOULD BE RESTRICTED TO INDIVIDUALS 
UNABLE TO RECEIVE EITHER OF THE OTHER REGIMENS.

3.B.2. (U) LOW-TRANSMISSION SETTINGS. WHEN CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS IS TO BE 
USED, EITHER DOXYCYCLINE OR ATOVUQONE-PROGUANIL (MALARONE) ARE 
ACCEPTABLE FIRST-LINE PROPHYLACTIC MEDICATIONS. MEFLOQUINE SHOULD BE 
RESERVED FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INTOLERANCE OR CONTRAINDICATIONS TO BOTH 
FIRST-LINE MEDICATIONS.

3.B.3. (U) NON-ENDEMIC SETTINGS. CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS IS NOT NEEDED IN 
NON-ENDEMIC SETTINGS.//

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