

Defense Secretary Ash Carter announced Oct. 26 that he was directing the Defense Finance and Accounting Service to suspend efforts to collect reimbursement from affected California Army National Guard soldiers related to improperly paid incentive bonuses or other benefits in the 2004-2010 timeframe. To read the secretary's statement, click [here](#).

If you are one of the affected members of the California Army National Guard, you should have received or soon should receive a letter from the National Guard Bureau notifying you that the collection of your debt will be temporarily suspended. **If you believe the collection of your debt has not been suspended, please contact the Defense Finance and Accounting Service at 1-855-897-8091.**

Please note that this suspension is a temporary measure that will allow the Defense Department to review collection of the debts. No debt has been waived, canceled or remitted by this notice, and this temporary suspension in collection and review does not confer additional rights or interfere with any other legal rights available to California Army National Guard soldiers.