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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

SUBJECT: 2019 Army Inflation Indices

1. The 2019 Army Inflation Indices were developed in accordance with the OSD Inflation Guidance – FY2020 President's Budget (REVISED), published on 01/09/19 for all forwarded appropriations. These indices are contained in the Excel file titled FY19 Joint Inflation Calculator and can be found at: <https://www.asafm.army.mil/offices/ce/CRBresources.html>
2. To accommodate the volatile environment for fuel, the 2.5% rate for FY24 fuel rates and beyond are included in the SAR guidance, CAPE and Service representatives agreed to this rate.
3. My point of contact for this memorandum and the attached Joint Inflation Calculator Overview is Mr. Nicholas Cesare at 703-697-1565.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stephen G. Barth".

Stephen G. Barth

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Joint Inflation Calculator Overview

1. The purpose of the Joint Inflation Calculator (JIC) is to provide both Army and Navy indices in a single document. The JIC provides additional features and functionality previously unavailable in the prior, Army, publication format, including:
 - a. Expansion of the number of base years, from four to the entire time period, 1985 – 2060.
 - b. Budget year index column; allowing the user to translate directly from one TY\$ to another TY\$ instead of deflating and re-inflating.
 - c. Quick Look calculator - provides BY/TY conversions.
 - d. SAR calculator - converts the budget from TY\$ to BY\$.
 - e. Glossary of inflation related terms.
 - f. Joint Service calculator user instructions.
 - g. Worksheets that display every appropriations' indices for a given base year.
2. Many of the recommendations have been incorporated, leading to a tool that has been vetted within the Army cost community, garnering a high level of acceptance. As of the 2012 annual update cycle, the inflation indices have been published solely within the JIC format, however, it is a product that continues to evolve. We welcome any feedback that you can provide.