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WHO: INVITED SQUAD DRILL, PLATOON DRILL, AND COLOR GUARD TEAMS FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY WILL BE COMPETING IN THE DRILL COMPETITION OF THE 2018 COLORADO MEET. SQUAD DRILL TEAMS WILL CONSIST OF A MINIMUM OF 7 MIDN, AND A MAXIMUM OF 13 MIDN INCLUDING THE UNIT LEADER. PLATOON DRILL TEAMS WILL CONSIST OF A MINIMUM OF 20 MIDN, MAXIMUM OF 32 MIDN INCLUDING 1 UNIT LEADER AND 1 GUIDON. COLORGUARD WILL CONSIST OF RIGHT AND LEFT RIFLE, THE NATIONAL ENSIGN, THE USMC FLAG, AND THE NAVY FLAG.

WHAT: SQUAD AND PLATOON DRILL WILL BE USING M16'S FOR THE DRILL COMPETITION. THE UNIT LEADERS ARE AUTHORIZED TO USE SWORDS OR M16'S. THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO NROTC CAN PROVIDE M16 RIFLES FOR COMPETITION IF NEEDED, BUT NOT FOR PRACTICE BEFORE THE TEAM'S COMPETITION TIME. COLOR GUARD WILL USE M1 GARAND RIFLES AND ARE AUTHORIZED TO USE M16'S AS WELL FOR COMPETITION. M1'S OR M16S CAN BE PROVIDED FOR COMPETITION BY CU NOTC IF NEEDED. COLOR GUARD TEAMS WILL BE PROVIDED M1'S OR M16S TO PRACTICE WITH 20 MINUTES PRIOR TO THEIR COMPETITION TIME. THE DRILL DECK WILL BE 50X50 YARDS FOR PLATOON AND 30X30 FOR BOTH COLOR GUARD AND SQUAD DRILL. ALL COMPETITIONS WILL BE HELD ON THE SAME FIELD.

WHY: THE PURPOSE OF THE DRILL COMPETITION IS TO BUILD A STRONG COMRADERY BETWEEN NROTC UNITS AROUND THE COUNTRY, AS WELL AS WITHIN EACH COMPETING SCHOOL. THE PREPARATION FOR THE DRILL COMPETITION WILL DEVELOP SMALL UNIT LEADERSHIP, UNIT COHESION, AND PROFESSIONALISM. THE BASIC SKILLS LEARNED DURING PREPARATION FOR THE DRILL COMPETITION BUILDS A STRONG BASE FOR FUTURE SAILORS AND MARINES TO USE THROUGHOUT THEIR CAREER.

WHEN: THE DRILL COMPETITION WILL BE HELD ON 03MARCH2018 AT THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER.

WHERE: TEAMS WILL COMPETE IN THE CU BOULDER INDOOR PRACTICE FACILITY. THIS IS ABOUT 300 METERS EAST OF THE BATTALION'S HEADQUARTERS AND WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE. TEAMS WILL BE ABLE TO PRACTICE ON THE ADJACENT FIELD AFTER CHECKING IN 20 MINUTES PRIOR TO THEIR COMPETITION TIME.