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Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War  
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**Series 2004-2005**  
**Department Special Order Number 2**  
**To Be Read in the Camps, Action Taken, then Filed**

- 1) Please find that any Brother serving in an active war zone( Afghanistan and/or Iraq) will not be required to pay the Per Capita tax to our National Order for the year 2005. This ordered by the Commander in Chief with the complete approval of the Council of Administration. Please read the statement below as stated in the General Order.**

General Orders No. 5  
SERIES 2004-2005  
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I am pleased to announce that our Council of Administration has voted unanimously to again waive the national per capita for any Brother serving in an active combat zone as of January 1, 2005.

To request a waiver of national per capita, a Camp must indicate on a sheet of paper that names, rank and unit of each Brother being exempted. Please note that the Brother must be in an active combat area/zone to qualify for the exemption. For purposes of implementation, any Brother deployed in Iraq or Afghanistan shall be deemed to be in an active combat zone

All Departments and Camps are encouraged to likewise waive Department and Camp dues for these Brothers for the year 2005.

- 2) Please find that the Office of the Department Commander of Pennsylvania and with the Concurrence of Department Council, Department of Pennsylvania do mandate that any Brother meeting the same criteria set by the Commander in Chief in his General Orders No.5 will not have to pay the Department Per Capita for year 2005.**

**The Department of Pennsylvania will STILL require the Brother serving to be included in the Camp Roster when sending the forms to the Department Sec./Treas., that are required for yearly reporting. The Camp shall also include for the Department of Pennsylvania the same information on a sheet of paper that is required by National ( names, rank & unit) to the Department Sec./Treas., this so no communications errors occur. This Department Order is for the year 2005 only and will be reviewed next year, 2006.**

- 3) I respectively ask the Camps in the Department of Pennsylvania to follow the lead of the of our National Organization and that of your Department in regards to Camp dues for our Brothers serving in the active War Zones, however this is completely up to the Camps.**

**In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,**

**ERIC J. SCHMINCKE  
Commander,  
Department of Pennsylvania,  
S.U.V.C.W.**

**Attest:**

**Charles E. Kuhn, Jr., PDC  
Pa. Dept. Sec./Treas., S.U.V.C.W.**