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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL, ILLINOIS NATIONAL GUARD  
THROUGH: THE GOVERNOR OF ILLINOIS

SUBJECT: Calling Members of the Illinois National Guard into Federal Service

On October 4, 2025, the President of the United States called forth at least 300 National Guard personnel into Federal service pursuant to section 12406 of title 10, U.S. Code, to protect U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Federal Protective Service, and other U.S. Government personnel who are performing Federal functions, including the enforcement of Federal law, and to protect Federal property, at locations where violent demonstrations against these functions are occurring or are likely to occur based on current threat assessments and planned operations.

This memorandum further implements the President's direction. Up to 300 members of the Illinois National Guard will be called into Federal service effective immediately for a period of 60 days. The Chief of the National Guard Bureau will immediately coordinate the details of the mobilization with you, in coordination with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and Commander, U.S. Northern Command. The mobilized Service members will be under the command and control of the Commander, U.S. Northern Command.

cc:  
Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff  
Chief, National Guard Bureau  
Commander, U.S. Northern Command  
Under Secretary of Defense for Policy  
Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness