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Draft quota not tied to Isle call-up

Hawaii's contribution of about 4,000 men to the 24,000 national call-up of reserves May 13 does not mean the State's draft quota will be proportionately reduced, a State Selective Service official said today.

There is no relationship between the two, said Col. Thomas Imada, deputy director.

"Calls are not based on

population. They are based on availability," he said.

Sen. Hiram L. Fong has charged several times that activation of the Guard's 29th Brigade and the Army Reserve's 100th Battalion, 442nd Infantry, put an unfair load on Hawaii.

Hawaii's contribution is an unfair percentage, Fong says.

Imada said men go into

guard and reserve units on a voluntary basis and "many will frankly admit they did so to avoid the draft."

Imada just received the Hawaii draft quota for July and it is one of the lowest in months — a total of 38.

The low figure reflects the national call for the month of only 15,000.

"When enlistments are up, the draft quotas go down,"

Imada said.

Hawaii's June call is 52 and the May call is 124 out of the 45,900 national call.

The April quota of 162 was one of Hawaii's highest in recent years. The national call for April was 48,000, including 4,000 for the Marine Corps.

Intelligence specialists arriving

About 15 military intelligence specialists from Phoenix, Ariz., will arrive here at 2 a.m. Wednesday to join the 29th Brigade at Schofield Barracks.

A brigade spokesman said the detachment's commander, Maj. Charles Green, will be among those arriving.

Others will not get here until August, he said.

Soldiers of the 29th returned to duty today. They enjoyed a weekend off following the Armed Forces

Day parade Saturday morning at Schofield.

Many units went to class today to learn about the M-14 rifle.

"After they learn how to take it apart and put it together, they will start going to the range for rifle practice," a spokesman said.

This work with the M-14

will occupy many troops for the balance of their second week of active duty.

West Coast reservists due

California reservists called up May 13 will arrive at Schofield Barracks for duty next Monday, the Army said today.

The 140th Aviation Company, a helicopter outfit, has an authorized strength of 135 but will be short about 25 when it reaches here.

Ceremonies are planned to welcome the men who come from the Long Beach area.

The 40th is being attached to the U.S. Army, Hawaii, the Schofield housekeepers, instead of the 29th Brigade.