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IRS reminder: Combat zone tax benefits, Armed Forces service in Sinai Peninsula, retroactive to June 2015

The IRS today issued a release as a reminder to U.S. Armed Forces members who served in the Sinai Peninsula of Egypt of their eligibility for combat zone tax benefits retroactive to June 2015.

The IRS release—**IR-2018-95**—notes that under the new tax law (Pub. L. No. 115-97, enacted December 22, 2017), members of the U.S. Army, U.S. Navy, U.S. Marines, U.S. Air Force, and U.S. Coast Guard who performed services in the Sinai Peninsula of Egypt can claim combat zone tax benefits. Under these benefits, eligible service members may be able to exclude part or all of their combat pay from their income for federal income tax purposes.