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**DIRECTOR'S OFFICE MEMORANDUM 2019 - 14**

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**TO:** Executive Policy Team  
Administrative Management Team  
Wardens

**FROM:** Heidi E. Washington, Director

**SUBJECT:** PD 04.04.113 "Security Threat Groups"

**SUPERSEDES DOM 2018 - 14 (effective 01/01/2018)**

Effective monitoring and management of Security Threat Groups (STGs) assists in the prevention of violence and helps to ensure the overall security of Michigan Department of Corrections' facilities. In order to discourage STG membership and activities, the consequences of STG membership were increased in PD 04.04.113 "Security Threat Groups," effective February 26, 2015. These additional restrictions for prisoners designated as STG I or II are as follows:

1. They are ineligible to receive a Friends and Family Package Program order, including any subsequent like program package as approved by the Deputy Director of Correctional Facilities Administration;
2. They cannot send electronic messages;
3. They cannot be classified to participate in Reception and Guidance Center or Parole Board recommendations without approval of the Emergency Management Section Manager or designee;
4. They cannot be classified to a work assignment;
5. They cannot participate in incentive programs; and
6. Their personal telephone calls are limited to five per week excluding calls to an attorney, verified public official, or the Legislative Corrections Ombudsman.

The purpose of this Director's Office Memorandum is to extend these restrictions to all policy directives that address these issues. Examples include but are not limited to PD 04.02.135 "Friends and Family Package Program," PD 05.03.130 "Prisoner Telephone Use," and PD 05.03.118 "Prisoner Mail."