

## Preface

This manual provides information on the structure and operations of the FSB. It is directed toward the commander and staff of the FSBs of divisions organized and operating under L-edition TOES as modified by the Force Design Initiatives for an Army of Excellence Study. It is also designed to be used by commanders of the FSB's subordinate companies.

The manual outlines the functions and operations of each section within the FSB and how the FSB commander and staff integrate their activities. This includes both the logistics and medical mission and the tactical responsibilities. The manual describes the many coordination links the FSB must maintain with supported and supporting units.

This manual is based on doctrine in FMs 100-5, 100-10, 71-3, and 63-2-2. FM 100-5 is the Army's keystone doctrinal manual. It outlines how the Army will fight the AirLand Battle. FM 100-10 is the Army's keystone CSS doctrinal manual. It provides an overview of the CSS system for supporting the Army in the field. FM 71-3 is the doctrinal publication on armored and mechanized infantry brigade operations. It provides information vital to the FSB commander's understanding of the unit he must support. FM 63-2-2 describes the support provided by resources within and outside of the division. It is directed toward commanders and staff who are concerned with providing CSS within armored, mechanized infantry, and motorized divisions organized and operating under "Division 86" TOES as modified by the Army of Excellence Study. (Work is currently underway on a new FM 63-2, which will cover the operations of a heavy division support command in depth. The new manual is designed to supersede FMs 63-2-2 and 63-22.)

A wide range of publications support this manual by providing details in specific CSS functional areas. FM 42-4 covers the organization and operations of the FSB forward supply company. FM 43-12 describes division maintenance operations, including those of the forward maintenance company of the FSB. FM 8-15, currently under development, will detail the operations of the forward support medical company. Numerous other functional manuals are referenced throughout this manual and listed in the References section at the end.

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Unless otherwise stated, whenever the masculine gender is used, both men and women are included.