

The 426 ABS Finance is the focal point for all things financial. Military Pay, Travel Pay, Accounting, Budget, and Disbursing are capabilities offered to all internal and external customers. Please contact our office at timothy.carlsrud@us.af.mil if you have any specific questions regarding your upcoming move.

Overseas Cost of Living Allowances (COLA)

Overseas Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) is a non-taxable allowance designed to offset the higher overseas prices of non-housing goods and services. Current COLA information for Stavanger, Norway (Locality Code: NO021) can be found at <http://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/colaCalc.cfm>

Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA)

Overseas Housing Program enables military members assigned overseas to privately lease housing on the economy. This program encompasses a reimbursement system designed to partially defray housing costs when on-base or government leased housing is not available. Current OHA information for Stavanger, Norway (Locality Code: NO021) can be found at <http://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/ohaCalc.cfm>

International Treasury Services

Transferring money between US and international banks is time consuming and costly. The Treasury Service eliminates fees and the hassle! This electronic system works just like an allotment and offers service members and employees payment directly to a foreign account. These payments allow members and employees a means to pay for such items as rent and utilities. Enrollment is completed through the Finance office.

Disbursing Operations

Before arriving to Norway ensure that you have at least one book of checks! The Finance office does offer check cashing services in both Norwegian Kroner and USD. The weekly limit is \$6000.00 in Norwegian Kroner and \$250.00 in USD. The cash cage is open on Wednesdays and Fridays from 1000-1400. Amounts above the stated thresholds can be approved by the 426 ABS/CC. These waivers are approved for special circumstances such as housing security deposit and first month rent.