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NARR/REF (A) DELINEATES RESPONSIBILITIES FOR MCIWEST INSTALLATION COMMANDERS TO ESTABLISH LOCAL AFDCBS AND ADVISE MCIWEST OF ESTABLISHMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED AS OFF-LIMITS. REF (B) COMNAVREGSWINST FOR LEAVE AND LIBERTY RESTRICTIONS FOR THE MEXICO BORDER AREA. REF C, ALNAV 073/06, PROVIDES INFO ON THE PITFALLS OF PREDATORY PAYDAY LENDING. REF (D) DISCUSSES SERVICE MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN OFF-INSTALLATION DEMONSTRATIONS. REF (E) ESTABLISHES LIMITATIONS ON WEARING THE UNIFORM BY SERVICE MEMBERS. REF (F) IS THE JOINT USMC/USN LIBERTY POLICY IRT MEXICO TRAVEL.

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REMARKS/1. PER THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE REFERENCES, THIS MESSAGE ESTABLISHES AND UPDATES MCIWEST OFF-LIMITS AREAS AND AREAS OF CAUTION FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL. THIS INFORMATION IS BASED ON INPUT FROM INSTALLATION COMMANDERS AND COMMANDER NAVY REGION SW, AND WILL BE UPDATED AND PUBLISHED ON A QUARTERLY BASIS. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS FROM THIS LIST ARE SOLICITED AND SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE POC. THIS INFORMATION SHOULD BE DISSEMINATED THROUGH ALL AVAILABLE MEANS, TO INCLUDE, COMMAND BRIEFINGS, PODS, INSTALLATION NEWSPAPERS, AND COMMAND BULLETIN BOARDS.

2. THIS MESSAGE CONSTITUTES A LAWFUL GENERAL ORDER, AND VIOLATION BY U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL IS PUNISHABLE UNDER ARTICLE 92 OF THE UCMJ.

3. THE FOLLOWING AREAS ARE OFF-LIMITS TO MILITARY PERSONNEL AT ALL TIMES.

- 3.A. CLUB MUSTANG, 2200 UNIVERSITY AVE, SAN DIEGO.
- 3.B. CLUB SAN DIEGO, 3955 FOURTH STREET, SAN DIEGO.
- 3.C. DREAM CRYSTAL, 15366 HIGHLAND AVE, NATIONAL CITY.
- 3.D. GET IT ON SHOPPE, 3219 MISSION BLVD, SAN DIEGO.
- 3.E. MAIN STREET MOTEL, 3494 MAIN STREET, SAN DIEGO.
- 3.F. VULCAN BATHS, 805 WEST CEDAR STREET, SAN DIEGO.
- 3.G. SPORTS AUTO SALES, 1112 NATIONAL CITY BLVD, NATIONAL CITY.

4. THE FOLLOWING ARE OFF-LIMITS AREAS AT TIMES SPECIFIED DUE TO VIOLENT CRIMINAL AND GANG ACTIVITY OR RECURRENT MISCONDUCT BY MILITARY MEMBERS THAT IS PREJUDICIAL TO GOOD ORDER AND DISCIPLINE AND SERVICE DISCREDITING:

- 4.A. THE 2600 TO 3600 BLOCK OF MAIN STREET, INCLUDING THE MCDONALD'S AND BURGER KING PARKING LOTS ON 28TH STREET, FROM 0001 UNTIL 0500 ON WEDNESDAYS.
- 4.B. DENNY'S PARKING LOT (SOUTH SIDE OF E STREET BETWEEN WOODLAWN AVENUE AND BROADWAY), 692 E STREET, CHULA VISTA, FROM 0130 UNTIL 0400 ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS.

5. THE FOLLOWING AREAS ARE OFF LIMITS FROM SUNSET TO SUNRISE DUE TO VIOLENT CRIMINAL AND GANG ACTIVITY:

- 5.A. OTAY MESA - THE UNDEVELOPED PROPERTY IN SOUTH SAN DIEGO BORDERED ON THE WEST BY INTERSTATE 805, ON THE SOUTH BY STATE HIGHWAY 905 AND OTAY MESA ROAD, ON THE NORTH BY OTAY VALLEY ROAD, AND ON THE EAST BY OTAY VALLEY ROAD AND HERITAGE ROAD, EXCEPT WHILE TRAVELING TO, FROM, OR REMAINING AT ANY PRIVATE RESIDENCE OR LICENSED BUSINESSES WITHIN THE DESCRIBED AREA.

5.B. WILLIE HENDERSON PARK/SAN DIEGO CITY PARK AT 45TH STREET AND LOGAN AVENUE.
 5.C. THE AREA KNOWN AS "SHIT CREEK" IN YUMA, AZ. IT IS WITHIN A ONE MILE RADIUS OF THE CONFLUENCE OF THE GILA AND COLORADO RIVERS. THE CONFLUENCE IS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 1500 FEET NORTH OF THE BEND ON EAST LEVBE ROAD WHICH OCCURS JUST EAST OF SOUTH AVENUE 4 E AND JUST WEST OF SOUTH AVENUE 4 AND 1/2 E. THIS MESSAGE CONSTITUTES A LAWFUL GENERAL ORDER, AND VIOLATION BY U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL IS PUNISHABLE UNDER ARTICLE 92 OF THE UCMJ.

6. AREAS OF CAUTION ARE AREAS OR ESTABLISHMENTS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN PUT OFF-LIMITS BY INSTALLATION, MCIWEST OR REGIONAL ARMED FORCES DISCIPLINARY CONTROL BOARDS. THESE AREAS OR ESTABLISHMENTS HOWEVER POSE A POTENTIAL RISK TO SERVICE MEMBERS AND THEREFORE MILITARY PERSONNEL ARE ADVISED TO EXERCISE CAUTION WHEN FREQUENTING THE AREAS LISTED.

6.A. TWELVE BLOCK AREA BOUNDED BY LOGAN AVENUE, BEARDSLEY STREET, SAMPSON STREET, AND MAIN STREET IN SAN DIEGO. BASED ON VIOLENT CRIMINAL AND GANG ACTIVITY, A SAFETY ADVISORY IS ISSUED FOR THE APPROXIMATELY TWELVE BLOCK AREA BOUNDED BY LOGAN AVENUE, BEARDSLEY STREET, SAMPSON STREET, AND MAIN STREET, IN SAN DIEGO, BETWEEN DUSK AND DAWN. THE AREA INCLUDES CHUEY'S RESTAURANT AND CANTINA, AT 901 MAIN STREET/CESAR E. CHAVEZ PARKWAY, AND BAY BRIDGE PARK. PERSONNEL WITHIN THIS AREA SHOULD REMAIN ALERT TO THE POTENTIAL FOR VIOLENT CRIME AND GANG ACTIVITY AND EXERCISE PRECAUTIONS TO AVOID IT.

6.B. NAVAL BASE SAN DIEGO PERIMETER AREA. THE EXTERNAL PERIMETER AREA OF NAVAL BASE SAN DIEGO REMAINS A POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS LOCATION, ESPECIALLY DURING DARKNESS. THIS AREA SHOULD BE AVOIDED.

6.C. TROLLEY STATIONS. MANY TROLLEY STATIONS BECOME POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS AREAS AFTER TROLLY SERVICES SECURE, ESPECIALLY AT PALOMAR STREET AND SAN YSIDRO. PERSONNEL SHOULD FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH TROLLEY OPERATING HOURS.

6.D. MEXICO TRAVEL POLICY:

6.D.(1) MCIWEST HAS CONTINUED TO CAREFULLY MONITOR THE VIOLENCE IN MEXICO ASSOCIATED WITH THE ONGOING WAR BETWEEN RIVAL DRUG CARTELS AND HAS NOTED THE INCREASED RISK FOR MCIWEST PERSONNEL CONSIDERING TRAVEL TO MEXICO. DUE TO THE CHANGING METRICS WHERE VIOLENCE IS OCCURRING, MCIWEST WILL EXTEND THE CURRENT LIBERTY POLICY TO A STANDING POLICY FOR ALL TRAVEL TO MEXICO. MCIWEST WILL CONTINUE TO ASSESS THE SITUATION AND RELAX OR TIGHTEN THESE POLICIES ACCORDINGLY.

6.D.(2) CG MCIWEST DIRECTS THAT COMMANDERS WILL ENSURE ALL MCIWEST PERSONNEL TRAVELING TO MEXICO ON LEAVE OR LIBERTY POSSESS AUTHORIZATION SIGNED BY THE FIRST O-5 OR HIGHER IN THE TRAVELER'S CHAIN OF COMMAND. THIS POLICY IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND IS IN EFFECT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. THIS POLICY APPLIES TO ALL TRAVELERS, INCLUDING PERSONNEL WHO REGULARLY COMMUTE TO A PERMANENT RESIDENCE IN MEXICO, AND OR TO THOSE WHO FREQUENTLY VISIT NEXT OF KIN OR IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS WITHIN MEXICO.

6.D.(3) THE USE OF THE SIGNED AUTHORIZATION FOR ALL TRAVEL, INCLUDING LEAVE OR OFFICAL BUSINESS, ENSURES A SINGLE APPROVAL PROCESS FOR ANY TYPE TRAVEL TO THE AREA. THE USE OF THE AUTHORIZATION DOES NOT NEGATE THE NEED TO FOLLOW STANDARD LEAVE OR OFFICAL TRAVEL PROCEDURES. AN APPROVED AUTHORIZATION IS REQUIRED FOR EACH VISIT. FREQUENT TRAVELERS, DUE TO OFFICIAL BUSINESS, PERMANENT RESIDENCE, OR PRESENCE OF IMMEDIATE FAMILY, MAY BE GRANTED APPROVAL COVERING TRAVEL OVER A PERIOD OF UP TO THIRTY DAYS, AT THE DISCRETION OF THEIR COMMANDER.

6.D.(4) THE FOLLOWING MEASURES WILL BE TAKEN IN ADDITION TO AN APPROVED SIGNED AUTHORIZATION PER REF F:

6.D.(4)(A) LEVEL 1 ANTI-TERRORISM TRAINING WILL BE COMPLETED WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS PRIOR TO TRAVELING TO MEXICO. THIS BRIEF CAN BE COMPLETED ONLINE AT WWW.AT-AWARENESS.ORG OR BY A CERTIFIED LEVEL II ANTI-TERRORISM OFFICER. CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION OR ATTENDANCE ROSTER MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE LEAVE/LIBERTY REQUEST.

6.D.(4)(B) COMMUNICATIONS PLAN - EACH MEMBER ON LEAVE OR LIBERTY IN MEXICO MUST HAVE IN THEIR POSSESSION THE FOLLOWING PHONE NUMBERS IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY.

6.D.(4)(B)(1) AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL: LOCATED AT AVE. TAPACHULA #96, COLONIA HIPODROMO 22420 TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA, MEXICO. TEL: 01152-664-622-7400; DUTY PHONE: (619) 692-2154

6.D.(4)(B)(2) BORDER SHORE PATROL: (619) 428-2427/1318 (COLLECT CALLS ACCEPTED)

EMERGENCY BORDER SHORE PATROL CELL NUMBER (619) 572-1584

6.D.(4)(B)(3) MEMBER'S COMMAND DUTY PHONE NUMBER.

NOTE: IF A MEMBER IS NOT GOING TO THE TIJUANA MEXICO AREA, THEY WILL SUBSTITUTE THE TIJUANA NUMBER FOR THE NEAREST U.S. EMBASSY/CONSULATE OFFICE.

6.D.(4) C ALL PERSONNEL WILL USE THE BUDDY SYSTEM. A BUDDY IS ANY INDIVIDUAL, MILITARY OR CIVILIAN, THAT IS OVER THE AGE OF 18. THE NAME OF THE INDIVIDUAL WILL BE ON THE AUTHORIZATION. THIS REQUIREMENT MAY BE WAIVED FOR PERSONNEL ON LEAVE VISITING FAMILY OR PERMANENT RESIDENTS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COMMANDER.

6.D.(4)(D) ALL PERSONNEL WILL RECEIVE A SECURITY BRIEF FOR THE AREA(S) OF TRAVEL.

6.D.(4)(E) ALL PERSONNEL WILL REGISTER ONLINE WITH THE AMERICAN CONSULATE PRIOR TO TRAVEL TO MEXICO AT

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PERMANENT RESIDENTS WILL REGISTER THEIR RESIDENCE WITH THE EMBASSY OR CONSULATE OFFICE.

6.D.(5) UNIT COMMANDERS WILL MAINTAIN AN ACCURATE ROSTER OF ALL PERSONNEL TRAVELING TO MEXICO, MAINTAINING RESIDENCE IN MEXICO, AND OR HAVE NOK/IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS IN MEXICO.

6.D.(6) THERE IS NO STATUS OF FORCES AGREEMENT (SOFA) WITH MEXICO. U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL SHOULD UNDERSTAND THEIR MILITARY STATUS GIVES THEM NO SPECIAL RIGHTS OR PROTECTIONS BEYOND THAT OF AN ORDINARY AMERICAN TOURIST IN MEXICO.

6.D.(7) WHEN DRIVING INTO MEXICO, OBTAINING MEXICAN AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COVERAGE IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED. WITHOUT PROOF OF MEXICAN INSURANCE, OR OTHER IMMEDIATE FINANCIAL RESOURCES, PERSONS INVOLVED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS MAY BE HELD IN JAIL INDEFINITELY UNTIL ISSUES OF CRIMINAL AND CIVIL LIABILITY ARE RESOLVED.

6.D.(8) MILITARY EQUIPMENT SUCH AS 782 GEAR, HELMETS, MAGAZINES, ETC., ARE CONSIDERED WEAPONRY UNDER MEXICAN LAW. SERVICE MEMBERS WHO ARE SEARCHED AT INTERIOR CHECK-POINTS OR AT BORDER CROSSINGS MAY BE SUBJECT TO DETENTION OR INCARCERATION FOR HAVING THIS TYPE OF EQUIPMENT IN THEIR VEHICLES. SERVICE MEMBERS MUST ENSURE THIS EQUIPMENT IS NOT TAKEN INTO MEXICO UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

6.D.(9) PERSONNEL SHOULD NOT RESIST LAWFUL ARREST OR ATTEMPT TO "SETTLE" DISPUTES BY OFFERING OR GIVING MONEY TO POLICE. PAYMENT OF MONEY SHOULD ONLY BE DONE BEFORE A PROPER COURT OFFICIAL.

6.D.(10) ALL LIBERTY INCIDENTS OCCURRING IN MEXICO SHOULD BE REPORTED TO THE BORDER SHORE PATROL (BSP) IMMEDIATELY, ESPECIALLY INCIDENTS INVOLVING ALLEGATIONS OF EXTORTION OR ASSAULT BY MEXICAN POLICE OR UNIFORMED PRIVATE SECURITY PERSONNEL (SUCH AS CLUB BOUNCERS).

6.D.(11) THE BSP IS LOCATED ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE CUSTOMS BUILDING ON THE U.S. SIDE OF THE SAN YSIDRO BORDER CROSSING. THE TELEPHONE NUMBERS FROM THE U.S. IS (619) 428-2427 OR 1318. IF CALLING FROM MEXICO, USE THE LONG DISTANCE OPERATOR WHO WILL THEN MAKE THE CONNECTION TO THE BSP. COLLECT CALLS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

6.D.(12) BSP MAKES FREQUENT VISITS TO ALL TIJUANA AREA JAILS. IF ARRESTED BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES, U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL SHOULD IMMEDIATELY IDENTIFY THEMSELVES AND COOPERATE. MOST TIJUANA JAILS WILL ALLOW U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL TO TELEPHONE THE BSP. IN ADDITION TO THE BSP, EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. CONSULATE IN TIJUANA, THE U.S. CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICE, (FORMERLY CALLED IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE), U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE, AND THE U.S. BORDER PATROL WILL ASSIST MILITARY PERSONNEL.

6.D.(13) THIS LEAVE AND LIBERTY POLICY ESTABLISHES MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS THAT WILL NOT BE SUPERSEDED BY LOCAL COMMAND POLICIES. INDIVIDUAL COMMANDERS RETAIN THE AUTHORITY TO INCREASE RESTRICTIONS BASED ON INDICATIONS AND WARNINGS (I&W).

6.D.(14) ALL COMMANDS ARE REQUIRED TO ENSURE THAT THIS POLICY REACHES ALL HANDS. ESPECIALLY PERSONNEL RETURNING FROM DEPLOYMENT PRIOR TO POST-DEPLOYMENT LEAVE AND LIBERTY.

6.D.(15) QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THIS POLICY CAN BE DIRECTED TO THE POCS LISTED ABOVE.

7. PREDATORY LENDERS. AS INDICATED IN REF C, THERE HAS BEEN AN ALARMING RISE IN THE NUMBER OF SAILORS AND MARINES WHO UNWISELY TURN TO PREDATORY LENDERS CHARGING EXORBITANT INTEREST RATES TO SOLVE FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES. IN ADDITION TO JEOPARDIZING THEIR CAREERS, SERVICE MEMBERS ARE PUTTING THEIR PERSONAL AND

FINANCIAL WELL-BEING AT GREAT RISK. SERVICE MEMBERS WHO NEED FINANCIAL HELP SHOULD START WITH THEIR COMMAND FINANCIAL ADVISOR AND THEIR LOCAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE OFFICE. THE LEGAL ASSISTANCE OFFICE IS A GREAT RESOURCE FOR REVIEWING LOAN AGREEMENTS AND ASSISTING MEMBERS IN EXERCISING THEIR LEGAL RIGHTS AS CONSUMERS. CALIFORNIA LAW ALLOWS THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS TO ENFORCE FEDERAL RESTRICTIONS THAT CAP INTEREST RATES AT 36% ON CONSUMER LOANS TO MILITARY MEMBERS. IF YOU ENCOUNTER VIOLATIONS OF THIS LAW, FILE A REPORT WITH THE LOCAL OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS, TELEPHONE (619) 525-4233. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOW YOU CAN AVOID BECOMING A VICTIM OF FINANCIAL AND INVESTMENT FRAUD, LOG ONTO WWW.CORP.CA.GOV AND SCROLL DOWN TO TROOPS AGAINST PREDATORY SCAMS (TAPS). THE NAVY-MARINE CORPS RELIEF SOCIETY MAY PROVIDE INTEREST FREE GRANTS OR LOANS AS A LAST RESORT.

8. EDUCATION AND COLLEGE LEVEL EXAMINATION PROGRAM (CLEP) SCHEMES. CLEP IS A LEGITIMATE EDUCATION PLATFORM FOR GAINING COLLEGE CREDIT AND IS ENDORSED BY THE AMERICAN COUNCIL ON EDUCATION. THE MOST UP TO DATE CLEP MATERIALS ARE AVAILABLE TO SERVICE MEMBERS FREE OF CHARGE AT INSTALLATION EDUCATION CENTERS. TESTING FEES FOR THE EXAMINATION ARE WAIVED. SERVICE MEMBERS SHOULD BE AWARE OF BUSINESSES THAT ENGAGE IN UNFAIR BUSINESS PRACTICES BY DECEIVING SERVICE MEMBERS INTO THINKING THAT CLEP MATERIALS COME AT A COST. THESE BUSINESSES MAY ENTICE SERVICE MEMBERS INTO PURCHASING CLEP MATERIALS BY OFFERING FREE PALM PILOTS, LAPTOP COMPUTERS, OR IPODS. THE CLEP MATERIALS AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES ARE OUTDATED AND WORTH LITTLE COMPARED TO THE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS SPENT UNDER THE CONTRACT. SERVICE MEMBERS ARE ADVISED TO USE INSTALLATION EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS FREE OF CHARGE AND AVOID ENTERING INTO CONTRACTS WITH THESE TYPES OF BUSINESSES.

9. OFF-BASE DEMONSTRATIONS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF (D), SERVICE MEMBERS ARE REMINDED THAT PARTICIPATION IN OFF-BASE DEMONSTRATIONS, SUCH AS MINUTEMEN PROTESTS, WHERE A BREACH OF LAW AND ORDER OR VIOLENCE IS LIKELY TO OCCUR, IS PROHIBITED. REF (E) DELINEATES PROHIBITIONS FOR UNIFORM WEAR WHEN PARTICIPATING IN PICKET LINES, MARCHES, RALLIES OR ANY PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION, WHICH MAY IMPLY MILITARY SANCTION OF THE CAUSE FOR WHICH THE DEMONSTRATION OR ACTIVITY IS CONDUCTED.

10. THIS MESSAGE REMAINS EFFECTIVE UNTIL CANCELLED OR SUPERCEDED.//