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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Force Protection of Personnel on Unofficial Travel

This memorandum expires in 1 year.

1. Reference message, HQ USAREUR/7A, AEAGC-FP, 281709Z June 2002, subject: 4th Qtr FY02 Travel Guidance (available on the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations (ODCSOPS), HQ USAREUR/7A, Website (para 3a)).

2. The message referenced in paragraph 1—

a. Requires commanders and supervisors to provide for the force protection of DOD military and civilian personnel and their family members who travel or take part in outings.

b. Applies to all commanders and other leave- and pass-approving officials, regardless of their organizational level or echelon.

c. Provides the latest travel guidance and information on travel restrictions.

3. Commanders and supervisors will ensure that DOD military and civilian personnel who plan to travel individually or in groups are provided access to the following websites and use them to review the applicable information before they travel:

a. The ODCSOPS Website at <https://www.odcsops.hqusareur.army.mil/divisions/forcepro/forceprotection/web%20documents/messages/message%20directory.htm>. This website provides information on travel warnings and force protection. Travel updates are posted on this website each fiscal quarter.

b. The U.S. Department of State Website at <http://www.state.gov/travel>. This website provides travel warnings, consular information sheets, and public announcements.

c. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Website at <http://www.cdc.gov>. This website provides health-related information for different regions around the world.

4. Before commanders and supervisors approve leaves or passes, they will ensure that the DOD military and civilian personnel who are requesting the leave or pass are briefed on force protection considerations that apply to their destination and to the route they plan to travel to and from that destination.

*This memorandum is available at <https://www.aeaim.hqusareur.army.mil/library/home.htm>.*

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5. Commanders and supervisors will not approve leaves, passes, or outings involving individual or group travel to or through any destination deemed to have an unacceptable risk condition. Soldiers and USAREUR-sponsored groups planning to travel to or through locations—

a. For which a U.S. Department of State travel warning is in effect must obtain approval to travel from their general officer senior tactical commander.

b. Where health conditions are substandard or the risk of terrorism, criminal activity, civil unrest, or instability is high must receive a country-specific threat briefing before traveling.

6. When personnel plan to participate in group tours, commanders and supervisors will ensure that the destination, route, tour group, and tour leaders are appropriate. Before personnel initiate a contract for travel or an excursion, commanders and supervisors will ensure that the tour and trip sponsor are assessed for force protection concerns and that the force protection measures in this memorandum are observed.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

  
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