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NAF MISAWA JA  
COMFLEACT YOKOSUKA JA  
RUOIAAA/COMFLEACT OKINAWA JA  
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SUBJ/COMSEVENTHFLT/COMNAVFORJAPAN CURFEW LIBERTY POLICY//  
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NARR/REF A IS COMUSFORJAPAN COMMAND POLICY, GENERAL ORDER REGULATING  
OFF-INSTALLATION CURFEW AND TRAINING. REF B IS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED  
COMSEVENTHFLT/COMNAVFORJAPAN JOINT LIBERTY POLICY MESSAGE THAT  
IMPLEMENTED REF C. REF D IS COMNAVFORJAPANINST 5800.47B LIMITATION  
ON CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL BY ACTIVE DUTY NAVY PERSONNEL ASSIGNED OR  
ATTACHED TO ASHORE/AFLOAT COMMANDS AT, VISITING, OR FORWARD DEPLOYED  
TO JAPAN.//  
RMKS/1. THIS MESSAGE IMPLEMENTS REF A AND ESTABLISHES UPDATED  
LIBERTY AND CURFEW POLICY FOR ALL NAVAL FORCES LOCATED IN JAPAN  
(EFFECTIVE 9 DEC IAW REF A).  
2. ALL OTHER LIBERTY POLICY MESSAGES ARE HEREBY SUPERSEDED AND  
CANCELED. ALL OKINAWA SPECIFIC PROVISIONS ARE HEREBY RESCINDED.  
3. BACKGROUND. THE STATUS OF FORCES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED  
STATES AND JAPAN CALLS ON MEMBERS OF THE U.S. ARMED FORCES, THE  
CIVILIAN COMPONENT AND THEIR DEPENDENTS TO RESPECT THE LAW OF JAPAN  
AND TO ABSTAIN FROM ANY ACTIVITY INCONSISTENT WITH THE SPIRIT OF  
THIS AGREEMENT.  
4.A. CONSISTENT WITH REF A, COMSEVENTHFLT, COMNAVFORJAPAN, AND  
COMNAVREGJAPAN IMPLEMENT THE FOLLOWING POLICY.  
4.B. THE INTENT OF THIS POLICY IS TO SAFEGUARD THE VITAL  
RELATIONSHIP WE HAVE WITH JAPAN AND BOLSTER MILITARY READINESS IN  
ORDER TO MORE EFFICIENTLY MEET OUR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE TREATY OF

MUTUAL COOPERATION AND SECURITY, WHICH INCREASES U.S. ABILITY TO DEFEND JAPAN AND PROVIDE REGIONAL STABILITY.

5. APPLICABILITY. THIS POLICY APPLIES TO ALL UNIFORMED U.S. NAVY SERVICE MEMBERS AND UNITS LOCATED IN THE GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES OF JAPAN AND ALL UNITS UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE, TACTICAL, OR OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF COMSEVENTHFLT, COMNAVFORJAPAN, OR COMNAVREGJAPAN. DEPENDENTS OF APPLICABLE SERVICE MEMBERS AND U.S. NAVY CIVILIANS AND CONTRACTORS ARE REQUESTED TO OBSERVE THE SPIRIT AND INTENT OF THIS POLICY.

6. LIBERTY POLICY.

6.A. CURFEW. MILITARY PERSONNEL, INCLUDING THOSE IN A TDY/TAD, LEAVE, AND NORMAL OR SPECIAL LIBERTY STATUS IN JAPAN, IN THE PAYGRADE OF E-5 AND BELOW, ARE SUBJECT TO CURFEW BETWEEN 0100 AND 0500. DURING CURFEW HOURS, MILITARY MEMBERS SUBJECT TO THE CURFEW MUST EITHER BE (1) ON U.S. MILITARY INSTALLATION; (2) IN AN OFF-INSTALLATION RESIDENCE, QUARTERS, OR LODGING (E.G. HOTEL); OR (3) IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES (INCLUDING DUTY RELATED/COMMUTE TRAVEL BETWEEN AN OFF-INSTALLATION RESIDENCE, QUARTERS, OR LODGING AND PLACE OF DUTY).

6.A.1. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS ARE DOD INSTALLATIONS, BASES, POSTS, CAMPS, STATIONS AND SHIPS. THIS INCLUDES DOD-CONTROLLED FACILITIES, SUCH AS DOD LODGING, AND ARMED FORCES RECREATION FACILITIES OR AREAS. THE NEW SANNO HOTEL, HARDY BARRACKS COMPOUND, OKUMA RECREATION AREA, AND SIMILAR FACILITIES OR AREAS, ARE CONSIDERED MILITARY INSTALLATIONS. U.S. MILITARY MEMBERS MAY REMAIN IN LOUNGES/BARS/CASINOS AND ALL OTHER AREAS WITHIN THOSE INSTALLATIONS, EVEN DURING CURFEW HOURS.

6.A.2. OFF-INSTALLATION RESIDENCE, QUARTERS, OR LODGING MAY BELONG TO THE MILITARY MEMBER OR BELONG TO ANOTHER PERSON, PROVIDED THAT THE MILITARY MEMBER REMAINS THERE OVERNIGHT, DURING CURFEW HOURS. THE INTENT IS TO ENSURE THAT MILITARY MEMBERS, WHO ARE SUBJECT TO THE CURFEW, ARE NOT OUTSIDE A MILITARY INSTALLATION, IN PUBLIC, DURING CURFEW HOURS.

6.A.3. AUTHORIZED COMMANDERS MAY GRANT CURFEW EXCEPTIONS ON AN INDIVIDUAL CASE BY CASE BASIS FOR SPECIFIC EVENTS (I.E. MWR TRIPS, COMMAND SPONSORED EVENTS, ETC.). COMMANDS SHALL NOT GRANT GENERAL WAIVERS FOR UNLIMITED TIME BASED ON SUBJECTIVE STANDARDS (I.E. OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE OF DUTY, ACHIEVEMENT OF A GOAL OR MILESTONE, NO PRIOR MISCONDUCT, ETC.).

6.A.3.1. AUTHORIZED COMMANDER IS DEFINED AS ANY COMMANDER, COMMANDING OFFICER, OR OFFICER-IN-CHARGE OF THE RANK O-4 AND ABOVE THAT HAS THE AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE NONJUDICIAL PUNISHMENT PER JAGMAN 0106.

6.B. THE TIMES FOR OFF-INSTALLATION PUBLIC CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL WILL BE IAW REF C, WHICH STATES ALL MILITARY PERSONNEL, REGARDLESS OF GRADE, ARE PROHIBITED PUBLIC CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL BETWEEN 0000 AND 0500 (ON ALL DAYS, INCLUDING HOLIDAYS). PUBLIC CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL IS ANY CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL OFF OF A MILITARY

INSTALLATION, EXCEPT WHEN IN AN OFF-INSTALLATION RESIDENCE, QUARTERS, OR LODGING.

6.C. LIBERTY BUDDY. ALL MILITARY PERSONNEL IN THE GRADES OF E-5 AND BELOW WHO ARE IN A TDY/TAD STATUS, LEAVE, OR PASS STATUS IN JAPAN, OR WHO ARE DEPLOYED TO JAPAN SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY A LIBERTY BUDDY FROM 2200 TO 0500 WHEN ON LIBERTY, WHEN OFF A MILITARY INSTALLATION. IT IS NOT APPLICABLE TO MILITARY PERSONNEL PERMANENTLY ASSIGNED ON PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION ORDERS IN JAPAN OR TO PERSONNEL DEPLOYED ON ORDERS TO JAPAN FOR 150 DAYS OR MORE AS PART OF A UNIT DEPLOYMENT. THIS DOES NOT PRECLUDE UNIT COMMANDERS FROM EXERCISING THEIR AUTHORITY TO DIRECT LIBERTY BUDDIES BASED ON LOCAL CIRCUMSTANCES WHILE THE UNIT IS AWAY FROM ITS HOME PORT IN JAPAN.

6.C.1. PERSONNEL MAY TRANSIT UNACCOMPANIED DIRECTLY BETWEEN THEIR AUTHORIZED RESIDENCE AND A MILITARY INSTALLATION OR BETWEEN MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.

6.C.2. FOR SUCH PERSONNEL WHO ARE PICKING UP OR DROPPING OFF THEIR LIBERTY BUDDY AT THE LIBERTY BUDDY'S AUTHORIZED RESIDENCE, THEY MAY TRAVEL UNACCOMPANIED DIRECTLY FROM/TO THEIR OWN AUTHORIZED RESIDENCE.

6.C.2.A. AN AUTHORIZED RESIDENCE IS DEFINED AS AN OFF-INSTALLATION RESIDENCE, QUARTERS, OR LODGING.

6.C.3. A LIBERTY BUDDY MAY BE: (A) AN ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY MEMBER; (B) ANOTHER PERSON WITH SOFA STATUS (FOR EXAMPLE, A SPOUSE, ACCOMPANIED FAMILY MEMBER, OR A U.S. DOD CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE); (C) OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS; OR (D) ANOTHER RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUAL, INCLUDING A NON-U.S. NATIONAL, WHO HAS BEEN APPROVED BY AN AUTHORIZED COMMANDER.

6.C.4. AUTHORIZED COMMANDER MAY GRANT INDIVIDUAL, CASE-BY-CASE EXCEPTIONS TO THIS LIBERTY BUDDY POLICY FOR SPECIFIC EVENTS (I.E. MWR TRIPS, COMMAND SPONSORED EVENTS, ETC.). COMMANDS SHALL NOT GRANT GENERAL WAIVERS FOR UNLIMITED TIME BASED ON SUBJECTIVE STANDARDS (I.E. OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE OF DUTY, ACHIEVEMENT OF A GOAL OR MILESTONE, NO PRIOR MISCONDUCT, ETC.).

6.C.4.1. AUTHORIZED COMMANDER IS DEFINED AS ANY COMMANDER, COMMANDING OFFICER, OR OFFICER-IN-CHARGE OF THE RANK OF O-4 AND ABOVE THAT HAS AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE NONJUDICIAL PUNISHMENT PER JAGMAN 0106.

6.D. THIS POLICY IS A LAWFUL GENERAL ORDER AND ANY VIOLATION OF PARAGRAPHS 6.A. THROUGH 6.C.4.1. ABOVE IS A VIOLATION OF THE UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE (UCMJ) AND MAY BE SUBJECT THE MILITARY MEMBER TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION UNDER THE UCMJ AS A VIOLATION OF UCMJ ARTICLE 92.

7. TRAINING PREREQUISITE. BEFORE A COMMANDER, COMMANDING OFFICER, OR OFFICER-IN-CHARGE GRANTS ANY MILITARY MEMBER LIBERTY OFF-INSTALLATION, THE MILITARY MEMBER MUST HAVE COMPLETED SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND RESPONSE TRAINING AND JAPAN INDOCTRINATION TRAINING WITH ADDED EMPHASIS ON SERVICE CORE VALUES WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS. WHERE POSSIBLE, IN-PERSON TRAINING SHOULD BE CONDUCTED.

FOR OTHER INDIVIDUALS (I.E., CONUS BASED PERSONNEL WHO ARE IN JAPAN  
IN TDY/TAD OR LEAVE STATUS), TRAINING MAY BE CONDUCTED  
ELECTRONICALLY.//

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