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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: United States Forces Korea (USFK) Command Policy Letter #6, Prohibited Substances

1. Applicability. This policy applies to anyone residing in or transiting through Korea: Service Members, federal civilian employees, invited contractors, and technical representatives, and dependents. Violations of this policy may result in punitive actions.

2. Background.

a. A trend of abusing substances has emerged in Korea among USFK personnel. Many of these substances are illegal in Korea and also fall within the purview of references a through d below. Although not on the U.S. controlled substance list (Title 21, United States Code, Section 812), they are capable of, and are increasingly marketed and/or distributed for the purpose of producing excitement, intoxication, and/or stupefaction of the central nervous system.

b. The unregulated and unpredictable nature of the substances causes all of the following potential consequences of ingestion, inhalation, or injection: people may suffer adverse physical reactions, have an impaired ability to perform their duty in a safe and competent manner, or may engage in unlawful or dangerous behavior due to impaired judgment. There are no legitimate medical uses of the substances listed in paragraph 3 below.

3. Prohibition. In order to ensure military readiness, safeguard the health and wellness of the force, and maintain good order and discipline, the knowing use of any intoxicating substance (other than the lawful use of alcohol, tobacco, caffeine, and medications) that is inhaled, injected, consumed, or introduced into the body in any manner to alter mood or function is prohibited. These substances include, but are not limited to:

- Controlled substance analogues (e.g., designer drugs such as "spice" that are not otherwise controlled substances) and naturally occurring intoxicating substances (e.g., salvia divinorum) that are capable of inducing, and that are or will be marketed and/or distributed with the intent to induce excitement, intoxication, and/or stupefaction of the central nervous system.
- Inhalants, propellants, solvents, household chemicals, and other substances used for "huffing."

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- Prescription or over-the-counter medications when used in a manner contrary to their intended medical purpose or in excess of the prescribed dosage.

Also prohibited is the possession of these intoxication substances, if done with the intent to use in a manner that would alter mood or function. Failure to comply with these prohibitions is a violation of Article 92, UCMJ.

4. This policy remains in effect until rescinded or superseded.

5. Point of contact for this policy letter is IMCOM-Pacific Forward (IMCOM-P), DSN: 738-3445. For help or questions about substance abuse, contact a service substance abuse counselor, such as a counselor from the Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP).

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References:

- a. Department of Defense Instruction 1010.01 Military Personnel Drug Abuse Testing Program (MPDATP), 13 September, 2012.
- b. Army Regulation 600-85, The Army Substance Abuse Program, 28 December 2012.
- c. Secretary of the Navy Instruction 5300.28E, Military Substance Abuse Prevention and Control, 23 May 2011.
- d. Air Force Instruction 44-121, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment (ADAPT) Program, 11 April 2011.
- e. Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), 3 January 2012.