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MEMORANDUM FOR Incoming Personnel

SUBJECT: 25th Infantry Division Sponsor and Newcomer Information

**1. Purpose.** To provide 25th Infantry Division Incoming Personnel with an overview of Crime, Weather, Safety / Health Trends, and Off-Limits Establishments on the Island of Oahu.

**2. References.**

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 385-10, The Army Safety Program, 24 February 2017.
- b. U.S. Army Hawaii Policy Letter #29 - Motorcycle Safety, 01 June 2019.
- c. Memorandum for Record, U.S. Army Garrison Hawaii Off-Limits Establishments, dated 14 June 2018.
- d. U.S. Army Hawaii Blue Book, 23 February 2018.

**3. Crime Trends.** The below provides an overview of unsafe areas and crime trends on Oahu.

a. Unsafe Areas are not limited to downtown and may include certain residential and beach areas.

b. Crime Trends.

(1) Car Break-Ins. Common at hotels and tourist destination parking lots, to include the North Shore, Diamond Head, Pali Lookout, Hanauma Bay, Honolulu Zoo, and the USS Arizona Memorial.

(2) Theft of Belongings at Local Beaches. Includes, but is not limited to, purses, wallets, credit cards, and loose money.

**4. Off-Limits Structures and Areas.**

a. Individuals will not enter off-limits or restricted areas in accordance with USAG-HI Off-Limits Establishments, dated 14 June 2018, and U.S. Army Hawaii Blue Book, dated 23 February 2018.

b. The below establishments are currently off-limits to all U.S. Army Soldiers in Hawaii.

(1) Hawaii Natural High, 465 Kapahulu Avenue, Honolulu, Hawaii 96815.

(2) HI Supply Smoke Shop, 45-1117 Kamehameha Highway, Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744.

(3) Haiku Stairs (also known as "Stairway to Heaven" or "Kaiku Ladder") with access at Makena St, Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744.

c. Additional Off-Limits Areas (include but are not limited to).

(1) Island Palm Communities (IPC) residential areas by non-residents, with the below exceptions.

(a) IPC Residential Guests.

(b) Chain of Command Supervised Formations.

(c) USAG-HI Approved Physical Training or Activities (along approved physical training or activity routes outlined in U.S. Army Hawaii Blue Book).

(d) Personnel Authorized by the USAG-HI or USAG/PTA Commander (determined to have legitimate business in the area).

(2) Vacant structures and storage and supply buildings or areas.

(3) Golf courses, except for employees and authorized patrons.

(4) All ranges and training areas, unless specifically authorized.

(5) Establishments placed off-limits by the Armed Forces Disciplinary Control Board under the provisions of AR 190-24 and listed in the U.S. Army Hawaii Blue Book.

## **5. Weather.**

a. Hurricane Season. Runs from the start of June to the end of November.

b. Families should have Hurricane Disaster Preparedness Kits in their homes. The kits should include: 14 x day supply of food and water for each person, battery operated radio, 14 x day supply of hygiene items and a portable emergency kit (utilized when evacuating to a shelter).

c. Accurate and up to date weather and hurricane preparedness information can be found at <http://dod.hawaii.gov/hiema/>.

## **6. Safety and Health.**

a. On Duty (Tactical) – Most Common Training Related Accidents.

(1) Mounted Vehicular Accidents. Convoys following too close, Soldiers being pinched between vehicles, and fingers pinched in doors and hatches.

(2) Dismounted Vehicular Accidents. Slips, trips and falls during tactical foot march and training. Sleeping under and around vehicles in tactical sleeping areas.

b. Off Duty (Non-Tactical) – Most Common Accidents.

(1) Motorcycle Accidents.

(a) 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division and USARHAW personnel will adhere and operate a motorcycle in accordance with USARHAW Motorcycle Policy #29.

(b) Licensing. All motorcycles (MC) must be properly registered and operators properly licensed in accordance with state and local law and policy in order to operate on USARHAW installations. In accordance with AR 385-10, all military riders, on or off post, will possess a Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) or Motorcycle Defensive Driving Course (MDDC) certification card prior to operating a MC.

(c) Mandatory Motorcycle Training. All military riders will complete the progressive training described in AR 385-10. Per AR 385-10, prior to the operation of any MC, on or off the installation, all Soldiers must successfully complete an appropriate MSF based Basic Rider's Course (BRC) or state approved curriculum for rider's safety training.

(d) Motor Cycle Basic Rider Course Registration is can be found at <https://training.msf-usa.org>.

(2) Traffic Accidents. Information regarding traffic accidents and risk mitigation can be found at <https://www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/safety> (USAG-HI Traffic Safety Training Program).

(3) Hiking Hazards.

(a) Landslides, Flash Floods & Heavy Rains, Steep Ridges, Unapproved Trails, and Falling Rocks constitute the majority of hiking related injuries.

(b) Additional information regarding hiking hazards and risk mitigation can be found at <http://www.hawaiitrails.org/>, <http://www.hawaii.gov/dlnr/brochures/HikingSafety.pdf>, and <https://www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/>.

(4) Beach Hazards.

(a) Drowning, Large Waves, Strong Currents, Shore-breaks, Uprush, Backwash, Exposed Reef, Sun and Wind, and Blow Holes constitute the majority of beach related injuries.

(b) Additional information regarding beach hazards and risk mitigation can be found at <http://www.hawaiibeachsafety.com..>

c. Oahu Specific Health Considerations

(1) Dengue Fever.

(a) Dengue is a viral illness spread by mosquitoes. The most effective protective measure is avoiding mosquito bites.

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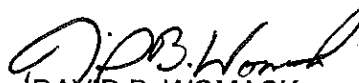
(b) Additional information regarding Dengue Fever and risk mitigation can be found at <https://www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil>.

(2) Leptospirosis.

(a) Leptospirosis is a bacterial disease that affects humans and animals and is most often contracted by swimming or wading in freshwater puddles, ponds or streams.

(b) Additional information regarding Leptospirosis and risk mitigation can be found at <https://www.hawaiigaga.com/HealthGuide.aspx>.

**5. Point of Contact.** The 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Provost Marshal, Lieutenant Colonel Steven M. Devitt, is the point of contact for this memorandum and can be contacted at 808-787-5461 or [steven.m.devitt.mil@mail.mil](mailto:steven.m.devitt.mil@mail.mil).

  
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