MEDIA GROUND RULES

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Media Ground Rules on FHL

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Whereas, I (name of media representative) _____ has been invited to participate in military operations and allowed to photograph and videotape these operations, the following ground rules are set forth:

1) Since Fort Hunter Liggett is in a desert location and there are many hazards associated with the area. Those hazards include but are not limited to such things as snakes and ground squirrel holes. Because of these hazards you agree to be aware of your surroundings and responsible for your own safety at all times.
2) Fort Hunter Liggett trains the most up to date and effective techniques available in today's Army. Because of this, you are directed to not photograph or video tape ***complete sequences*** of training classes including tactics and techniques used. This could be a violation of training security that we cannot release for general consumption.
3) We request you adhere to our preset timelines for everyone's professional deadlines.
4) We ask that you not separate yourself from the main body of the media group, and that you will not photograph or videotape any item or operation that you have been specifically told NOT to photograph.
5) All interviews with service members will be on the record unless otherwise stated by the designated PAO.
6) Media must be physically fit and able to carry their own equipment/gear. If, in the opinion of the commander, a media representative is unable to withstand the rigorous conditions required to operate with the forward deployed forces, he/she will be medically evacuated out of the area.
7) Filming of Fort Hunter Liggett or other types of security badges is not authorized.
8) While in transit to and from a site visit at Fort Hunter Liggett, the media cannot act in a news gathering capacity. Filming, interviewing or photographing on any installation or transportation assets is not authorized unless approved and escorted by a public affairs officer responsible for that area.

Hold Harmless/Release From Liability Statement

1) I realize that covering security and military operations carries with it certain inherent risks to life, limb and equipment.
2) I recognize that Fort Hunter Liggett, in pursuing the successful accomplishment of their missions, cannot guarantee my personal safety or the safety of my equipment.
3) In my capacity as an authorized representative, I understand and agree that I, and the business, company or enterprise that I represent, will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless and release, acquit and forever discharge Fort Hunter Liggett and the U.S. government of any liability for any injuries I may suffer or any damage to any equipment that may occur as a result of my presence on Fort Hunter Liggett.
4) Acceptance of these ground rules is an agreement between you and the granting commands. You agree to follow the ground rules and the command will provide support, access to service members, information, and other privileges. Violation of ground rules may result in the revocation of your credentials.

I have read the aforementioned media ground rules and agree to abide by them. I also understand that violation of these ground rules may result in suspension or revocation of my Fort Hunter Liggett media credentials and expulsion from Fort Hunter Liggett operational areas and installations. I further understand that if I violate these terms, the media organization I am representing may be held accountable for my actions, which could include forfeiting the privilege of sponsoring media for Fort Hunter Liggett press credentials in the future.

Name _____ Job Title _____

Employer/ Employer Contact Information _____

Signature _____ Date _____

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Fort Hunter Liggett PAO Staff Printed Name

Fort Hunter Liggett PAO Staff Signature

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