

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY 21ST THEATER SUSTAINMENT COMMAND UNIT 23203 APO AE 09263-3203

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: 21 Theater Sustainment Command (21 TSC) Policy Memorandum 7, General Officer for Force Protection (GOFP) Off Access-Controlled Area Uniform Wear Guidance.

1. Reference:

- a. USEUCOM Antiterrorism (AT) OPORD 23-01, 20 JAN 23
- 2. Applicability: This guidance applies to all Army personnel under tactical control (TACON) for force protection (FP) of the 21 TSC Commanding General/GOFP, including United States Army Garrison (USAG) BENELUX, USAG Rheinland-Pfalz, forward sites within the Area Support Group (ASG) Balkans, ASG Black Sea, and deployed 21 TSC elements in areas without an assigned GOFP.
- 3. 21 TSC CG Guidance: While in uniform, limit activities in public, such as dining and convenience stops, to the time required to complete the task without loitering after. Personnel will make every effort to reduce their signature when off access-controlled areas and blend into the local community or environment. The following requirements will be adhered to:
- a. Uniform wear is authorized during transit in automobiles, motorcycles, bicycles, and as pedestrians within the local commuting area. (Local commuting area is from residence to place of duty.)
- b. Uniform wear within the local commuting area is authorized for activities in public areas, such as shopping, restaurants, hotels, convenience stops, and getting fuel provided personnel do so expeditiously.
- c. Army fitness uniform wear is authorized during transit or during physical fitness training in the local commuting area. The only authorized stops while in the Army fitness uniform are for fuel or in the event of an emergency.
- d. Local commute involving travel by means of ridesharing, commercial/public transport, and terminals such as bus, taxi, and train is authorized, provided the most direct route possible is used.
 - e. If walking is the mode of transportation, make effort to minimize route length.

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- f. Personnel are permitted to travel to between DoD installations within the GOFP AOR in uniform while on official duty.
- g. Uniform wear is prohibited for all commercial air travel and movement to and from or in commercial terminals for long-distance travel.
- h. Uniform at drinking establishments or events promoting the consumption of alcohol is strictly prohibited.
- 4. This policy does not detract from the inherent authority and responsibility of commanders to protect personnel under their command. When threat warrants a change in security posture, local commanders may prescribe additional/more restrictive uniform wear policies. Commanders will report such changes to the GOFP via Protection staffing channels. Local commanders may not lower standards or establish guidance more lenient than specified in this policy. Appendix I of AER 525-13 directs uniform wear security requirements for personnel transiting or visiting areas not under US control.
- 5. Events such as conferences, balls, community activities, and other special events will still be evaluated IAW USAREUR-AF Regulation 525-13, Table J-1.
- 6. The point of contact for this memorandum is Mr. Jesus (David) Guzman at DSN 314-523-0936 or jesus.d.guzman.civ@army.mil.

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