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MEMORANDUM FOR All Service Members, Civilian Employees and Family Members Working or Residing in the USAG Stuttgart Area of Responsibility.

SUBJECT: USAG Stuttgart Command Policy Letter #18, Off-Post Uniform Wear

1. REFERENCES:

- a. HEADQUARTERS USEUCOM OPORD 18-11, Antiterrorism.
- b. USAREUR OPORD 0013-20, (FY20-FY21 Baseline FP Posture).
- c. AER 525-13, Antiterrorism.
- d. AR 525-13, Antiterrorism.

2. PURPOSE: To establish the USAG Stuttgart off-post uniform wear policy.

3. APPLICABILITY: This policy applies to all Department of Defense personnel assigned, attached, or in transit in the USAG Stuttgart area of responsibility, except those who fall under chief of mission responsibility for force protection. This policy does not apply during military missions (e.g. official ceremonies, band appearances, training events, etc.) or operations where the wearing of uniforms is consistent with the mission and mode of travel. Commanders may establish and enforce more stringent requirements on personnel within their organization as appropriate to the threat and circumstances, as they deem necessary.

4. GUIDELINES:

a. Personnel traveling within or transiting the USAG Stuttgart AOR via commercial means (e.g., aircraft, trains, buses, taxis, etc.) will wear civilian clothing. When possible, personnel will not carry items such as luggage and backpacks that readily convey a DoD affiliation. This includes camouflage pattern backpacks, military style backpacks, or duffel bags. Personnel traveling via military / military contract transportation will wear the uniform prescribed in applicable deployment or travel orders.

b. Uniforms will not be worn to off post restaurants/food vendors, shopping areas, theaters, or other high population venues.

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c. Exceptions to 4.a. and 4.b. above can be made for formal dinners, balls, and receptions when proper security measures have been taken. Off-installation gatherings in uniform of up to 299 personnel require a special event packet signed by the General Officer Force Protection (GOFP) submitted 45 days in advance IAW table J-1, AER 525-13, Antiterrorism. Off-installation events with 300 or more DoD personnel, regardless of uniform, require General/Flag officer approval and must be submitted to the Garrison Commander for approval 45 days in advance.

d. Service Members, when not attending off installation events for which uniforms are otherwise authorized per paragraph 4.c., are not authorized to wait in uniform in off installation establishments such as hotel lobbies and curbsides while awaiting transportation.

e. Any reference to uniforms in this memorandum includes physical fitness and JROTC uniforms.

f. Physical Training (PT) uniforms are not authorized to be worn off post. PT tests that must be conducted in a PT uniform will be conducted on post. Unit PT formation runs will not occur off post, regardless of uniform.

g. Members of the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) will comply with all uniform standards prescribed in this policy letter as cadets may be mistaken for service personnel.

h. Uniforms will not be worn when traveling by motorcycle/scooter, bicycle or foot. Personnel traveling on motorcycle/scooter, bicycle, or foot will not carry backpacks that readily convey DOD affiliation.

i. DOD personnel in off installation hotels may wear uniforms when departing or arriving in an enclosed private, government, or rental vehicle. Uniform wear in public areas of hotels, such as breakfast or dining room, bar, or fitness room, is prohibited.

j. Uniforms, when not worn, will be carried in an inconspicuous manner, out of plain sight. Specifically, Service Members should not utilize public transportation, walk or bike off installation while carrying their uniform in a transparent bag or uncovered on a hanger.

k. DoD conferences, and special events off post in the USAG Stuttgart AOR should be held in civilian clothes.

l. Service Members picking up personnel from the airport will wear civilian clothes.

m. Service Members are not authorized to wear miscellaneous uniform items such as cold weather or wet weather jackets and pants, regardless of whether the uniform

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items are part of current service uniforms (e.g., BDU, DCU), while participating in MWR, USO, or unit sponsored outdoor activities (skiing, snowboarding, hiking).

- n. Uniforms are authorized on shuttle buses at all FPCONs.
- o. Uniform wear while escorting children to/from or waiting at off-installation DODEA bus stops is prohibited.
- p. Uniform wear is authorized when representing the U.S. military at an official Host Nation (HN) function.
- q. Uniform wear while conducting military operations, training events and exercises is authorized. Commanders should minimize wear off US or HN military installations when possible.

5. During FPCON NORMAL, ALPHA, and BRAVO, wearing of military uniforms off U.S. or HN military installations and /or outside of other controlled environments is authorized only for:

- a. Direct vehicle travel among domicile and U.S. or HN military installations only while traveling via an enclosed private, government, or rental vehicle. Uniforms are not permitted on any form of public transportation, including taxis. Uniforms are not authorized to be worn for brief essential stops such as off installation childcare facilities or service stations or non-essential/convenience-related stops at fast food establishments, convenience stores, markets, or other related locations.
- b. Foot marches off post with military equipment. Uniform wear while conducting military operations, training events and exercises is authorized. Commanders should minimize wear off U.S. or HN military installations when possible.

6. During FPCON CHARLIE, wearing of military uniforms off U.S. or HN military installations and /or outside of other controlled environments is authorized only while traveling between home and work and to official functions.

- a. No PT off-post regardless of uniform.
- b. Foot marches off-post with military equipment is not authorized.

7. During FPCON DELTA, wearing of military uniforms off U.S. or HN military installations and /or outside of other controlled environments is not authorized except when traveling to and from command directed official functions.

8. The USAG Stuttgart Protection Working Group will conduct periodic reviews of this policy ensuring that it remains adjusted to local conditions, threats, and future guidance.

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9. The point of contact for this policy is the USAG Stuttgart Antiterrorism Officer, Mr. William Christina, at 596-2031 or william.j.christina.civ@mail.mil and Ms. Rita Reilly, at 596-2131 or rita.f.reilly.civ@mail.mil.



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