

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON WIESBADEN UNIT 29623 APO AE 09005-9623

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## MEMORANDUM FOR USAG Wiesbaden and all Tenant Units

SUBJECT: USAG Wiesbaden Command Policy Memorandum #61, Recurring Corporate Worship Services and Religious Education Programs

- 1. Reference. AR 165-1, Army Chaplain Corps Activities, 23 June 2015
- 2. Purpose and Intent. Provide guidance to form, support, merge, or discontinue recurring corporate religious services and education for USAG Wiesbaden.
- 3. Applicability. USAG Wiesbaden and all tenant units.
- 4. Policy Guidance. USAG Wiesbaden's Command Master Religious Program (CMRP) supports the salient religious or spiritual needs of our military community by the most effective use of limited resources. Our most significant resources are Chaplains assigned to USAG Wiesbaden and our tenant units. Each Chaplain is required to honor their conscience and civilian endorser's core religious beliefs and practices (tenets) for their commission to lead military personnel and Families in the free exercise of religion.
- a. The Garrison Chaplain advises the Garrison Commander for world-class worship services and religious education by careful analysis for spiritual resilience & readiness.
  - (1) Identify the salient religious or spiritual themes in our military community.
- (2) Partner with the USAREUR-AF Command Chaplain to identify potential teams of Chaplains to lead corporate religious services and education in accordance with requirements of Chaplaincy under AR 165-1, Army Chaplain Corps Activities and all applicable law and regulations.
- (3) Recommend to form, support, merge, or discontinue recurring corporate religious services and education to meet those salient needs with our limited resources.
  - (4) Seek contracts to meet salient needs that our Chaplains' tenets cannot.
- (5) Seek Distinctive Religious Group Leaders for salient needs when USAG Wiesbaden lacks Appropriated Funds to sustain contracts for remaining salient needs.
- (6) Recommend accepting reasonable risk when English-speaking organizations off-post provide worship services and religious education for remaining salient needs.

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- b. The USAG Wiesbaden Commander has the final decision to form, support, merge, or discontinue recurring corporate worship services and religious programs for our community to maximize spiritual resilience for readiness with limited resources.
- 5. The point of contact for this policy memorandum is the Garrison Chaplain (AMIM-WBG-CH), LTC Steven Smith, Building 1019, Room 3, at DSN (314) 548-5172, Commercial 0611-143-548-5172, or <a href="mailto:steven.d.smith214.mil@army.mil">steven.d.smith214.mil@army.mil</a>

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