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## MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

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1. References:

a. AR 385-10, Ammunition and Explosives Safety Standards.

b. DA PAM 385-64 Ammunition and Explosives Safety Standards.

c. FLW 385-64, Explosives Safety Management Program (ESMP).

2. Mission: The mission of the Explosive Safety Council (ESC) is to identify the Senior Commander's (SC) responsibilities, outline the responsibilities of every organization, including installation and tenant activities, with an explosives mission. The program will ensure that the maximum possible protection is being provided to people and property from potential explosive safety issues. This will be done by appointing, in writing, a qualified ESMP Safety and Occupational Health manager, ensuring competent and qualified personnel initiate and review required explosive site plan submissions, ensuring deviations and waivers are provided to the commander with the information needed to make informed decisions regarding the risks being accepted. The Explosive Safety Program will support training, operations, and budgets to comply with ESMP requirements to mitigate to the extent possible explosive safety hazards.

3. Scope: The ESMP shall implement the installation Executive Explosives Safety Council (EESC) with the Senior Commander as the EESC chairperson. Council members should consist of all commanders or directors of organizations on the installation with an A&E mission. It is advisable to establish an Explosive Safety Working Group (ESWG). The ESWG gives all organizations a voice in the formulation of the installation explosives safety policies. It provides a forum to discuss and resolve explosives safety managerial and technical policy issues. Documentation/concerns from the ESWG will be forwarded to the EESC for presentation to the EESC chairperson. The EESC will make recommendations to the chairperson on explosives safety policy and program management for the ESWG.

a. The ESMP also establishes and implements the FLW Explosives Safety Working Group (ESWG). The ESWG is organized as a standing working group to discuss and resolve technical explosives safety policy issues. The ESWG will give appropriate

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tenant organizations a voice in the formulation of technical explosives safety policy issues. The ESWG is chaired by the MSCoE G-3 and will meet quarterly or at the call of the chairman.

- (1) ESWG members are—
  - Chair: G-3
  - Lead: Explosives Safety Officer
  - Director, MSCoE Safety Office
  - G-4
  - 763d EOD Company
  - Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security (DPTMS)
  - Range Operations
  - S-3 and S-4, 1st EN BDE
  - S-3 and S-4, 3d CM BDE
  - S-3 and S-4, 14th MP BDE
  - S-3 and S-4, 5<sup>th</sup> EN BN
  - S-3 and S-4, ITRO
  - LRC
  - Installation Ammunition Manager
  - Quality Assurance Specialist Ammunition Surveillance (QASAS), LRC

(2) The ESWG will conduct an annual review and document the review of the FLW explosives location map to monitor encroachment within explosives safety quantity-distance (ESQD) and to ensure that required explosives safety site plan (ESSP) submissions and explosives licenses are accomplished. The FLW Explosive Safety Officer (ESO) will monitor the overall FLW explosives map and address any conflicts/deviations required to maintain the master plan.

(3) <u>Any proposed changes of the ESMP will be reviewed by ESWG and adopted</u> by the EESC.

b. Explosives Training Certification Board: IAW AMC Reg 350-4, the FLW SC, or designate, will chair a certification board annually to ensure proper training has been conducted by all personnel assigned to ammunition & explosives handling duties.

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(1) Board will be comprised of the following:

- Directors/Chiefs of organizations performing A&E operations.
- FLW SO DIR
- FLW ESO
- QASAS
- LRC Director

(2) The board is not limited to these individuals and can be expanded to address SC concerns.

(3) The board is held at the installation level and will exist for the purpose to certify that A&E handlers are properly trained and equipped to perform their duties. The board will also review all A&E infractions, suggest training and recommend to de-certify or suspend A&E activities to individuals or commands.

(4) Training requirements and the respective positions which require board certification are detailed in the FLW ESMP.

4. Responsibilities:

a. The Senior Commander (SC) will:

(1) Establish and implement a written installation ESMP.

(2) Identify, program, document, and monitor ESMP resourcing requirements.

(3) Ensure AE operations have an Army and DDESB-approved Quantity Distance (QD) safety sub-mission (i.e., explosives site plan (ESP) or chemical site plan (CSP)) or other DDESB-required explosives safety submission (RESS).

(4) Maintain a comprehensive list of each existing munitions operating facilities (e.g., storage, renovation, demilitarization) and status of RESS.

(5) Maintain awareness of explosives safety deviations. Ensure deviations are approved at the appropriate level of authority. Conduct and document annual reviews of deviations and provide a copy of each approval to USATCES. Report the cancellation of deviations to USATCES through the chain of command no later than 45 days after the date of cancellation.

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(6) Monitor explosives safety staffing and competencies. Identify and document key explosives safety positions and take measures to minimize staffing reductions and alleviate competency gaps in these positions. Promote use of the American National Standards Institute / CP12 Explosives Safety Certificate Program.

(7) Ensure DoD military munitions storage complies with approved QD safety submission and explosive licenses or operational limits.

(8) Ensure installation master plan (or equivalent plans) and associated maps are maintained, current, and accurately depict Explosive Safety Quantity Distance (ESQD) arcs, range boundaries and other areas known or suspected to contain AE that may be MEC.

(9) Maintain oversight of installation construction projects to ensure construction does not violate explosives safety criteria.

(10) Ensure procedures are in place to keep emergency responders (installation and surrounding community, when appropriate) informed of the locations of DoD military munitions operating facilities (e.g., storage, production, demilitarization) and associated hazards. Ensure procedures are in place to keep all affected activities and personnel property trained and equipped for emergency response. Exercise AE emergency plans at least annually to ensure command and control procedures are known and effective.

(11) Establish procedures to assess, at least semiannually and in coordination with the appropriate land-holding commands (USAMC, IMCOM, ARNG, and USARC), the operating status of explosives facilities to support recapitalization, disposal, and military construction decisions.

(12) Consult, as needed, with USATCES for explosives safety expertise for risk management, site planning, and training.

b. The Maneuver Support Center of Excellence (MSCoE) Chief of Staff (CoS) will:

(1) Chair the ESC.

(2) Designate initial and subsequent members, when needed, to ensure that the ESC membership consists of members who are qualified and effective in synchronizing installation efforts and affecting change.

(3) Provides guidance, oversight and resources to the ESC.

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c. The Garrison Commander(GC) directs and coordinates subject matter expertise to include ACS, ASAP, DHR, MWR, LRC, and DES.

d. Brigade and ITRO Commanders will participate in the ESC as needed.

5. The CoS is responsible to establish the charter to ensure productivity and progress IAW this charter.

6. POC for matters pertaining to this charter and the ESC is Mr. Oscar Powers at (573) 433-9335.

Colonel, USA Chief of Staff

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