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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Policy on Safety

1. As the Commander and the senior safety officer for the Army's only forward deployed Corps, my goal is to ensure that soldiers are able to perform hazardous operations in the safest possible environment. The best way to accomplish this is to integrate safety into everything we do. Commanders should continually analyze their missions from a safety standpoint and mitigate risks. The success of our safety program hinges on total involvement by everyone. Responsibility for maintaining and sustaining a healthy and safe environment rests with leaders at all levels of command.

2. We should never accept the loss of a soldier or equipment as "cost of doing business" during peacetime operations. Even though tactical training must be demanding, aggressive and realistic, training can be accomplished without accepting unnecessary risk. Leaders must be thoroughly familiar with the risk management process and integrate risk reduction measures into every operation.

3. Every unit, from company or detachment level and up, should appoint an additional duty safety officer or NCO. Commanders should ensure that this individual receives the required safety training and has the command support to execute and maintain an effective safety program.

4. We lose more soldiers each year as a result of off-duty accidents than in training. The majority of our losses are due to POV accidents. Discipline on and off duty is paramount to a safe force. Safety awareness, risk management tools to combat our losses and command involvement can reduce these unacceptable losses.

5. The implementation of the unit safety program is a commander's responsibility. The success of the safety program rests with you.

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