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REPLY TO
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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall (JBM-HH) Policy Memorandum SO-3, Requirements to Operate a Motorcycle

1. REFERENCES.

- a. Department of Defense (DoD) Instruction 6055.04, DoD Traffic Safety Program, 23 Jan 13 (incorporating change 2).
- b. Army Regulation 385-10, The Army Safety Program, 27 Nov 13.
- c. Marine Corps Order (MCO) 5100.19F, Marine Corps Traffic Safety Program (Drivesafe), 29 Nov 11.
- d. Marine Corps Order (MCO) 5100.29B, CH 1, Marine Corps Safety Program, 28 Jul 11.

2. PURPOSE. To ensure all military personnel and civilian personnel in a duty status who operate a motorcycle on a JBM-HH installation are in compliance with all DoD, Army and JBM-HH regulations pertaining to motorcycle operations.

3. APPLICABILITY. This policy applies to all military personnel at all times; civilian personnel in a duty status who operate a motorcycle in the performance of their assigned duties; and civilian employees, visitors, and contractors who operate privately owned motorcycles on JBM-HH.

4. POLICY.

a. Any Service Member or civilian who operates a government-owned or privately owned motorcycle (both street and off-road versions) on JBM-HH must be appropriately licensed to operate a motorcycle on a public highway.

b. All military personnel who ride or intend to operate a motorcycle (regardless of whether Service Members intend to register their vehicles on the installation) and all operators of government-owned motorcycles will attend and complete initial, intermediate/follow-on, and refresher/sustainment motorcycle rider training per references 1a, 1b, and 1c. Civilians operating a motorcycle in the performance of their

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assigned duties will complete a mandatory DoD-approved motorcycle safety course, Motorcycle Safety Foundation course, or a state-approved motorcycle safety course.

c. Civilian visitors or contractors that are properly licensed to ride a motorcycle shall not be required to receive service-sponsored training or to prove that they have taken other motorcycle training in order to operate a motorcycle on JBM-HH.

5. PROCEDURES

a. Each motorcyclist and passenger is required to wear proper personal protective equipment (PPE) and clothing listed below while operating a motorcycle or riding on a JBM-HH installation. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in the denial of the privilege to enter and ride a motorcycle on JBM-HH installations.

(1) Helmets. Certified to meet DOT Safety Standard No. 218, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Standard 22-05, British Standard 6658, or Snell Standard M2005. Helmets shall be properly fastened under the chin at all times while operating a motorcycle.

(2) Eye protection. Designed to meet or exceed ANSI Z87.1 for impact and shatter resistance (includes goggles, wraparound glasses or a full-face shield properly attached to a helmet). A windshield or fairing does not constitute eye protection.

(3) Foot Protection. Includes sturdy over-the-ankle footwear that affords protection for the feet and ankles. Durable leather or ballistic-type cloth athletic shoes that cover the ankles may be worn.

(4) Protective clothing. Includes a long-sleeved shirt or jacket, long trousers and full-fingered gloves or mittens made from leather or other abrasion-resistant material. Motorcycle jackets and pants constructed of abrasion resistant materials, such as leather, Kevlar, or Cordura, and containing impact-absorbing padding are strongly encouraged. Riders are encouraged to select PPE that incorporates fluorescent colors and retro-reflective material.

b. Motorcycles operated on a JBM-HH Installation, to include mopeds and motor scooters (when equipped), must have headlights turned on at all times, except where prohibited by military mission or local laws.

(1) Motorcycles will be equipped with both a left-hand and right-hand rearview mirror mounted on the handlebar or fairing. Note: Government-owned off-road motorcycles on tactical or training missions are exempt from this requirement.

(2) Motorcycles will also be equipped with operational front and rear brakes.

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c. Headphones. Use of headphones, hand-held cell phones, and earphones are not allowed while operating a motorcycle on a JBM-HH installation. Motorcycle operators may wear motorcycle helmets equipped with operator-passenger intercom systems.

6. PROPONENT. The Installation Safety Office is the proponent for this policy. POC is the Installation Safety Director at (703) 696-6996 or DSN 426-6996.

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