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From: Commanding Officer, Marine Aviation Detachment, Patuxent River and
China Lake-Point Mugu
To: Distribution

Subj: SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND RESPONSE PROGRAM

Ref: (a) MCO 1752.5C

1. Purpose. The objective of this policy is to ensure that all Marine Aviation Detachment (MAD) personnel understand the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program.

2. Cancellation. This policy letter will remain in effect until revision.

3. Information. Reference (a) provides guidance for identifying, reporting, and addressing sexual assault.

a. Sexual assault is a crime, incompatible with the Marine Corps values of honor, courage, and commitment. Sexual assault will not be tolerated. All personnel attached to the MAD are to take prompt and appropriate action to ensure that they understand what sexual assault is, work to prevent sexual assaults from occurring, and respond properly to a sexual assault.

b. Sexual assault is defined as intentional sexual contact, characterized by the use of force, physical threat of force, or abuse of authority; or when the victim does not or cannot consent. Sexual assault is not restricted by gender, race, or age.

c. Failure to report, or ignoring sexual assault incidents has damaging consequences for the victim and the command. Those who choose to commit sexual assault betray their fellow Marines and Sailors.

e. Leaders at all levels are to ensure that they are informed about the MAD sexual assault response and prevention program.

f. The MAD Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC), Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Victim Advocates (SAPR VA), and Fleet and Family Support Services can provide an array of support services to sexual assault victims.

h. Preventing and eliminating sexual assault within this command will require a sustained effort by everyone. Our Marines, Sailors, and family members deserve nothing less.

4. Scope. This policy pertains to all personnel assigned to the Marine Aviation Detachment, NAS Patuxent River, NAS China Lake, and NAS Point Mugu.


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