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PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

POLICY STATEMENT
FOR
MILITARY AND CIVILIAN PERSONNEL

Domestic violence is incompatible with Uniformed Services Core Values and our high standards of professional and personal discipline. Domestic violence often includes criminal and/or civil offenses which can ruin families, lives, and careers, weaken communities, and undermine readiness. Domestic violence will not be tolerated within the U.S. Pacific Command. Important elements to remember include:

1. There is no excuse for domestic violence. Stress, deployment, alcohol, and the victim's behavior are not excuses for domestic violence.

2. Domestic violence is not limited to physical acts. Domestic violence may manifest via emotional, psychological and verbal abuse, economic control and interference with personal liberty, and/or other methods which instill fear, intimidate, manipulate, and control victims.

Supervisors, at all levels, shall provide training and guidance to his/her personnel to prevent domestic violence. Appropriate measures shall be taken when domestic violence is reported, to include ensuring that allegations are promptly and fully investigated and that perpetrators are held accountable for their actions as appropriate, to include actions under the UCMJ and other applicable laws. Victims of domestic violence are strongly encouraged to contact their local law enforcement personnel, their chain of command, or local family advocacy centers and clinics. The following are confidential, toll-free resources - US: Contact the National Domestic Violence Hotline (1-800-799-SAFE (7233)) or www.thehotline.org; Overseas: Contact the Americans Overseas Domestic Violence Crisis Center by calling the AT&T USADirect access number and entering 866-USWOMEN (879-6636) at the prompt.

The prevention of domestic violence is commensurate with our goal of upholding the highest standards of leadership and personal conduct.

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