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GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 1.

TITLE. Prohibited Activities for Fort Lee Military Personnel during the COVID-19 National Emergency

PURPOSE. This General Order identifies conduct that is prejudicial to good order and discipline, health, and safety of all personnel within the Fort Lee, Virginia AOR.

AUTHORITY.

- a. 10 U.S.C. Chapter 47 (Uniform Code of Military Justice)
- b. HQDA General Order No. 2010-03, General Court-Martial Convening Authority, 23 March 2010
- c. Army Regulation (AR) 27-10, Military Justice, 20 November 2020
- d. Memorandum, Secretary of Defense, 4 February 2021, Subject: Use of Masks and Other Public Health Measures
- e. Memorandum, Secretary of the Army, 24 February 2021, Subject: Use of Masks and Delegation of Authority to Grant Exceptions
- f. Memorandum, Combined Arms Center and Ft. Leavenworth, 1 March 2021, Subject: Use of Masks and Public Health Measures within CAC Organizations

APPLICABILITY. This General Order applies to all individuals subject to military orders and stationed, assigned, and/or attached to Fort Lee, VA. The provisions contained herein should be considered as guidelines to all members of the Fort Lee community not subject to military orders.

SUPPRESSION: This order supersedes General Order No. 1, dated 19 Mar 2021

1. STATEMENT OF MILITARY PURPOSE AND NECESSITY.

a. Aggressive prevention and mitigation measures have successfully limited the spread of the COVID-19 disease within the force and in the civilian population. The disease, however, is expected to continue to circulate within the population until a vaccine is widely available. The spread of this disease must be carefully controlled to prevent a return to widespread community transmission, which would disproportionately

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affect our most vulnerable Soldiers, Civilians, Contractors, and Family members. The continuous spread of the virus could also threaten our civilian and military healthcare system's ability to treat severe cases, and adversely impact our ability to accomplish missions. CASCOM Servicemembers must remain vigilant and flexible to further the CASCOM training mission in this environment. Restrictions on certain activities remain essential to preserving the health and lives of Servicemembers and Civilians.

b. On 15 May 2020, many municipalities in the Commonwealth of Virginia began implementing the Virginia Forward plan, a phased approach to reopen the state. As the plan progresses, municipalities will ease or tighten restrictions depending on the transmission levels within their boundaries. It is the duty of all U.S. Department of Defense personnel and their dependents to respect the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia and to abstain from any activity that would reflect poorly on the armed forces or unnecessarily endanger their lives, including exposure to COVID-19.

c. On 28 May 2020, CASCOM issued OPORD 20-213, which established a conditions-based plan for the reopening of CASCOM and Fort Lee, VA. It is prudent to reinforce the applicability of those orders and health protocols to maintain good order and discipline, health and safety, and ensure optimum readiness.

2. RESTRICTIONS ON MOVEMENT (ROM).

a. Servicemembers have the individual duty to know, understand, and comply with all local COVID-19 restrictions implemented under the Virginia Forward plan in any local municipality in which they live or visit.

b. Off-post privileges for all Soldiers attending Initial Military Training (IMT), which includes the Basic Officer Leaders Courses (BOLC), Warrant Officer Basic Courses (WOBC), and Advanced Individual Training (AIT), or the equivalent of IMT for our sister services, are revoked while this General Order remains in effect. Military Occupational Specialty – Transition (MOS-T) Soldiers are considered IMT Soldiers for the purposes of this Order. These Soldiers/Servicemembers are prohibited from departing the Fort Lee Military Reservation unless performing military duties, receiving medical treatment or care, subject to a referral by a military health care provider, or subject to an exception to policy granted for emergency leave by the first general officer in the chain of command. IMT Soldiers/Servicemembers may obtain food from the DFAC or other on-post establishments, subject to any limitations imposed by the chain of command.

c. IMT Soldiers/Servicemembers, as defined above, are prohibited from having visitors or guests and shall limit in-person interactions to cadre, Servicemembers in their courses, and other essential personnel (such as bank tellers, store clerks, fitness center

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staff, medical personnel, chaplains, etc.). Those interactions will be guided by the social distancing protocols set forth below.

d. Servicemembers may also be placed in one of three Restriction of Movement categories: Isolation, Quarantine, or Conditional Release. There are three sub-categories of Conditional Release. Those health protection measures are based on the individual Servicemember's COVID-19 status and potential exposure to the disease. Servicemembers will comply with any further directives or orders concerning their treatment, the virus monitoring process, or movement.

e. Approval for all Soldiers traveling away from their Duty Station for Leave or Passes are withheld as described below.

(1) The Company Commander is the approval authority for travel within 180 miles.

(2) The Battalion Commander is the approval authority for travel between 180 and 300 miles.

(3) The Brigade Commander is the approval authority for travel over 300 miles.

(4) Travel to any DoD identified COVID-19 hot-spot or OCONUS requires Commandant (or appropriate O-6 delegated by commandant(s)), or CASCOM Chief of Staff approval (O-6 level).

(5) In accordance with Force Health Protection Supplement 12 (HQDA EXORD 210-20, FRAGORD 11), all Soldiers traveling from or through a CDC THN Level-3 country to the United States on official travel will undergo a 14-day ROM upon arrival at their residence or other appropriate location. Additionally, Soldiers traveling from or through a CDC THN Level 1, 2, or 3 country to the United States will self-monitor for COVID-19 signs and symptoms for 14-days and comply with all installation, CDC, state, and local guidance upon arrival in the United States. Army Civilians, Family members, and contractors are strongly recommended to follow Force Health Protection Guidance for return to the United States from international travel.

(6) Commands will use VANTAGE to inform decision on COVID-19 hot spots. Approving authorities will consider, and provide in writing, the required COVID-19 mitigation to be executed while a Soldier is traveling and upon their return to Duty. *The overarching priority is to protect the force, approving authorities have wide latitude on what mitigation strategies will be used to ensure this priority.* A 14 day ROM will be executed if the returning Servicemember is required to interact with IMT/PMT student populations.

3. SOCIAL DISTANCING AND MASK WEARING

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a. In accordance with the United States Secretary of Defense's 4 February 2021 Memorandum "Use of Masks and Other Public Health Measures" and 24 February 2021 Memorandum "Use of Masks and Delegation of Authority to Grant Exceptions," all individuals on Fort Lee will wear masks at all indoor locations, to include office environments, and outdoor shared spaces except as provided below. All individuals must have a face covering readily available for potential contact with other people. Individuals must wear a mask that covers the nose and mouth and that complies with all current guidance from the CDC and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Masks with vents and valves are not authorized. Masks are not required when: (1) when an individual is alone in an office with floor-to-ceiling walls with a closed door; (2) for brief periods of time when eating and drinking while maintaining distancing in accordance with CDC guidelines and instructions from commanders and supervisors; (3) when the mask is required to be lowered briefly for identification or security purposes; (4) when necessary to reasonably accommodate an individual with a disability; (5) in an individual's own personal residence on-base; (6) outdoors if alone, with members of your immediate family, or when social distancing is possible; and (7) while leading worship services to include weddings, funerals, worship services, preaching, confession, baptism, and communion.

b. Physical Fitness. Masks are required and will be worn while conducting physical fitness in group settings, to include the APFT/ACFT, when social distancing cannot be maintained. Masks are required to be worn during the ACFT/APFT when social distancing cannot be maintained with the exception of when the individual is conducting the graded events. When executing physical readiness training and fitness activities by oneself or separated from a group, a mask is not required. Individuals will wear masks inside gyms and physical fitness centers when moving between equipment or activities but may remove the mask when actively working out. Upon passing others or stopping to converse or partnering up with others, a mask must be used. All individuals must have a face covering readily available for potential contact with other people.

c. Outdoor Activities. Masks are required and will be worn while conducting outdoor activities in group settings where social distancing cannot be maintained. When socially distanced and exercising or conducting outdoor activities by oneself or separated from a group, a mask is not required. Upon stopping to converse or partnering up with others, a mask must be utilized. All individuals must have a face covering readily available for potential contact with other people.

d. All personnel will maintain a separation of six (6) feet/two (2) meter distance from all other individuals, except those from an individual's household, when outside of their residence in both indoor and outdoor settings. When in doubt, use a double arm interval to judge your distance from others. The wearing of cloth face coverings is not a

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replacement for social distancing protocols. Adult personnel are responsible for ensuring all children and dependents over five (5) years old abide by these provisions.

e. Servicemembers are authorized to perform physical fitness indoors in compliance with social distancing protocols and any additional public health measures implemented by the Garrison Commander.

f. Servicemembers are authorized to perform physical fitness outdoors while on post in groups containing no more than **100** individuals. All participating Servicemembers must maintain a separation of 6 feet/2 meters between individuals when running or conducting calisthenics. Personnel will wear gloves, or immediately wash hands directly after touching common touch items (i.e. weights, pull-up bars, etc.), and will wipe common touch items down with appropriate disinfecting cleaner. The senior noncommissioned officer in charge of any group formation or activity is responsible for enforcing proper social distancing.

g. Social and work gatherings are permitted on the installation, so long as the social distancing protocols described in this paragraph are followed and all reasonable efforts are made to comply with prevailing public health guidance. No social gathering shall exceed **100** people when outdoors, or 50 people when indoors. This limitation does not apply to religious services, work gatherings, or educational instruction (to include AIT and PME courses executed IAW CASCOC guidance).

h. Emergency situations requiring close physical proximity are exempted from this requirement.

i. The on-site sale, consumption, and possession of alcohol is prohibited between 0000 and 0500 in any restaurant, dining establishment, food court or bar. All restaurants, dining establishments, food courts, and bars must close by midnight. All persons consuming alcohol in a public establishment must be seated at tables 6 feet apart.

4. MEDICAL TREATMENT REQUIREMENTS.

a. Servicemembers will strictly adhere to the directives of medical personnel and Commanders regarding an Order into Isolation, Quarantine, or Conditional Release. Civilian personnel, Family Members, and contracted personnel are highly encouraged to adhere to these directives and are required to adhere to applicable state laws.

b. All Servicemembers will notify their chain of command and contact the Kenner Army Health Clinic Hotline before entering any public areas if they exhibit

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COVID-19 symptoms or have come into contact with any individual known to have tested positive for COVID-19.

c. All Servicemembers will submit without delay and provide truthful answers to any medical screening questions or activities executed by their command or conducted at entry control points. This may include submission to body temperature measurements.

d. Personnel Under Investigation (PUI) (i.e. individuals suspected of being infected with COVID-19) and close contacts of a PUI will be placed in quarantine under Restriction of Movement in designated on-post facilities or their off-post residence pending test results.

e. Quarantined personnel must immediately inform their Chain of Command and medical personnel if they exhibit any medical symptoms. Servicemembers subject to Conditional Release will inform their Chain of Command if they exhibit any medical symptoms.

f. Personnel confirmed positive for COVID-19 will be placed in isolation under Restriction of Movement in designated on-post facilities or their off-post residence for a period of no less than 14 days.

g. Personnel quarantined or isolated in on-post facilities will follow all directives concerning conduct within the facility, to include any limitations concerning contact with other quarantined or isolated personnel.

h. All other personnel, aside from those quarantined or isolated, are prohibited from entering on-post quarantine or isolation facilities, except personnel assigned duties by order of the Garrison Commander or her designee.

5. HYGIENE.

a. All personnel will wash their hands with soap and water for a minimum of 20 seconds, or use an alcohol based hand sanitizing gel, when entering common on-post areas such as the PX, Commissary, Barracks, etc.

b. All personnel will disinfect high touch areas, such as desks, light switches and door handles, no less than twice daily.

6. PUNITIVE ORDER. The provisions of paragraphs 2 through 4 are punitive. Servicemembers who violate this order may be subject to punishment under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), or other adverse administrative actions. Civilians are not subject to the UCMJ, but may be subject to a bar from the installation or applicable disciplinary actions for any actions that endanger the Fort Lee community.

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7. **INDIVIDUAL DUTY.** Persons subject to this General Order have the individual duty to know and understand the prohibitions contained herein. Servicemembers who are uncertain about any aspect of this General Order should raise their questions to their Command.

8. **UNIT COMMANDER RESPONSIBILITY.** Unit commanders shall ensure their personnel are briefed on the prohibitions and requirements of this order.

9. **WAIVERS AND AMENDMENTS.** Requests for waivers of any provision of this General Order must be submitted by the endorsing commander, through the chain of command to me for decision. Subordinate commanders may impose additional restrictions consistent with this General Order if necessary for good order and discipline, but do not have the authority to unilaterally grant exceptions or exemptions to its provisions without my authority. Any additional restrictions imposed by a commander must be in writing and receive written legal review prior to implementation.

10. **POINT OF CONTACT.** The POC for this General Order is the Fort Lee Chief of Military Justice at (804) 765-2986.

11. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This General Order is effective immediately. It will remain in effect until rescinded by me or superseded by a new General Order.

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