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1. **PURPOSE:** This General Order establishes baseline personal conduct. It is intended to promote strong relationships with our host nations and to sustain readiness, good order, and discipline.

2. **EFFECTIVE DATE:** This general order is effective immediately, is numbered as GO-1A, and supersedes all previously published GO-1s.

3. **APPLICABILITY:** This policy applies to all forward deployed Department of Defense (DoD) military personnel ("Service Member") assigned, attached, or under the operational control of 1st Cavalry Division (1CD) during the support of United States European Command Regionally Aligned Forces. This policy is effective on an individual basis as soon as the Service Member completes manifest at their home station installation and until that Service Member returns to their home station or until another version supersedes this policy, whichever comes first.

4. **INTENT:** This General Order serves as a reminder of the standards expected of Soldiers representing the U.S. Army and the United States in Europe and abroad. The standards outlined in this policy discuss many of the minimum expectations and, by no means, discuss every possible scenario in which Soldiers may find themselves. This General Order supplements V Corps' GO-1, dated 20 June 2024.

5. **PUNITIVE ORDER:** The provisions contained in this paragraph constitute a punitive order for Service Members, and violations may result in reprimand, non-judicial punishment, adverse administrative action, or court-martial. I HEREBY ORDER THAT:

a. **Off-Limits Locations. Individuals will not visit:** 1) **Bars**, as distinguished from a restaurant, when its primary purpose is to serve alcohol and it does not provide tables and menus for seated dining; 2) **Casinos**, located off a military installation; 3) **Karaoke and Hookah Lounges**, which are distinct from a restaurant which may offer karaoke or hookah, in that off-limits lounges do not provide tables and menus for seated dining and the primary purpose of the establishment is to serve alcohol; 4) **Night clubs**, which are defined as establishments where a significant amount of space is dedicated to a dance floor, there is a disc jockey (DJ), and the primary purpose is to sell alcohol; 5) **Strip Clubs**, to include establishments offering prostitution or illegal substances, and establishments where any employee is fully or partially nude.

(1) Common sense and good judgment must be used when evaluating whether an establishment is off-limits under this General Order. All personnel have an affirmative

duty to seek guidance from leadership should they have any questions as to whether an establishment is off-limits.

(2) All personnel have an affirmative duty to understand and obey General Orders and other local rules regarding off-limits locations as they travel within the USEUCOM AOR. Personnel should ask their leaders or legal office if they are not aware of local policies when they travel. Local policies are in place to protect personnel and mission.

b. Alcohol Consumption. Our mission requires heightened readiness standards and a constant vigilance to protect against threats to good order, discipline, health, and safety. To balance this operational reality with my concern for individual morale, I implement the following reasonable restrictions on alcohol consumption:

(1) Personnel on orders for more than 30 days will refrain from alcohol consumption for the first 96 hours in the USEUCOM AOR. Subordinate commanders are authorized to further restrict alcohol consumption subject to operational requirements.

(2) Personnel will not consume alcohol within eight hours of assuming duty or while on duty. This prohibits Soldiers on a recall status, of less than eight hours, from consuming alcohol while subject to being recalled to duty.

(3) Personnel will not consume alcohol eight hours prior to operating any vehicle (tactical, non-tactical, private, or rental). Many European countries define "motor vehicle" differently than the United States, therefore, it is illegal in some countries to operate e-scooters and bicycles while under the influence of alcohol. Therefore, in addition to traditional motor vehicles, personnel subject to this order will not consume alcohol eight hours prior to operating electric bicycles, motorcycles, e-scooters, or any other motorized movement device.

(4) Personnel will not drink alcohol to the point of being drunk. "Drunk" is hereby defined as the state of intoxication that is sufficient to impair the rational and full exercise of mental or physical faculties; or the state of meeting or exceeding a blood alcohol content of .08, as defined in the Manual for Courts-Martial (see Article 112, explanation). Physical characteristics of being drunk include bloodshot eyes; slurred speech; annoying, argumentative, or aggressive behavior or attitude; difficulty walking or standing; clumsiness; vomiting; or emanating an odor of alcohol. Personnel demonstrating any of these characteristics in conjunction with having consumed alcohol will be in violation of this policy.

(5) Service Members will abide by Host Nation laws with respect to the drinking age.

(6) No alcohol is allowed to be consumed, possessed, or distributed on any FOS without proper approval from the FOS Senior Accountable Officer. This authority is not delegated further.

c. Electronic Cigarettes and Related Substances. European health and safety standards are different for e-cigarettes and similar devices. Because of the uncertainty of e-cigarette use and its impact on individual health and safety, all Soldiers subject to this policy are prohibited from purchasing or consuming electronic cigarette/vape juice from non-authorized vendors. Authorized vendors of electronic cigarette/vape juice devices include AAFES, and where not available, other allied forces exchanges. Additionally, the use of electronic cigarettes or similar devices is prohibited in buildings on a FOS or military installations.

d. Curfew and Travel:

(1) **Curfew.** Daily curfew is 0001-0500 local time. During curfew, personnel must be on their respective military installation or FOS, unless on approved leave, pass, temporary duty, or official military business.

(2) **Battle Buddies.**

(a) Unless on leave or pass, from 2200-0600 local time, individuals will not be off the installation or FOS for unofficial business without a battle buddy. Battle buddies must remain together at all times while outside of the installation or FOS. Leaving a battle buddy is prohibited. If a battle buddy refuses to return to the FOS or separates from an individual, contact a supervisor immediately. Before leaving the installation or FOS after 2200 local time, individuals must inform their supervisor of their plan, including the general location(s) they plan to visit and the name of their battle buddy.

(b) Battle buddies are not limited to U.S. Army personnel but must be approved by supervisors. Prior to approving a battle buddy, supervisors should assess the suitability of a battle buddy and obtain their contact information, in case it is necessary to reach them while off the installation or FOS. For the purposes of this battle buddy requirement, approved Leave and Passes will be treated as official travel and are therefore exempt from the battle buddy requirement.¹

(c) Battle buddies of different grades are allowed, however, all individuals, regardless of grade, must be aware of and abide by the Army's fraternization policy as

¹ In accordance with V Corps Delegation of Authority to Approve Exceptions to Policy for Ordinary Leave and Army Military Parental Leave Program (MPLP), dated 22 April 2024, the 1st Cavalry Division Commanding General is delegated authority to approve ordinary leave requests for personnel participating within the USAREUR-AF area of operations. In accordance with 1st Cavalry Division Leave and Release from Theater Guidance for United States Army Europe Area of Operations, Brigade Commanders implement pass policies.

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defined in AR 600-20, paragraph 4-14. Service Members must be cognizant that their interactions do not create actual or perceived undue familiarity.

(3) **Civilian Attire and Duty Uniform.** Appropriate civilian clothing will be worn when traveling off military installations. Wearing the Army Service Uniform, Operational Camouflage Pattern uniform, or Army Physical Fitness Uniform off the installation or FOS is not authorized, unless Soldiers are representing the Army in an official capacity or in an official duty status. When off-duty off the installation or FOS, Soldiers must wear tasteful civilian clothing; this may include civilian clothing that depicts a unit affiliation, such as, but not limited to, a 1st Cavalry Division shirt, sweatshirt, or hat.

(4) **Wear of Uniform During Travel.** Soldiers may wear the Army Service Uniform or Operational Camouflage Pattern uniform when traveling in a U.S. Government or rental vehicle directly between U.S. and host nation installations or FOSs or to official engagements. Short, necessary stops, such as for fuel or restroom use, are permitted while traveling directly. Uniform wear is prohibited while traveling on foot or by motorcycle, scooter, bicycle, taxi, Uber, public transportation, or commercial air travel within or while transiting the USEUCOM AOR.

e. **OPSEC:**

(1) Personal Electronic Devices (PED), such as cell phones, tablets, or laptops are authorized for off-duty use. However, Service Members must remain vigilant in maintaining operational security (OPSEC) since they are especially susceptible to intrusion and attack. Sending personal messages regarding troop movements and locations is prohibited as well as any other violation of OPSEC.

(2) Only the Army may release information about a military activity. Once it is released by a verified source, you may share it. However, do not tag a Service Member in a news story or in any way link a specific Service Member to a mission or operation. Because photos taken by a PED may have embedded data that often cannot be controlled, photos of troop locations are prohibited.

6. Withholding:

a. Alcohol Related Violations: Disposition over incidents where alcohol is involved, in any way, is withheld to no lower than the Battalion (BN) Commander. If the incident involves a Service Member at the grade of E-8 or higher, disposition is withheld to the CG. Disposition of second-time alcohol incidents involving an E-7 or below are withheld to the Brigade Commander.

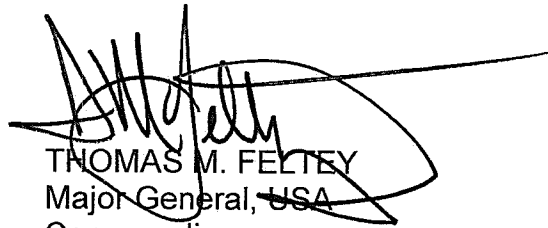
b. Non-Alcohol Violations: Punitive action due to violations of this policy by an E-8 or above will be withheld to the CG. Punitive action due to violations of this policy by an E-6 or E-7 will be withheld to the Brigade Commander.

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7. Exceptions and Waivers: Request for exemptions or waivers of any provision of this General Order must be submitted to the first General Officer in the chain of command for decision. Subordinate commanders may impose additional restrictions consistent with this General Order if necessary for operational reasons or in furtherance of good order and discipline.

8. The POC for this General Order is the 1st Cavalry Division Staff Judge Advocate.



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