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**UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON-YONGSAN (USAG-Y) POLICY LETTER # 30**

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) or Remote Control Aircraft (RCA) Policy

1. **REFERENCES:**

- a. DoD Instruction 2000.16, Antiterrorism (AT) Standards, 8 December 2006 (Change 2)
- b. Army Regulation (AR) 190-13, The Army's Physical Security Program, 25 February 2011.
- c. AR 525-13, Antiterrorism , 11 October 2008
- d. Army Field Manual 3-37.2, Antiterrorism, February 2011
- e. Eighth Army OPORD 14-05-16-01 (Remote Control Aircraft), 16 May 2014

2. **APPLICABILITY:** This memorandum applies to all personnel on USAG-Y installations.

3. **GENERAL:** The following policy establishes prohibitions for operating an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) or Remote Control Aircraft (RCA) on all USAG-Y installations:

a. An UAV or RCA is an aircraft without a human pilot aboard controlled either autonomously by onboard computers or by the remote control of a pilot on the ground or in another vehicle. The typical launch and recovery method of an unmanned aircraft is by the function of an automatic system or an external operator on the ground.

b. Model aircraft enthusiasts use Remote Controlled (RC) aircraft for recreation purposes. However, RCs are increasingly use for professional applications such as

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surveillance and data gathering. Such aircraft will operate in a way that may pose greater risk to the public and operators are not aware of the potential dangers of the public. Further, the possibility of signal interference or interception might be associated with such aircraft. The aircraft may associate as being consistently used as an interception or as surveillance or data gathering. For public safety, USAG-Y and Area II guidelines are:

(1) For public safety and OPSEC reasons, USAG-Y or any sub-installation within Area II prohibits the use of any UAV or RCA equipped with cameras or data collection devices. This restriction does not apply to operation of UAV or RCA flown for "Official" Military purposes.

(2) The absence of standards, regulations and procedures to govern the safe integration of civilian-operated RCA on or near military installations within Area II can pose a potential hazard for military aircraft operating in the same airspace. As a result, operators of these aircraft will adhere to the following guidelines in order to operate any RCA on or around military installations in Area II.

(a) Any person who wishes to operate a RCA in Area II is required to register the aircraft with H264, Airfield Operations. The operator will provide the owner's information, RCA specifications and a picture of the aircraft.

(b) The RCA will not mount or utilize any camera or video recording device. Airfield operations will inspect the aircraft to ensure it meets this requirement.

(c) The aircraft is authorize for use at Family Fun Park or the sports fields located at Blackhawk Village and across from Burke Towers. At K16, approve RCAs for use at sports field located adjacent to the running track. All aircraft will operate no more than 100ft above ground level.

(d) The RCA pilot will not operate the aircraft in a negligent or reckless manner that endangers spectators, other persons or property on the ground. Operators will not fly over spectators, crowds or audiences comprised of the public. Do not operate aircraft in conjunction with any other activities or events occurring.

(e) Children under the age of 12 cannot operate a RCA without an adult present and supervising the minor. Children 13 years and older are authorized to operate the aircraft. However, it is highly recommended that an adult be present.

(3) Any incident involving an UAV or RCA, notify USAG-Y Military Police immediately to take appropriate action in detaining the operator and confiscating the UAV or RCA. If it is determined that the operator is not on U.S. Government property or

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the confines of the military installation, the Military Police Station will immediately notify the Korean National Police of the location and activity observed to take appropriate action. Aircraft operators will take full responsibility and provide full restitution for any damages from incidents/accidents that occur due to their flying activities.

4. **SANCTIONS:**

a. Violations of this policy by individuals subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) may constitute violations of Article 92, (Failure to Obey Order or Regulation), subjecting the individual to criminal punishment and/or administrative sanction.

b. Violations of this policy by individuals not subject to UCMJ may subject the individual to administrative sanctions and civilian criminal prosecution.

c. Personnel wishing to operate an UAV or RCA should also familiarize themselves with any applicable Korean law and ensure they are in full compliance prior to engaging in flying activities.



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