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UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON YONGSAN (USAG-Y) POLICY LETTER # 31

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Noise Control

- 1. <u>PURPOSE</u>: To establish noise control standards within USAG-Y area of responsibility.
- 2. <u>APPLICABILITY</u>: This policy applies to all military and civilian employees of the US Government and their Family Members regardless of the location of their living quarters within USAG-Y.
- 3. **POLICY**: The intent of this policy is to promote harmony in our communities and living areas. All individuals within the USAG-Y area of responsibility have the right to expect peace and quiet. Accordingly, do not tolerate acts of excessive noise.

4. PROCEDURES:

- a. During quiet hours, with the exception of emergency repairs, no construction will occur, either from contractors or an in-house work force.
- b. During quiet hours, noise from people and equipment (stereos, TVs, portable sound systems) are not so loud they can be heard in adjacent rooms, quarters, or buildings.
 - c. Quiet hours are:
 - (1) 2200 0700 Sunday through Thursday.
 - (2) 2300 0700 Friday, Saturday, and evenings prior to holidays.
- d. Within any buildings where persons live, most noises are tolerable during normal hours (0700 2200), however, at no time will sound equipment be turned up loud enough to <u>disturb</u> anyone in adjacent rooms, quarters or building. Military members, civilian personnel, or their family members will not carry portable sound systems in

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public while broadcasting externally. Additionally, do not operate car stereo systems where <u>anyone outside</u> the car is disturbed by the noise.

- e. Sound equipment will not be played outdoors in public on post, unless approved by the Commander, USAG-Y.
- f. Unit Movements: There are certain measures commanders may take to hold the noise down to a bearable level, especially when executing a unit movement during quiet hours. The chain of command will strictly enforce the maximum speed of 15 miles per hour for all vehicles moving through residential areas. Vehicles will not idle for prolong periods. DES will establish times and routes for all movements to minimize noise and disruption.
- g. Physical Training: Cadence calling during PT is an essential ingredient in building and maintaining unit esprit. However, cadence will not use vulgar or offensive language nor called in or adjacent to housing areas at any time.

h. Community Clubs:

- (1) Noise from clubs: At 2200 hours, club managers will take measures to lower the sound level emanating from their establishments. Closing windows and turning down music volume are standard procedures. As a rule, if anyone can hear the music inside the club from the establishment's parking lot, it is too loud.
- (2) Noise from patrons: Club managers will take necessary practical and legal measures to control loud and boisterous behavior by patrons departing their establishments.
 - i. Recommendations to reduce noise in living quarters:
 - (1) Carpet areas most heavily used to absorb noise.
- (2) Check with neighbors to set volume levels on sound equipment to determine a tolerable range.
- (3) Make complaints against violators to area, building, and floor coordinators/community mayors, and as a final resort, to the Military Police.

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5. Point of contact for this policy is Director of Emergency Services at DSN 738-4361.

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