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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL TWENTIETH AIR FORCE PERSONNEL

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SUBJECT: Holiday Safety Message

- 1. I want to wish all of you and your families a safe and upbeat holiday season. You are the most valuable element of our day-to-day mission accomplishment and success. The loss of a single team member weakens our force and degrades the mission; therefore, it is paramount that you factor safety into holiday planning to guarantee you continue to contribute to the security of our great nation.
- 2. Throughout the Air Force, traffic mishaps historically increase during the holiday season. Drinking and driving is of great concern at this time of year. Tragically, we lost a military member last year who was struck by a drunk driver while standing outside a local business establishment. We must never become complacent regarding safety and must practice increased vigilance based on sound risk assessments and informed decisions.
- 3. Being safe, on and off duty, is equally important to both military members and family members. Your diligent efforts have ensured workplace safety is successfully practiced every day, but safety does not end when the duty day is complete. Remember to make informed decisions consistent with your abilities and level of risk if your personal plans include travel during the holidays. Don't drive extended distances or depart on a long trip after a late day. Always share your travel plans with family, friends or a wingman before embarking on your journey. This simple act will pay huge dividends if you find yourself in an unexpected predicament.
- 4. Have a safe holiday season and enjoy this time with family and friends. I look forward to seeing all of you after the holidays.

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