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US ARMY GARRISON YONGSAN POLICY LETTER 5-15

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Human Trafficking and Prostitution within Off-Post Entertainment Districts

1. REFERENCES:

- a. Memorandum, Deputy Secretary of Defense, subject: Combating Trafficking in Persons in the DOD, 30 January 2004.
- b. Memorandum, FKCS, subject: Prostitution within Off Post Entertainment Districts, 16 September 2004.
- c. Memorandum, FKCC, subject : United States Forces Korea Command Values and principles, 13 September 2004.
 - d. USFK Regulation 190-2, Off Limits Areas and Establishments, 23 July 2010.
- e. AR 190-24, Armed Forces Disciplinary Control Boards and Off-Installation Liaison and Operations, 27 July 2006.
- f. USAG Y Command Policy 5-12, USAG Y Armed Forces Disciplinary Control Board, 12 September 2007.
- 2. <u>PURPOSE</u>: To address the issue of human trafficking and prostitution in US Army Garrison Yongsan (USAG Y) off post entertainment districts.
- 3. <u>APPLICABILITY</u>: This policy applies to all individuals covered under the Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) who reside within USAG Y.

4. GENERAL:

- a. USFK does not condone or support the illegal activities of human trafficking and prostitution. We are visitors in Korea and as such, are required to respect Korean laws and culture.
- b. The USAG Y Commander, in conjunction with the USAG Y DES, asked the Korean National Police to look into the illegal practices of human trafficking and prostitution in the

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areas surrounding USAG Y military installations. Accordingly, Korean National Police and Military Police are identifying businesses that support, harbor, or in any way sanction human trafficking or prostitution. US SOFA personnel apprehended for violating Korean law, including participation in illegal activities such as prostitution, are subject to prosecution in Korean courts. This means that your SOFA card will not protect you, if apprehended.

- c. When credible evidence of this illegal activity is presented, or when allegations are made against a particular activity, a thorough investigation will be conducted and results presented to the USAG Y Armed Forces Disciplinary Control Board. If the allegation(s) is verified, appropriate action will be taken, e.g., to place the establishment "Off Limits" to USFK personnel due to these illegal activities.
- d. Human trafficking and prostitution are serious concerns to all members of the United States Forces Korea. The repercussions of such activities have a direct impact on combat readiness, service member/family morale, and the safety and health of our service members. Commanders at all levels must take an active role in ensuring our service members remain safe and do not violate Korean law.
- e. USAG Y commander(s), activity heads, directors, staff and agency heads, and those in leadership positions, will continuously re-enforce this policy letter through individual briefings, and inclusion in leadership forums at all echelons of command, e.g., unit formations, NCO call, OPD sessions, and staff meetings.
- 5. Any questions regarding this policy should be addressed to the Commander, USAG Y, ATTN: Director of Emergency Services, 738-4361/4414.

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