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**COMMAND POLICY LETTER
G3-01**

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Travel Restrictions to Mexico

1. REFERENCES.

- a. FRAGO 11 To Mission Support Order PC 05-06-108 (Travel Restrictions to Mexico)
- b. Army Regulation 600-8-10 Leaves and Passes, 31 July 2003
- c. Uniform Code of Military Justice, Article 92, Failure to Obey Order or Regulation.

2. APPLICABILITY. This policy applies to all Soldiers stationed on Fort Hood.

3. ENFORCEABILITY. This policy is punitive. Violators may be subject to UCMJ or administrative action.

4. POLICY.

a. Violence by criminal elements in many parts of Mexico, especially along the United States-Mexico border, raises concerns for the safety of travelers in the region. Unfortunate foreign visitors and residents alike have been followed, harassed, kidnapped and murdered. The following restrictions and guidelines will protect the safety, readiness, and well-being of Soldiers stationed at Fort Hood.

b. Effective immediately, travel to Mexico is prohibited without properly approved leave, as discussed below.

5. REQUIREMENTS

a. To travel outside the United States Soldiers must have an approved leave form (DA Form 31) that authorizes their foreign trip.

b. The requestor's Brigade Commander is the approval authority for travel to the Mexican cities of Acuna, Piedras Negras, Reynosa, Tijuana, Nogales, Juarez, Nuevo Laredo, Matamoros, and the entire State of Chihuahua.

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(1) Approval authority for travel can only be granted as an exception to this policy if the Soldier has Family Members that reside within one or more of these locations.

(2) Approval to travel will be given only after a thorough risk assessment has been completed and the approval authority is satisfied that the travel can be conducted safely.

c. Approval authority for travel to any other part of Mexico is retained by the requestor's brigade commander or special courts-martial convening authority as applicable, and may not be further delegated.

d. Before commanders approve requests for travel to Mexico, they must ensure that requestor's have: (1) completed Antiterrorism (AT) Level 1 training within the previous twelve months, (2) read the current FRAGO to mission Support order PC 05-06-108 reference a, Travel restrictions to Mexico, and (3) reviewed Mexico travel alerts and warnings at the State Department travel website: <http://travel.state.gov>.

e. Upon their return, Soldiers must report to their unit security managers any unusual incidents that occurred during their leave in Mexico.

6. EXPIRATION. This policy memorandum supersedes policy dated 14 October 2008, and will remain in effect until superseded or rescinded.



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