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MARINE CORPS INSTALLATIONS COMMAND POLICY LETTER 5-12

From: Commander, Marine Corps Installations Command
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Subj: SEXUAL ASSAULT

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1. Sexual assault is a crime. It is not restricted to any gender, race, or age. Sexual Assault is defined as intentional sexual contact, characterized by the use of force, physical threat of force or abuse of authority; or when the victim does not or cannot consent. The reference contains guidance for identifying, reporting, and addressing the issue of sexual assault.

2. Sexual assault is a complete and total contradiction to our core values and will not be tolerated. Failure to report sexual assault incidents can have damaging consequences for victims and to the command. Where cause exists, appropriate legal and/or administrative action will be taken against any and all violators.

3. Victims of sexual assault will be treated with sensitivity, decency and respect. Victims will receive appropriate medical, psychological, and social services. Care will be given to ensure that the identity of the victim released only to those who have a need to know. Victims choosing to make a restricted report will have that choice honored. Victims must feel confident that their personal safety will be protected and they will not be re-victimized by the command.

4. Alcohol has been cited in a large percentage of sexual assault incidents. Irresponsible consumption of alcohol does place Marines at increased risk. It is imperative that we take care of each other and not allow anyone to be victimized due to intoxication.

5. Leaders at all levels will take immediate action to become familiar with the reference and all personnel will be educated on its contents annually. MCCS is the agency tasked to provide training to units as well as assistance to victims of sexual assault.

6. The MCCS Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) Program Manager contact numbers are; Office: (703) 693-4733; Cell: (571) 205-1298.

7. A copy of this policy shall be prominently displayed on command information boards and incorporated into unit directives and orders.

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