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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

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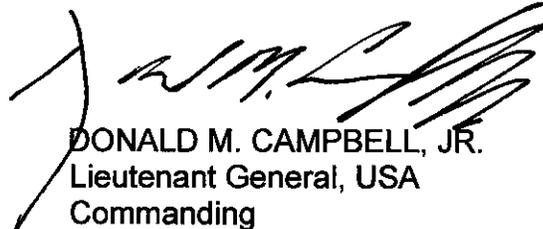
MEMORANDUM FOR Major Subordinate Commanders

SUBJECT: Memorial Day Safety Message 2011

1. On 30 May 2011, we as a community will celebrate Memorial Day to honor the men and women who gave their lives in defense of the principles and ideals we cherish as a Nation. We honor the courageous Soldiers who have served so selflessly throughout history, bonded by the loyalties of duty and sacrifice. As an Army at war, pride in our service could not be higher.
2. During this holiday weekend, safety must be everyone's number one priority. III Corps has experienced five off-duty accidental fatalities during FY11. Although this number is the least in recent history, we cannot let our guard down. To ensure that all return home safely, commanders and leaders must adequately brief their Soldiers on warm weather accident prevention. As a minimum, Soldiers must be briefed on the following subjects prior to being released for the extended holiday weekend: water safety (to include preventive measures for swimming and boating related accidents), heat injury/stress prevention, sunburn prevention, and POV/motorcycle safety. Stress to Soldiers the importance of using seat belts, protective gear (motorcycle riders), not speeding, and not driving while fatigued or intoxicated.
3. Prior to releasing Soldiers for the long weekend, commanders must ensure that unit leaders have reviewed each Soldier's risk assessment plan in order to identify potentially unsafe activities. Leaders are charged with the responsibility to provide workable and safe alternative suggestions/control measures for those activities that they deem unsafe. Family Members are an integral part of our total team. Soldiers must ensure our Family Members are also equipped with safety information to make good risk decisions and enjoy an accident-free weekend.
4. As we remember our fallen comrades this Memorial Day, let us not forget the many Soldiers of this great Nation who are currently deployed throughout the world defending the values and liberties we hold so dear. Please enjoy a safe holiday weekend. God Bless.

PHANTOM WARRIORS!

*Have a Great  
Memorial Day  
Weekend!*

  
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