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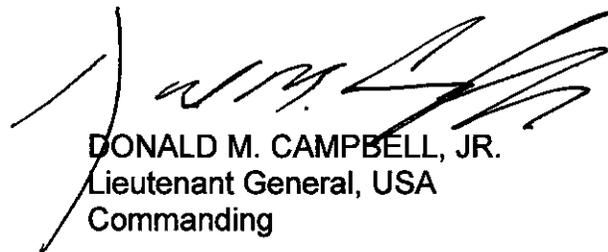
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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Presidents' Day Safety 2012

1. On 20 February, Fort Hood will join with the Nation and honor two of America's greatest Presidents, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. We honor these great men for their countless contributions to our Nation and for their unparalleled influence on America. Throughout their lives each man, through his strength of character and determination of spirit and will, helped to bring about order from chaos and unity from division.
2. Those of us who serve in the Armed Forces must continue to defend the rights and principles for which these men dedicated their lives. Our ability to accomplish our mission is diminished each time we lose a teammate to a needless accident. In the recent past, III Corps has done well to minimize accidental fatalities over holiday weekends. We must be vigilant and disciplined on the roadways to ensure this trend continues.
3. Many of our Soldiers, Family members, and civilians will use this long holiday weekend to travel outside the local area to visit Family and friends. Everyone must take the necessary precautions against possible hazards like adverse weather conditions, fatigue, speeding, vehicle failures, and impaired drivers. We must also be increasingly mindful of the threat posed by aggressive drivers. These drivers can present a very serious hazard as they dart in and out of traffic, speed, tailgate, run stop signs and red lights, and display rude behavior directed towards other drivers. When dealing with aggressive drivers, we have to exercise restraint, be courteous, and follow the rules of the road. We have a responsibility to ensure that our Soldiers are aware of these hazards as well as the risk reduction measures that are available.
4. Let us reflect and pay tribute to Presidents George Washington and Abraham Lincoln for their dedicated service to our Nation. Each brought strength and discipline to our country during times of great difficulty and strife. I hope everyone displays the same strength and discipline – have a safe and happy weekend.

*Let's all enjoy  
this holiday  
weekend safely!*

  
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