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LETTER OF INSTRUCTION 54-16

From: Commanding General  
To: Distribution List

Subj: MORONGO BASIN VETERANS' DAY TRIBUTE

1. Situation. The Commanding General, Marine Air Ground Task Force Training Command, Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center (MCAGCC) has directed the Assistant Chief of Staff (AC/S) G-5, Government and External Affairs Office, to support the Morongo Basin Veterans' Day Tribute on 11 November 2016.

2. Mission. To publish information and instructions for the support of the Morongo Basin Veterans' Day Tribute.

3. Execution

a. Commander's Intent and Concept of Operations

(1) Commander's Intent. To maintain positive relations between the Combat Center and the citizens of the Morongo Basin.

(2) Concept of Operations. Contingent on operational management, support the Morongo Basin Veterans' Day Tribute by providing personnel and equipment.

b. Subordinate Element Missions

(1) AC/S G-5, Public Affairs Office. Provide appropriate media coverage for this event.

(2) Commanding Officer, Headquarters Battalion. Provide a Color Guard to participate in this event.

(3) I Marine Expeditionary Force (I MEF) Support. Request rolling stock vehicles to participate in this event with a static display as designated by I MEF.

c. Coordinating Instructions

(1) The Coordinating Officer for this event is Ms. Kim Pope at (760) 830-5651, cell (760) 401-0165, or kimberly.pope@usmc.mil.

(2) On 11 November 2016, Marines participating in the Morongo Basin Veterans' Day Tribute will travel from MCAGCC to the Yucca Valley Community Center on Twentynine Palms Highway, arriving at approximately 0930. Upon arrival, the Marines providing the static display will set up their portion of the Veterans' Day Tribute display. Once the event is completed, the Marines will return to MCAGCC.

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(3) The senior member of each unit will call the Command Duty Officer both when departing and returning to the base at (760) 830-7200.

(4) Timeline for 11 November 2016

0900 - Depart MCAGCC  
0930 - Units participating in the event arrive at Yucca Valley Community Center  
1000 - Event begins  
1300 - Event concludes; Marines depart for MCAGCC  
1330 - Units return to MCAGCC, mission complete

(5) Uniforms for the Event

(a) Units participating in the static display will be in the seasonal Marine Pattern (MARPAT) Marine Corps Combat Utility Uniform (MCCUU).

(b) The Headquarters Battalion Color Guard's uniform will be the Blue Dress "B" uniform.

(c) The spirit and intent of the Commandant of the Marine Corps guidance for wearing uniforms off base will be strictly adhered to. No MARPAT MCCUU will be worn in a liberty status. However, it is understood that the Marines driving tactical vehicles for static displays and parades will be in the seasonal MARPAT MCCUU. These Marines will stay next to their vehicles and will be briefed that they are not in a liberty status. As such, they will conduct themselves professionally, promoting the positive image of the United States Marine Corps. The senior Marine participating will be responsible for ensuring the intent of wearing the MARPAT uniform during this event is met and will establish guidelines for stops of necessity (head calls, chow runs, etc.).

4. Administration and Logistics. Directives issued by this Headquarters are published and distributed electronically. Electronic versions of Combat Center letters of instruction (LOI) can be found at <http://www.29palms.marines.mil/Staff/G1-Manpower/Adjutant-Office/Letters-of-Instruction/>.

5. Command and Signal

a. Command. This LOI is applicable to active duty, reserve, and civilian personnel participating in this event.

b. Signal. This LOI is effective the date signed.

  
J. F. HARP  
Chief of Staff

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