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HEADQUARTERS, 3D CORPS SUPPORT COMMAND
UNIT 29620
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REPLY TO
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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: 3d Corps Support Command (COSCOM) Policy Memorandum #10, Family Readiness System

1. **PURPOSE.** To establish policy in regard to the 3D COSCOM Family Readiness System.
2. **APPLICABILITY.** Headquarters, 3D COSCOM and all subordinate units.
3. **BACKGROUND.** The military chain of command is responsible for identifying and addressing the needs of soldiers and families within their command, especially those arising from frequent family separations. The chain of command, through expressed and demonstrated care and concern, can establish an atmosphere that encourages family readiness and self-reliance. The incorporation of family member involvement, in the form of an institutionalized Family Readiness System, is one method commanders can use to establish this atmosphere within their command. The Family Readiness System consists of the unit Rear Detachment Commanders, unit Family Readiness Liaisons, and Family Readiness Groups.
4. **POLICY.**
 - a. In accordance with the provisions outlined in DA Pamphlet 608-47, Family Readiness Groups, all 3D COSCOM company-sized units will establish and continuously maintain a Family Readiness Group (FRG) minimum to enhance family self-sufficiency during times of separation; to help resolve or refer problems that may arise to the appropriate installation or military agency; and to provide families with critical information pertaining to the unit.
 - b. Prior to deployments, Commanders should ensure that the FRG effectively transitions from the "sustainment" to the "active" phase in preparation to provide assistance to family members.
 - c. Commanders will maintain qualified rear detachment commanders (RDC) and Family Readiness liaisons through participation in the USAREUR training program. The RDC for company-sized units will be in the rank of SSG or above; CPT or above for battalion-sized units.

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d. The FRG and liaisons should feel free to forward through command channels any issues that they feel may need my attention; these issues would include any that would be of use in organizing and maintaining family support groups or of use to the command or community.

e. Unit Family Readiness Groups are combat multipliers and they have my full support. I expect 3D COSCOM unit commanders to ensure their visibility and reward their leaders for volunteerism.

5. SUPERSESSION. This policy supersedes the previous Family Readiness System Policy Memorandum.

6. EXPIRATION. This policy memorandum expires 1 August 2004.

7. "Sustaining the Line!"

//ORIGINAL SIGNED//
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