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Housing office provides safe, clean homes for families, ensures mission readiness



A local contractor cleans a windowsill during a home inspection May 7, at Kadena Air Base. Members from the 718th Civil Engineer Squadron's Okinawa Military Housing office are performing inspections daily to ensure cleanliness in order to provide safe homes for military families who arrive during the COVID-19 crisis.

(U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton)

By Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton

18th Wing Public Affairs
5/12/2020 - KADENA AIR BASE — For months, Okinawa Military Housing has worked to protect service members and families as well as their employees by providing available homes, protective equipment and enforcing social distancing wherever possible.

Providing a safe and clean home allows service members who arrive at Kadena AB to focus

on their mission knowing their families are taken care of.

There are currently over 300 units prepared to support contingency housing requirements across the island and the housing office has the ability to surge and prepare more if needed

“Ensuring homes are safe is vital to preserving our readiness,” said Capt. Gregory Brady, 718th Civil Engineer Squadron housing flight commander. “In the midst of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, our service members

must be ready to execute in support of preserving peace in the Pacific. Providing safe and clean homes allows them to focus on their mission.”

Upon arrival, members and their families are placed into a 14-day Restriction of Movement phase where they’re monitored by both their unit leadership as well as medical teams. Many of these members begin teleworking during this time in order to be

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U.S. Forces Japan extends Japan-wide public health emergency

By U.S. Forces Japan

5/12/2020 - YOKOTA AIR BASE, Tokyo — The commander of U.S. Forces Japan, Lt. Gen. Kevin Schneider, extended the public health emergency (PHE) today for all of Japan. This order extends the previous Japan-wide PHE declared on April 15, 2020.

The PHE will remain in effect through June 14, 2020, unless it is renewed or terminated sooner by the USFJ Commander.

USFJ continually assesses preventative measures and continues to encourage strict hygiene and social distancing to reduce the risk of transmission.

在日米軍、日本全国の米軍基地・施設を対象とした公衆衛生非常事態宣言を延長

2020年5月12日付

横田基地、東京 — 在日米軍司令官ケビン・シュナイダー中将は本日、日本全国の米軍基地・施設を対象とした公衆衛生非常事態宣言を延長しました。この命令は、2020年4月15日に発令された以前の日本全国の米軍基地・施設を対象とした公衆衛生非常事態宣言を延長するものです。

公衆衛生非常事態宣言は、在日米軍司令官により更新または解除されない限り、2020年6月14日まで有効です。

感染拡大のリスクを軽減するために、在日米軍は必要な予防手段を継続的に検証し、厳格な衛生管理とソーシャルディスタンスを奨励します。

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1st SOS legacy continues with the MC-130J



(U.S. Air Force photo by 1st Lt. Renee Douglas)

▲ Col Michael Thomas officiated an in-flight Change of Command between Lt Col Joshua Petry and Lt Col Jaefen Thielker in the cargo compartment of a MC-130J Air Commando II.

By 1st Lt. Renee Douglas

353rd Special Operations Group
4/21/2020 - KADENA AIR BASE — In a

unique Change of Command ceremony the 1st Special Operations Squadron gained a new commander and the responsibility for

a fleet of MC-130J Air Commando IIs previously assigned to the 17th Special Operations Squadron on Friday, April 17.

This event marked a historic moment for the 353rd Special Operations Group, the 1st SOS and the 17th SOS. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic a traditional ceremony gathering the squadrons in formation wasn't possible so instead the 1st SOS and the 17th SOS flew in formation. A formation flight made up of two MC-130Js, Jakal 01 and Goose 01, flew over Okinawa to symbolically recognize the contributions the 17th SOS has made to U.S. airpower since WWII, and to symbolize the transition of its members and aircraft to the 1st SOS.

This was the last flight of the 17th SOS in the Pacific Theater. This flight also marked the inaugural MC-130J Commando II flight for the 1st SOS and the squadron's Change of Command.

When the two aircraft passed in formation over Kadena Air Base the 17th SOS Commander, Lt Col Joshua Jackson, flying Jakal 01, broke off from the formation and landed for the last time. The moment Jakal 01 landed the 1st SOS became the only

active specialized air mobility squadron in the Pacific Theater. Col Michael Thomas then officiated an in-flight Change of Command between Lt Col Joshua Petry and Lt Col Jaefen Thielker in the cargo compartment of Goose 01.

Members of the 1st SOS participated in Operation EAGLE CLAW 40 years ago. Out of this operation, the 1st SOS earned the motto “With the Guts to Try”. As is tradition in the 1st SOS, each time a new type of aircraft becomes the primary aircraft, the squadron's flying callsign changes. The 1st SOS has flown under the callsign, “Stray” with MC-130E Combat Talon aircraft, and most recently with “Goose” when it flew MC-130H Combat Talon II aircraft. With the MC-130J Commando II aircraft the 1st SOS will now assume the callsign “Guts”.

“A sincere thank you to the men and women across the SOG who made this unique heritage ceremony possible, and to the many that have served in both squadrons throughout the years,” said Colonel Michael Thomas, Commander, 353rd SOG. “The Batcats will remember there is “No Mission too Demanding” because we will always have “The Guts to Try”.”

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prepared for mission essential tasks once the ROM phase ends.

"To date, we have had over more than 200 personnel complete their 14-day ROM in contingency housing," Brady explained.

Beginning in February, the housing office was tasked with leaning forward to make sure there were areas and places to house members and their families who arrived at KAB and needed to be put into a ROM status.

"The first six contingency homes we used are on Kadena AB and isolated from the remainder of the base," said Senior Master Sgt. Tyhae Willocks, 718th CES, housing flight superintendent. "The location was perfect to ensure social distancing and separation from the remaining base populace. These homes already had furniture and appliances in them so it made the most sense to put members there for their ROM duration."

After the initial wave of families arrived, the housing office located an additional 30 homes which met the criteria. They immediately assigned maintenance teams to work on getting the homes up to standard quickly to accommodate projected incoming arrivals.

"The first iteration was relatively small consisting of 36 homes," Willocks said. "However, as COVID-19 evolved we saw the need to lean forward by locating and furnishing more homes for use. We expanded our capabilities and our housing maintenance and furnishing teams worked around-the-clock in order to keep members who arrive separate while they undergo their ROM. This ensures their safety as well as the rest of the base."

Additionally, the housing office implemented procedures at their facilities across Okinawa to protect employees and customers.

"We procured glass dividers and mount-

ed them on desks to provide droplet protection for our customers and employees," Brady said. "Our furniture repair section switched from re-upholstering furniture to production of cloth masks. These masks were provided to both our employees and the rest of the 18th Wing."

Along with providing increased protective equipment, an important part of lowering the potential spread of COVID-19 is to reduce personal contact.

"We've moved to split shift operations to minimize the number of employees present in any of our facilities at any time," Brady continued. "We stopped all walk-in support and moved to appointment only as many requests do not require the customer to visit our office in person and can be addressed remotely."

These measures have reduced foot traffic in the housing office by 70% since January, according to Brady.

Additionally, led by Willocks, the housing office has held multiple Facebook live events to communicate with residents and provide customer support and service. Customers can reach out to them via Facebook messenger for quick and convenient responses to questions.

"While our Eagle Hardware stores have reduced availability, we have ensured customers still receive self-help parts and have a volunteer-based delivery system which is more convenient and safer for residents," Brady said.

According to Brady, to support Okinawa-wide requirements, the 718th CES surveyed all of the vacant houses on the island primarily looking at houses under construction or renovation. The 718th CES oversees a \$1.4B military family housing construction program to support the Air Force's efforts to revitalize Military Family Housing on Okinawa.

"Many of these homes had minor maintenance requirements so our inspectors



Midori Hashimoto, 718th Civil Engineer Squadron housing office customer service clerk, speaks to a customer May 5, at Kadena Air Base.

(U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton)

and maintenance teams did a full survey of all the homes, addressed the minor repair requirements, cleaned the houses, and delivered furniture," Brady explained. "The 718th Force Support Squadron provided linens to ensure service members can arrive at a home that is ready for a family to live in."

The goal is at least 500 houses ready and available to be used as contingency homes. Additionally, the housing office has a plan for well over 800 homes to be available in the coming months if required.

"As Okinawa Military Housing we are responsible for every Department of Defense service member and family on the island," Willocks said. "So we decided to carve out a section on each installation that can accommodate members and their families. This provides each camp or base the opportunity and ability to have their own contingency housing."

One of the largest efforts was on U.S.

Marine Corps Base Camp Kinser where an apartment tower renovation was completed just in time for use as contingency housing.

"When the tower on Camp Kinser became available it gave us the option to outfit the entire tower with appliances and furniture, then hand it over to the camp leadership so they have the ability to isolate and ROM members as needed," Willocks stated.

Despite the suitable temporary living conditions, the housing office wants to be able to provide members with homes.

"Our biggest focus now is catching members who come off of ROM so they are able to be immediately moved into permanent homes. Doing this helps the members and their families better adjust to living and working here. The uncertainty of the situation can cause more stress for these members, so we work hard to ensure they are aware of their options and are able to get a permanent home quickly."

DoD, Department of the Air Force take steps to protect military families moving during COVID-19

By Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs

5/6/2020 - ARLINGTON, Va.

— The Department of Defense, in conjunction with U.S. Transportation Command, has adopted a set of safety measures and protocols designed to protect military personnel and their families who are required to move household goods to new assignments during the corona-

virus pandemic.

Secretary of Defense Mark Esper authorized the measures, which went into immediate effect.

Under the new standards, moving industry personnel must adhere to all Centers for Disease Control and Prevention COVID-19 health protection protocols while in the service member's residence. That means moving personnel must

wear face coverings, clean frequently touched surfaces and sanitize their hands often. They must also minimize the number of personnel at the member's residence in order to meet social distancing requirements.

In addition to prescribing health and safety standards that all moving companies and their employees must meet, the standards also outline specific powers that any military mem-

ber can use. For example, the member can deny entry to moving personnel or question them about adhering to health protection protocols. They also are specifically empowered to terminate the move entirely if they feel the moving crew is compromising their safety. The move would be rescheduled at a later date.

"It's important that DoD families know they are empowered to make decisions on the spot and that they have a voice in the process," said Rick Marsh, director of the Defense Personal Property Program at US-TRANSCOM.

Although the Department of Defense is operating under a "stop movement" order through at least June 30, some personnel have been authorized to move to new locations to meet critical mission requirements.

The military services (U.S. Army, Navy, Marines Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard and Space Force) are required to verify with 100% of their service members that moving companies are complying with these safety measures during their moves.

Visit move.mil to read the latest guidance for Defense Personal Property Program customers.

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DOD launches financial education website for military spouses

Courtesy of the Department of Defense Office of Financial Readiness

5/11/2020 — Military spouses often are the family's chief financial officer. From managing permanent-change-of-station moves to unexpected emergencies and changes in pay, there is little doubt about the importance of understanding the unique circumstances of managing personal finances in the military life.

In recognition of military spouses and the important role they have in keeping the force financially ready, The Department of Defense Office of Financial Readiness introduces MilSpouse Money Mission, a new financial education resource just for military spouses.

MilSpouse Money Mission is the DOD's primary resource designed for and to provide military spouses with trusted information they can use to be more empowered and actively be involved in making financial decisions for their families' financial well-being and achievement of financial goals, officials said.

MilSpouse Money Mission offers military spouses acces-

sible, free financial education and resources, including:

- **Money Ready** — A guide to support the education of spouses in tackling a variety of financial topics most relevant to their current situations;
- **MilLife Milestones** — A resource to empower spouses to make smart money moves during life's big moments;
- **Videos** — Featuring financial tips and tools by fellow military spouses;
- **Blog** — Real conversations covering the latest money-related topics and issues;
- **Resources** — Military support links, financial calculators, quizzes and more to elevate financial literacy; and
- **Social Media** — A community of support and motivation to help spouses lead their best financial lives.

MilSpouse Money Mission aims to create a community for military spouses and to help them know where to turn for trusted financial education, officials explained.

Follow and share MilSpouse Money Mission on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, YouTube, Pinterest and visit the Office of Financial Readiness for additional financial tools and resources.

309th Electronics Maintenance Group mission ready, delivers critical parts to the warfighter



(U.S. Air Force photo by Cynthia Griggs)

Greg Olsen, 309th Electronics Maintenance Group, welds a part from a B-809 ground power unit April 29, at Hill Air Force Base, Utah.

By Cynthia Griggs

75th Air Base Wing Public Affairs
5/12/2020 - HILL AIR FORCE BASE, UT — The 309th Electronics Maintenance Group out of the Ogden Air Logistics Complex at Hill Air Force Base is still mission-ready even with COVID-19 protections in place.

The 309th EMXG is the electronics center for the Ogden ALC and provides repair and overhaul for exchangeable assets for a multitude of systems on a wide assortment of Air Force weapons systems including fighter aircraft, intercontinental ballistic missiles, powered aerospace ground equipment, tactical shelters, as well as refurbishment of radomes worldwide.

The group employs more than 700 personnel distributed across four squadrons and three support sections. The group also has a geo-

graphically separated unit at Kadena Air Base in Okinawa, which provides depot-level support to the Pacific theater.

Ronald Carver, 309th EMXG deputy director, said nearly 15% of the group's employees are teleworking during the pandemic.

"Teleworking is a new concept for us and has required some change in how we manage our workloads and communication as a team," said Carver. "Largely they perform support and planning functions, such as managing training, facilities and resources."

The employees remotely manage the workload coming and schedule when and what shops will take on new work as well.

Carver said one of the lessons they've learned is building the group's information technology infrastructure. He said the group is

in the process of procuring additional portable computers to allow for more flexibility.

Much of the 309th EMXG's workload involves repair and overhaul of electrical systems that cannot be done from home. Carver said personal work areas have been adjusted to maximize social distancing in the electrical shops.

A second shift was also added in the generator squadron where the work areas do not allow for social distancing. In addition, workers have been issued cloth face coverings to give them additional protection when it's needed.

"We have been very fortunate that none of our team members have been directly affected by the virus and we are making sure that all our valued team members stay healthy," said Carver.

He said he's proud of the workforce's flexibility and with the way the mission continues to be executed delivering critical parts to the warfighter.

"The support to the warfighter hasn't faltered thanks to the dedication of the people of EMXG," Carver said. "We had people work overtime or in other shops in order to make sure critical assets are delivered."

Despite the stress of the pandemic, Carver said the employees for the most part have been doing well.

"They are just eager to have all the team back together and to get more work brought in," he said.

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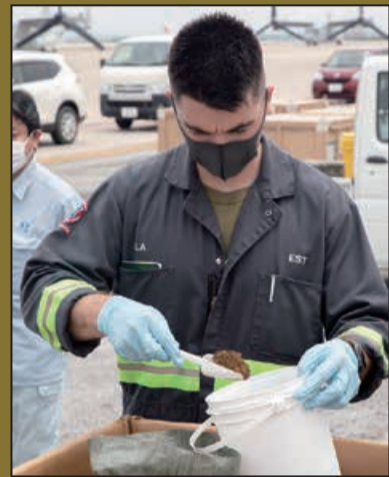
(U.S. Marine Corps photo by Pfc. Courtney A. Robertson)

U.S. Marines with Combat Logistics Battalion 4, 3rd Marine Logistics Group, hook simulated cargo to a CH-53E Super Stallion at Landing Zone Swan, Okinawa, May 1. CLB-4 conducts Helicopter Support Team operations to train landing support specialists and pilots to transfer heavy equipment and supplies with a CH-53E Super Stallion.

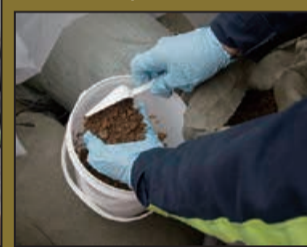
Members of the Okinawan Government sample soil on MCAS Futenma



(U.S. Marine Corps photos by LCpl. Zachary R. Larsen)



U.S. Marines and Sailors assist Okinawa Government Officials by sampling soil on Marine Corps Air Station Futenma, May 11. Representatives from Marine Corps Installations Pacific, Okinawa Defense Bureau, and Okinawa Prefectural Government will each receive 7 sample bottles of soil.



DoD to implement new laws for tobacco sales beginning in August



(U.S. Army illustration by Graham Snodgrass)

By Douglas Holl

5/5/2020 - ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. — Although most Americans are rightfully focused on the current health threat posed by the novel coronavirus, or COVID-19, tobacco use is still the number one cause of preventable disease, disability and death in the United States.

In recognition of the long-term harm caused by early onset tobacco use, President Donald Trump signed legislation in December 2019 amending the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and raising the federal minimum age for sale of tobacco products from 18 to 21 years. This legislation, known as Tobacco 21 or T21, makes it unlawful for any retailer to sell tobacco

products — including cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, hookah tobacco, cigars, pipe tobacco, electronic nicotine delivery systems including e-cigarettes and e-liquids to any person younger than 21 years of age. Effective Aug. 1, the Department of Defense will no longer sell tobacco products to anyone under the age of 21, including service members.

The Office of the Under Secretary of Defense published policy making it unlawful for any retail outlet on DOD installations and facilities within the U.S. and its territories and possessions, and on U.S. naval vessels at a U.S. port, to sell tobacco products, including electronic nicotine delivery systems, to any person younger than 21 years of age. Retail outlets are required to post signs no later than July 1 informing patrons of this policy change.

“Research has shown that raising the legal age of sale to 21 would likely reduce youth tobacco initiation and use,” said Corey Fitzgerald, Army Public Health Center public health social worker. “Nearly all smokers start as children or young adults and these groups are heavily targeted by the tobacco industry. Early onset of tobacco use

increases risks of smoking-related illnesses and death.”

According to the APHC 2018 Health of the Force report, 23 percent of Soldiers reported tobacco use with prevalence ranging from 8.3 percent to 31 percent across Army installations. Smokers under the age of 25 are the largest group represented. Across the age groups, the prevalence of tobacco use among male Soldiers was more than double that of female Soldiers.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention indicate if the current rate of cigarette smoking among Americans under the age of 18 continues, 5.6 million of those youths will die from a smoking-related disease. This would equate to one of every 13 Americans under the age of 18 alive today.

“APHC’s challenge goal is to eliminate tobacco use from the Army by 2025,” said Fitzgerald. “The Soldier of 2025 is in middle school today. We highlight the Tobacco Free Living program on our website to help Soldiers, Family members, Department of the Army Civilians, and military retirees, adopt lifestyles that prevent the initiation of tobacco use, help those who want to quit tobacco succeed, live free from the effects of second and third-hand smoke exposure, and create tobacco free zones where children live, learn and play.”

Fitzgerald says the APHC TFL website is a targeted priority in the Department of Defense Instruction 1010.10, Health Promotion and Disease Prevention.

“We continuously update the site to reflect the latest TFL evidence-based strategies and interventions,” said Fitzgerald.

Fitzgerald says it’s important for leaders to support the T21 policy change.

“For this policy to be effective at increasing the readiness and health of our Army, leaders at all levels need to communicate support of Tobacco 21 laws,” said Fitzgerald. “Tobacco 21 with no military exemption was passed because the health of our young Soldiers is just as important as their civilian peers.”

The APHC “Education for Individuals” Tobacco Free Living toolkit offers a number of resource links to assist Soldiers, Civilians and Family members with the goal of tobacco-free living.

The Army Public Health Center focuses on promoting healthy people, communities, animals and workplaces through the prevention of disease, injury and disability of Soldiers, military retirees, their families, veterans, Army civilian employees, and animals through population-based monitoring, investigations, and technical consultations.

U.S. Service members return from Guam



U.S. service members arrive from Guam on Kadena Air Base, April 27. While in Guam, U.S. service members with 3rd Marine Logistics Group offloaded an Expeditionary Medical Facility (EMF) from the Watson-class vehicle cargo ship USNS Dahl (T-AKR-312). The EMF will provide expanded medical capabilities in support of the DoD’s COVID-19 response and enable forces to be postured to support Guam and the region if a Defense Support of Civil Authorities (DSCA) mission is requested.



(U.S. Marine Corps photos by Pfc. Courtney A. Robertson)

U.S. Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Gabriel Garcia checks in service members arriving from Guam on Kadena Air Base, April 27.

VP-45 participates in 7th Fleet integrated operations

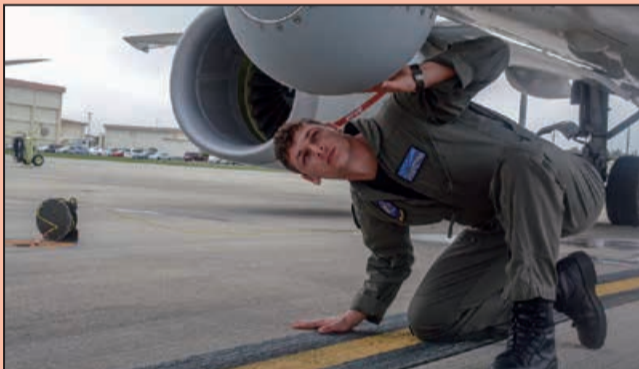


Service members from Patrol Squadron FOUR FIVE perform pre-flight procedures on a P-8A Poseidon aircraft, May 5. VP-45 is participating in 7th fleet integrated operations designed to coordinate and synchronize maritime operations in the Indo-Pacific.

(U.S. Navy photos by Mass Communication Specialist Seaman Thomas A. Higgins)



Service members from Patrol Squadron FOUR FIVE perform pre-flight procedures on a P-8A Poseidon aircraft, May 5, at Kadena Air Base.



AWO3 Kolten Wiechman from Patrol Squadron FOUR FIVE performs pre-flight procedures on a P-8A Poseidon aircraft, May 5.

Social distancing award ceremony



Capt. Scott Hardy, Commander, Fleet Activities Okinawa commanding officer, conducts an awards ceremony in accordance with current social distancing requirements at CFAO, Kadena Air Base, May 8.

(U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class David R. Krigbaum)

Seabees with NMCB-5 support White Beach Naval Facility's Fire Station

Utilitiesman 3rd Class Richard Robledo, from Saint Marry, Georgia, and Builder 3rd Class Jaqueline Maleckar, from Cedar Lake, Indiana, both deployed with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5, cut sheets for the walls of a new mezzanine structure at White Beach Naval Facility's Fire Station, in support of Commander Fleet Activities Okinawa, May 5.



(U.S. Navy photo by Lt. Joshua Moore)

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NOTICE

PCS (Current as of May 12)

18th Logistics Readiness Squadron Passenger Travel and Personal Property Shipments (HHG and UB) for Air Force PCS, TDY, and government-funded leave are stopped IAW latest Stop Movement policies with the exception of the following:

- Passenger Travel and Personal Property Shipments for approved Retirements or Separations
- Personal Property Shipments that have been picked up by carrier and are in transit
- Passenger Travel and Personal Property Shipments with a GO-level approved Exception to Policy (ETP)
- Passenger Travel and Personal Property Shipments allowed for Joint Staff-Approved deployments Members with an approved ETP can contact the local TMO to reschedule Passenger Travel and/or Personal Property Shipments with Unit Commander endorsement.

At this time all other members can schedule Passenger Travel and/or Personal Property Shipments for a pack date or travel start date after 24 May 2020 for moves to/from OCONUS or 15 May 2020 for moves within CONUS.

For guidance on stop movement, PCS, TDY, contingency deployments, and leave, log in to "https://mypers.af.mil" for the most up-to-date Air Force information.

Squadron commanders are authorized to make specific exemptions to the Stop Movement Order.

1. Personnel with orders to Kadena on an unaccompanied short tour
2. Personnel who have final out-processed with the MPF and were ordered to remain in place
3. Personnel whose household goods have been picked up and shipped
4. Personnel with orders to AETC training courses, to include ROTC and OTS.

Additionally, commanders are authorized to

make exceptions to allow travel of inbound dependents to join their member at Kadena and to allow the return of Kadena personnel from non-GFM TDY or leave.

JSVRO OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT 2020 ROAD TAX

1. ROAD TAX PAYMENT. The on-base 2020 Mobile Road Show events are cancelled.
 2. ROAD TAX OFFICE are no longer accepting SOFA members at their office for payment, due to COVID risk increase. Members may pay their 2020 Road Tax fees through the following means:
 - INSURANCE OFFICE OPTION: Y Plated Vehicles can process payments at any on-base insurance offices. Please contact your local insurance office for verification of service. Members must bring fees in Yen and their original Japanese title, individuals will receive a Road Tax receipt upon payment.
 - CITY HALL OFFICES: A/Yellow Plated/Mini-Cars and motorcycles must process their payments at their respective City Hall Office. Members must bring fees in Yen and their original Japanese title, individuals will receive a Road Tax receipt upon payment.
 3. DECAL ISSUANCE. All SOFA members must receive a 2020 Road Tax Decal from JSVRO. Members must bring their 2020 Road Tax payment receipts for JSVRO. Please utilize the Drive-Thru Lane, at JSVRO Bldg 5638, Camp Foster with the following documents:
 - 2020 Road Tax Receipt
 - Original Japanese Title
 - Valid JCI Policy
 - Valid PDI (American Insurance) Policy
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- *Due to COVID-19 measures, the deadlines for Road Tax payment and decal issuance may change. Please visit our website our official website for further information or Contact JSVRO staff members for any questions/inquiries 645-7481.

How to File a Complaint with IG

If you believe you are unable to resolve your complaint through supervisory channels, you may seek IG assistance to determine if the complaint should be filed with the IG. You can file a complaint if you reasonably believe inappropriate conduct has occurred or a violation of law, policy, procedures, or regulation has been committed. Complete the personnel data information on an AF Form 102 and briefly outline the facts and relevant information related to the issue or complaint. List the allegations of wrongdoing briefly, in general terms and provide supporting narrative detail and documents later, when interviewed by an IG person. Allegations should be written as bullets and should answer who committed the violation; what violation was committed; what law, regulation, procedures, or policy was violated; when did the violation occur. Help is available: Call your Kadena IG office at 634-7622 for Maj Sarabia, 634-2768 for SMSgt Aguirre, or leave a message on the Kadena Fraud, Waste, & Abuse (FWA) Hotline at 634-0404.

Contact tracing has been implemented to track the possible spread of COVID-19

All personnel who live on, work on, or access the 18th Wing are required to maintain a daily contact tracing record. The contact tracing record will only be reviewed by medical personnel in support of COVID-19 tracing investigations. The record must include date, time, duration of contact, location, and names of individuals who meet the following conditions:

1. Being approximately within six feet or two meters of an individual for longer than 10 minutes
2. Anyone with whom they've had physical contact while caring for, living with, or visiting
3. Anyone having direct contact with an individual's secretions (coughing or sneezing on, or being coughed or sneezed on)

4. Individuals will also log date, time (arrival/departure) and location for any visits to healthcare facilities

Noncompliance with this directive by military members is punishable under the Uniformed Code of Military Justice. Those not subject to military law may be barred or denied access to the installation. For any questions or information, please see your respective chain of command.

INFORMATION

Kadena and Camp Foster Emergency Numbers

Kadena Fire Emergency Services reminds everyone to program their cell phones with the emergency numbers. To report an emergency on Kadena via cell, dial 098-934-5911, and from an office phone, dial 911. For Camp Foster via cell, dial 098-911-1911, or from an office phone, dial 911.

Base Facilities: (Current as of May 4)

Schools and Childcare:

DoDEA Schools: Closed indefinitely
 School Age Care: Open to single and dual military parents, and military with working spouses. Additional open spaces now allow for categories: DoD Civ, and Dual DoD
 Child Development Center: Open to single and dual military parents. Additional open spaces are reserved for families in accordance with the CDC wait list.

Youth and Teen Center: Closed

Family Child Care: First come, first served basis, 11 spaces, including 1 infant, are available

Military Personnel Flight

Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. by appointment only.

Defense Commissary Agency

Effective 10 April, all DeCA employees and patrons MUST wear a face covering when entering, working or shopping in any DeCA Commissary or facility.

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and has enough resources to accommodate Team Kadena's service members and their families. Hand sanitizer will be limited to one per transaction to ensure access for more individuals. Additionally, Kadena Commissary Curbside is open to all authorized commissary customers. Service limited to first come first served. If calling from a Japanese number dial 098-938-1111 then, at the dial tone dial 634-6272. Visit their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/KadenaCommissaryCurbside/>. AAFES and DeCA are working closely with their U.S. and local supply chains to ensure hand sanitizer and disinfectant products are available to their customers. Updates will come in-store and across their social media.

Dining Facilities

Dining facilities remain open.

FSS Activities

Please monitor the KadenaFSS website for event updates.

Chapel

Chapel is no longer conducting mass gatherings all week. However, Chaplain services are still available.

AAFES Food Delivery for individuals on restriction of movement

For customers under restriction of movement please take the time to enter the information below when making an order on the AAFES iMenu360 page. In the Special Instructions box please enter the following: "Please deliver to Bldg. # ___ and leave food by the door (specify

location) and knock on the door/ring doorbell to alert me that the delivery has been made. I am under ROM protocols so please maintain proper social distancing. Please call me at (cell phone #) if you have questions upon delivery."

McDaniel Center

All professional development seminars and lunch'n'learns are temporarily suspended until further notice with the exception of FTAC. One-on-one counseling sessions still available on an appointment only basis.

Public Affairs Photo Studio

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Current situation on Okinawa COVID-19

As of May 13th, there have been no new cases of COVID-19 on Okinawa in the last 13 days, according to the Okinawa Prefectural Government (OPG). More than 95 people have recovered. The total number of COVID-19 cases on island is 143 and there have been six COVID-19-related deaths. Close-contact has caused the infection for roughly 40 percent of the cases on Okinawa with many occurring among family members. OPG plans to lift the business closure request on 14 May affecting seven types of businesses with the exception of cabarets, night clubs, dance halls and adult entertainment establishments that usually lead to close proximity of customers and employees. Said businesses will remain closed until 20 May. In order to reopen, businesses will have to establish and adhere to guidelines against the spread of COVID-19. Local Okinawans are allowed to make outings as long as they avoid crowded places involving close contact. If necessary, the prefecture may re-impose restrictive measures. OPG's own state of emergency will stay in place until 31 May. The central government in Tokyo has started discussions on lifting the state of emergency declaration for 34 prefectures that are not under "special alert" before 31 May when the declaration is scheduled to end. Schools in 28 municipalities in Okinawa have decided to reopen between 11 and 21 May. Some of the municipalities are considering taking measures against COVID-19 such as having students commute on a staggered basis. Kadena Town, Okinawa Town and Chatan Town will reopen their schools on 21 May. OPG will continue to request that people refrain from visiting Okinawa and for Okinawa residents to refrain from unnecessary trips outside Okinawa.

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B-1B Lancers return to Indo-Pacific for bomber task force deployment



A B-1B Lancer assigned to the 28th Bomb Wing is taxied to parking at Ellsworth Air Force Base, S.D., April 30.

(U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Jette Carr)



A U.S. Air Force B-1B Lancer from the 28th Bomb Wing, Ellsworth Air Force Base, S.D., approaches a KC-135 Stratotanker from the 909th Air Refueling Squadron, to refuel during a 32-hour round-trip sortie to conduct operations over the Pacific as part of a joint U.S. Indo-Pacific Command and U.S. Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM) Bomber Task Force (BTF) mission April 30.

(U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Cynthia Belio)



(U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman River Bruce)

7th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron B-1B Lancer aircraft mechanics prepare to load an engine at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, May 3. The B-1 carries four engines that help it reach speeds of more than 900 mph.

By Kelley J. Stewart

Pacific Air Forces Public Affairs

5/1/2020 - JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM, Hawaii — B-1B Lancers returned to the Indo-Pacific region in May 1 to conduct bomber task force operations out of Andersen Air Base, Guam.

Four bombers and approximately 200 Airmen from the 9th Bomb Squadron, 7th Bomb Wing, Dyess Air Force Base, Texas, deployed to support Pacific Air Forces' training efforts with allies, partners and joint forces; and strategic deterrence missions to reinforce the rules-based international order in the Indo-Pacific region.

Three B-1Bs flew to Andersen AFB while one split off and flew down east of Japan to conduct training with U.S. Navy assets operating in the region before heading to Andersen AFB.

"Deployments like this allow our Airmen to enhance the readiness and training necessary to respond to any potential crisis or challenge across the globe," said Col. Ed. Sumangil, 7th BW commander. "It also provides a valuable opportunity to better integrate with our allies and partners through joint and combined operations and exercises."

In line with the National Defense Strategy's objectives of strategic predictability and operational unpredictability, the Bomber Task Force enables a mix of different types of strategic bombers to operate forward in the Indo-Pacific region from a broader array of overseas and Continental U.S. locations with greater operational resilience.

"The B-1 provides all of the training opportunities which the B-52 [Stratofortress] provided, plus the ability to train to advanced stand-off, anti-surface warfare with [Long Range Anti-Surface Missiles]," said Lt. Col. Frank, Welton, PACAF's chief of operations force management.

The B-1 can carry the largest conventional payload of both guided and unguided weapons in the U.S. Air Force.

"The B-1 is able to carry a larger payload of Joint Air-to-Surface Standoff Missiles and a larger payload of 2,000-pound class Joint Direct Attack Munitions," Welton said. "Additionally, the B-1 is able to carry the LRASM, giving it an advanced stand-off, counter-ship capability. It also has an advanced self-protection suite and is able to transit at supersonic speeds to enhance offensive and defensive capabilities."

The last time the B-1s were deployed to the region was in 2017. Bombers from the 9th Expeditionary Bomb Squadron supported missions from Andersen AFB, conducting multiple sequenced bilateral missions with the Republic of Korea Air Force and the Japan Air Self Defense Force.

"Our wing has conducted, and participated in, a variety of exercises over the last year to ensure we are primed for large-scale missions such as this one," said Sumangil. "We're excited to be back in Guam and proud to continue to be part of the ready bomber force prepared to defend America and its allies against any threat."

The last BTF deployed to the Pacific was in January 2019 when three B-2 Spirits and approximately 200 Airmen from the 393rd Bomb Squadron from Whiteman AFB, Missouri, deployed to Hawaii. The squadron conducted 37 sorties for a total of 171 hours. Eight of the missions were integration operations with F-22 Raptors from the 199th Fighter Squadron, 154th Wing, Hawaii Air National Guard.

BTF deployments to the INDOPACOM theater aren't the only way Air Force Global Strike Command supports combatant commands' objectives. AFGSC also con-

ducts long-range missions from the continental United States.

A CONUS to CONUS BTF was executed Feb. 3 when two B-52s Stratofortress conducted bilateral training near Misawa Air Base, Japan, with 13 JASDF F-2s, four F-4s and 28 F-15s; and six U.S. Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcons from the 35th Fighter Wing, Misawa AB.

Two other CONUS to CONUS BTF missions occurred April 22 and April 29 involving B-1B Lancers from the 37th Bomb Squadron, 28th Bomb Wing, Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota. The B-1s from the April 22 mission integrated with six U.S. Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcons from the 35th FW, and seven JASDF F-2s and eight JASDF F-15s over Draughton Range near Misawa for bilateral and theater familiarization training. The two B-1Bs on the April 29 mission conducted theater familiarization in the South China Sea in a demonstration of PACAF's commitment to fly, sail and operate where ever international law allows.

USSTRATCOM has conducted BTF missions since 2014, formerly known as Bomber Assurance and Deterrence mission until 2017.

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