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POLICY MEMORANDUM 1-06

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: United States Southern Command (USSOUTHCOM) Policy Memorandum -- Cell Phone Usage While Operating a Motor Vehicle

1. Reference. 32 CFR 634 – Motor Vehicle Traffic Supervision
2. Vehicle accidents remain a leading cause of military fatalities of which, an increasing number are attributed to driver distractions, particularly cell phone use.
3. All USSOUTHCOM military and civilian personnel who operate privately-owned vehicles, or Government vehicles on military installations, including the Federal Reserve Building, will not use hand-held communication devices such as cell phones, two-way radios, or personal data assistants (PDAs) while driving. Furthermore, all drivers operating Government vehicles outside military installations will not use hand-held communication devices.
4. Exception to this prohibition includes Department of Defense Police/Military Police, emergency maintenance personnel, and DOL/Housing/Public Works personnel performing duties in response to emergency situations.
5. The Directorate of Emergency Services (DES) will enforce this policy. DES security personnel will have the authority to stop vehicle operators on the installation and issue a DD Form 1408, Armed Forces Traffic Citation, for failure to comply with this policy.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

  
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