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Date:

MEMORANDUM FOR Record

SUBJECT: Exception to Return for Mission Essential Activities After COVID-19 Exposure

1. The following personnel was/were a close contact of a COVID-19 positive individual. I assessed this exposure as low risk in accordance with [DoD Force Health Protection Supplement #8](#). The individual(s) were tested for the presence of SARS-CoV-2, received negative results, and remain asymptomatic as confirmed by *(testing location)*. I and the individual(s) below acknowledge that a negative test cannot predict that an individual will remain free of COVID-19 as the infection may take as long as 14 days to manifest.

Please specify rank/title, last name, first name, reason why mission essential, and description of exposure (affiliation to COVID-positive individual and date/length of time together) for each individual:

2. The personnel listed above are permitted to return immediately to the USSOUTHCOM Headquarters building for mission essential activities as long as the individual(s) remain asymptomatic and comply with the following for 14 days after exposure: daily screening (symptoms/temperature), self-monitoring for COVID-19 symptoms, strict social distancing, wear of cloth face covering, and daily cleaning and disinfecting of work spaces. Interactions at work will be conducted virtually when possible. If the individual(s) develop symptoms while on duty, they should be sent home immediately.

3. Additionally, the below is true of all individuals in paragraph 1.

- Member is asymptomatic
- Member acknowledges and understands these requirements and restrictions
- Member agrees to comply with stated practices
- The mission dictates the need for physical office presence of member

4. Point of contact for this memorandum is
name, rank/title, and phone #).

(please specify)

Signature of First Flag Officer/General Officer or SES in CoC

First Name, MI, Last Name

Rank/Title, Position

*Note that all references are in italics, and blue font contain embedded hyperlinks.