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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Safety and Risk Management Program

1. As the First U.S. Army Safety Officer, I want to emphasize the importance of a proactive approach to safety management. Operations in the First U.S. Army area require special emphasis on military operations to include realistic training, mobilization, deployment, and assistance during natural disasters.
2. Consequently, we are exposed to occasional dangers and risks in our daily activities. While accidents are never intentional, I firmly believe that they can be prevented through direct command involvement, accurate risk management, effective planning, training, and supervision at all levels of command. No operation or activity is considered successful if we lose a life or sustain serious injury. It is a tragedy to lose young soldiers during war; it is inexcusable to lose them in peacetime.
3. The success of the First U.S. Army Safety and Risk Management Program is dependent on the interest and concern of commanders at all levels. I expect each officer, noncommissioned officer and civilian employee to join me in assuring that safety, and not accidents are the way of doing business in this command.

*A part of our
daily business!*

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