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FORT SILL, OKLAHOMA 73503-5000

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Operating Civilian or Privately Owned Drones/Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems on Fort Sill, CG Policy Memo 16-26

1. References:

- a. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Joint Order 7110.65
- b. Fort Sill Regulation 95-1, Army Aviation: General Provisions and Flight Regulations, 31 October 2015
- c. Fort Sill Regulation 95-23, Unmanned Aerial System Flight Regulations, 19 June 2013
- d. Fort Sill Regulation 200-1, Recreational Use, Management, Harvest, and Protection of Natural Resources, 31 July 2015

2. Scope. This policy applies to all personnel who live, work, or visit Fort Sill.

3. General. The purpose of this policy is to prevent accidents/incidents involving drones/Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (SUAS). The FAA prohibits drone/SUAS flights within five (5) miles of active airports without approval from air traffic control. All of the Fort Sill Cantonment Area is located within five (5) miles of Henry Post Army Airfield. In addition to the airborne risks involved with drone/SUAS, there is increased risk to automobiles and installation infrastructure. Improper use of these vehicles impacts the life, health and safety of all who live, work, and visit our installation.

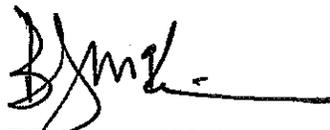
4. Policy:

- a. No person may operate a privately owned drone/SUAS within the confines of Fort Sill outside of the designated area and limitations described in this memorandum.
- b. Commanders and leaders at all levels will ensure compliance by all subordinates.
- c. The Fort Sill Polo Field is the designated operating area for drone/SUAS flights.
- d. All flights are restricted to altitudes less than 400 feet above the ground.

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- e. No aerial photography is permitted.
 - f. All operators must contact Director of Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security (DPTMS) Airfield Division (580-442-2004/4004) and obtain verbal approval prior to operating drones/SUAS on the Polo Field.
 - g. Flights are not permitted while any official function is taking place on the Polo Field.
 - h. All flights must be conducted during daylight hours and remain within visual contact throughout the flight.
5. This command policy remains in effect until superseded or rescinded.
6. The point of contact is the Air Traffic and Airspace Officer, DPTMS, 580-442-2387.



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