DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 18TH MILITARY POLICE BRIGADE
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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: 18th Military Police Brigade Command Policy Memorandum #6, Security of Sensitive Arms, Ammunition and Explosives (AA&E), Night Vision Devices (NVDs) and Global Positioning Devices (GPDs)

1. References:

a. AR 190-51, 30 September 1993, Physical Security of Arms, Ammunition and Explosives.

b. AR 190-11, 12 March 1998, Physical Security of Arms, Ammunition and Explosives.

c. AR 710-2, 31 October 1997, Supply Policy Below the Wholesale Level.

d. AR 710-2-1, 31 December 1997, Using Unit Supply Systems Manual Procedures.

e. AR 735-5, 10 June 2002, Policies and Procedures for Property Accountability.

f. V Corps Policy Memorandum #15, Security of NVDs and GPDs, 26 Nov 2001.

2. All unit commanders and leaders in this brigade will strictly adhere to Army regulations and V Corps policy for the accountability and security of AA&E, DNVs and GPDs. As Military Police, we are obligated to set the example in our physical security programs and maintain full accountability of equipment that is critical to our mission.

3. Positive control of AA&E will be maintained at all times; secured in weapon racks or containers in approved arms rooms with active Intrusion Detection Systems, or under control or guard of appointed personnel when necessary. For operations and training, weapons will be properly hand-receipted down to the user level when issued; with leaders conducting checks and submitting sensitive item report twice-daily IAW 18th Military Police Brigade FSOP. Ammunition and explosives will be controlled IAW AR 190-11.

4. NVDs and GPDs will be accounted for to the same standard as AA&E. At a minimum, NVDs and GPDs will be provided double barrier protection when not in use, IAW Para 3.6, reference a. When no other secure area is available, these items may be stored in unit arms rooms IAW Para 4-18a, reference b.

5. Battalion Commanders will appoint Physical Security Managers who will carry out duties IAW AR 190-13, and ensure that their security plans and procedures for the proper control and accountability of AA&E, NVDs and GPDs are written and disseminated to their subordinate units and applicable personnel. I expect commanders to conduct routine inspections and spot checks to ensure compliance.

6. Commanders will be selective in assigning personnel to duties involving control of AA&E. Only personnel who are mature, stable and dependable will be assigned to duties that involve responsibility for the control, accountability and shipment of AA&E. As part of this selection process, commanders will screen and evaluate personnel assigned these duties using DA Form 7281-R (Command Oriented Arms, Ammunition and Explosives (AA&E) Security Screening and Evaluation Records). Commanders will retain completed forms on file within their units until the individual departs or is relieved of his or her AA&E oriented duties.

7. Officers or Sergeant First Class and above will conduct the required monthly 100-percent by-serial-number inventories and account for each weapon, NVD, GPD and piece of ammunition as applicable. Inventories of weapons and ammunition will not be done by unit armorers nor by the same person two months in a row. Weapons, NVDs and GPDs not present during the inventory must be accounted for on a valid hand-receipt if signed out to a user, or a valid DA 5990-E (Maintenance Request) if the item is turned in to a Direct Support (DS) maintenance unit. For items in DS maintenance, the officer conducting the monthly inventory will contact the DS maintenance unit to validate the work order number on each DA 5990-E, ensuring the applicable item(s) is/are under the DS maintenance unit's control.

8. The Brigade S2 will inspect battalion physical security programs (to include company arms rooms) annually during command inspections. If a unit fails a command inspection because of minor deficiencies, the unit will correct these within 30 days and will be re-inspected at that time. Units failing an inspection because of one or more major deficiencies must correct them immediately and will be re-inspected at that time to ensure compliance.

9. POC for this memorandum is the undersigned at DSN 382-5600.

10. "EVER VIGILANT"

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