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From: Commander
To: Distribution List

Subj: PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING REQUESTS FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM

Ref: (a) DoDD 2000.11
(b) SECNAVINST 5710.22

1. Purpose. To establish procedures for handling requests by foreign nationals for political asylum aboard the Marine Corps Base (MCB) .

2. Cancellation. MCCDCO 5710.1A.

3. Summary of Revision. This Revision contains significant changes and should be reviewed in its entirety.

4. Background. The United States is signatory to an international treaty wherein it is agreed that no refugees shall be expelled or returned in any manner whatsoever to territories where their lives or freedom would be threatened on account of their race, religion, nationality, or membership in a particular social or political group. The references direct that when foreign nationals request asylum in a territory under exclusive United States jurisdiction, they will be received aboard any Navy or Marine Corps activity or station. In addition, they will be afforded all reasonable care and protection permitted by the circumstances and they will not be surrendered to any foreign jurisdiction without personal direction from the Secretary of the Navy.

5. Action

a. Provost Marshal

(1) Take custody of person(s) seeking political asylum and provide security measures to assure the safety of the individual(s) against attempts at forcible repatriation.

(2) Immediately notify and provide as much information as is available to the Headquarters Marine Corps Command Center (DSN 225-7366), the MCB Chief of Staff (DSN 278-5902), the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (DSN 278-2993), the Staff Judge Advocate (DSN 278-3695), and the Public Affairs Officer (DSN 278-3256).

(3) As soon as possible after the person(s) is in custody, prepare and release an immediate precedence message to the Commandant of the Marine Corps (CMC) (JA), containing the following information:

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- (a) Name(s) and nationality(ies) of person(s).
 - (b) Date, place of birth, and occupation.
 - (c) Description of any documentation in possession.
 - (d) What foreign authorities are aware of request for asylum (if any known).
 - (e) Circumstances surrounding request for asylum.
 - (f) Exact location of person(s) seeking asylum.
 - (g) Reason(s) for requesting asylum.
 - (h) Description of any criminal charges against person(s) seeking asylum.
 - (i) Any communist or other party affiliation, and foreign government office now held or previously occupied.
 - (j) If applicable, whether a field office of the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service; *OR Department of State* has been notified.
 - (k) Any other pertinent information.
- (4) Do not release the person(s) to the custody of any official or agency, except upon personal approval of the Commanding General (CG), MCB.

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b. Public Affairs Officer. Review all inquiries and requests for information from the press, public, and news media. Do not release any information without prior approval from the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs.

c. Staff Judge Advocate. Upon notification of a request for political asylum or temporary refuge, establish and maintain liaison with the CMC (JA), and advise the CG MCB as may be required.

d. Directors and Commandins Officers. Ensure the widest possible dissemination of the procedures and policies contained herein.

6. Coordinating Instructions. Any person contacted by an individual seeking political asylum or temporary refuge will adhere to the following instructions:

a. Immediately notify the Provost Marshal by calling the Military Police Desk Sergeant at (703) 784-2251/2252.

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b. Receive the person(s) into your facilities and afford the individual(s) all reasonable care and protection permitted under the circumstances while awaiting arrival of the military police. The military police will transport the person to the office of the Provost Marshal.

c. Except for initially turning the person(s) over to the military police, once an individual requesting asylum is aboard this Base or any aircraft operating from this Base, that individual will not be returned, expelled, or surrendered to any other person or agency without the personal direction of the CG MCB.

d. Do not directly or indirectly invite people to seek political asylum.

e. Do not go off the Base to transport people seeking asylum.



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1. Purpose. To transmit a pen change to the basic Order.
2. Action. Page 2, paragraph 5a(3)(j), line 2, add "or Department of State" after "Naturalization Service."
3. Filing Instructions. File this Change transmittal immediately following the signature page of the basic Order.


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