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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: United States Army Garrison Mannheim Command Policy #32, Unauthorized Trash Disposal in the Mannheim Community

1. References.

a. Army Regulation 420-49, Utility Services, 19 Sep 05.

b. AE Supplement 1 to AR 420-49, Army in Europe Recycling Program, 12 Aug 03.

c. Memorandum, OADUSD, 12 Oct 04, subject: Revised Pollution Prevention and Compliance Metrics.

2. Purpose. The purpose of this policy is to prevent unauthorized trash disposal in the Mannheim military community. Each year, money is spent unnecessarily on trash disposal. These avoidable costs are primarily incurred by Mannheim residents and citizens failing to comply with community policy and German laws and regulations governing recycling.

3. Applicability. This policy applies to all individuals living in army family housing, unaccompanied personnel housing, personnel who work on-post but live off-post, and all personnel who traverse on military installations within the geographic boundaries of the United States Army Garrison (USAG) Mannheim.

4. General.

a. Recycling is law in Germany; U.S. personnel must abide by host nation laws.

b. Trash generation can be reduced by proper separation of trash. Trash, recyclables and bulk trash must be discarded through the collection service provided by the local community. It is illegal to dispose of trash from a private residence at an alternate location (except an authorized recycling center).

c. The recycling and trash containers provided adjacent to the housing area and barracks are for the use of on-post residents only. They are not for use by any other persons except to discard regular trash that is generated on post, i.e. mission and job related trash.

d. Residents living on-post are authorized to use the USAG-M recycling center (SORT Center) on Taylor Barracks.

e. Residents living off-post are authorized to use the SORT Center to remove items that would otherwise be disposed of as trash.

f. People dumping trash illegally, whether at a German site or U.S. facilities may be issued a citation and/or fined by German authorities. Lack of knowledge is not a valid excuse.

5. Responsibilities.

a. On-post residents and personnel working on USAG-M Installations will:

(1) Properly sort/separate household, office, and bulk trash and place in the appropriate trash containers provided.

(2) Report illegal dumping (i.e. placing trash in/next to containers or dumping trash anywhere on a USAG-M Installation) to the USAG-M Military Police, DSN 385-3359/2378/ CIV 0621-730-3359/2378. Provide a description of what was dumped and the color, make and license plate number of the car of the individual committing the infraction.

b. Off-post residents will:

(1) Refrain from bringing personal trash on-post for disposal except for items that are accepted by the SORT Center.

(2) Report illegal dumping as stated above.

6. Non-compliance. Military personnel violating this policy may be subject to action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). Civilian personal may be subject to action under Army in Europe Regulation 27-9, Misconduct by Civilians. The following actions articulate the potential repercussions for U.S. personnel who do not comply with this policy:

a. First offense: Warning memorandum issued by the USAG-M Commander.

b. Second offense: A 14-day suspension of installation driving privileges for individuals caught using a vehicle in connection with violation of this policy. All others will receive an appropriate adverse administrative action.

c. Third offense: Referral of violation to the individual's commander for possible UCMJ (military personnel) or civilian misconduct action (options include barring from military installations, early return of family members or curtailment of assignment).

7. The proponent of this policy is the USAG Mannheim DPW Environmental Management Division, DSN 381-8675/7699/CIV 0621-730-8675/7699.

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