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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Independence Day Safety Message

1. On 4 July 2011 we will celebrate the Independence of America. While we celebrate our nation's Declaration of Independence with patriotic events and fireworks, our Armed Forces continue to proudly defend our freedom throughout the world.
2. In preparation for the holiday weekend, leaders must address preventative measures for heat injury, sunburn, traffic, and water/outdoor recreational safety. Plan ahead for summer traffic conditions, avoid speeding and driving when fatigued, do not drink and drive, and always wear a seat belt. If traveling on a motorcycle, wear your personal protective equipment and travel at safe speeds. At the beach, swim only in authorized areas with a lifeguard present, and never mix alcohol with water related or outdoor recreational activities. Have fun, but also think about how your injury or loss would affect your family or unit.
3. Safety is everyone's business and it is our responsibility to ensure safety in everything we do. Continue to apply Composite Risk Management principles and anticipate the hazards of any planned activity both on and off-duty. If your holiday plans involve fireworks, remember that improper usage can cause severe injury or death. Never allow the use of fireworks without adult supervision, and always have a bucket of water or fire extinguisher nearby. For more summer safety information visit <http://www.usag.livorno.army.mil/Safety.html>.
4. Enjoy the Fourth of July without taking unnecessary and unacceptable risks. Celebrate Independence Day with pride, but do so responsibly. Keep safety at the forefront of your actions over the holiday weekend and throughout the summer season.

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KEVIN A. BIGELMAN
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