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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza Policy Memorandum # 23-14, (Safety) Arms, Ammunition and Explosives (AA&E) Amnesty Program

1. References:

- a. AR 190-11, Physical Security of Arms, Ammunition and Explosives, 5 September 2013
- b. DA Pam 385-64, Ammunition and Explosives Safety Standards, 24 May 2011
- c. AER 385-64, Explosives Safety, 17 November 2006
- e. DoD 6055.09-STD, DOD Ammunition and Explosives Safety Standards, 29 February 2008

2. Purpose: The AA&E Amnesty Program is intended to ensure maximum recovery of military AA&E items outside the supply system. It is not intended to circumvent normal turn-in procedures. This amnesty program must be conducted on a no-questions-asked basis to provide an opportunity for individuals to return items without fear of reprisal or prosecution.

3. Applicability: This Policy Memorandum applies to all units assigned, attached, or tenants within the U. S. Army Garrison (USAG) Vicenza Area of Responsibility.

4. General:

a. The USAG Vicenza will establish and maintain amnesty containers to support the Installation AA&E Amnesty Program in support of assigned and tenant units or activities. Three amnesty containers are located throughout Caserma Ederle/Del Molin to support the Installation Amnesty Program. Containers are placed at the following locations:

- Outside the gate of Building 440 Motor Pool, North Forty Annex
- Adjacent to the Multi-purpose Indoor Range (MIR) Complex, Building 369
- Caserme Del Molin, North Perimeter Loop, near Motor Pool #3

b. Amnesty containers located at the Motor Pool and MIR will only accept .50 caliber and smaller ball ammunition. The amnesty container located near on Del Molin will accept larger ammunition such as smoke grenades, 40mm TP rounds, etc.

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c. Amnesty containers will be clearly marked with the responsible party information. Ammunition Supply Point (ASP) amnesty collection containers will be checked and cleared daily and as necessary to prevent excessive accumulation of explosives to reduce the risk to personnel. When determined by Quality Assurance Specialist Ammunition Surveillance (QASAS) the USAG Vicenza Safety Officer will coordinate the removal of items. The first available unit conducting an ammunition draw or turn-in will assist with Amnesty turn-in. Under special conditions when determined by the QASAS or Emergency personnel that ammunition(s) within the container is incompatible, or creates an extreme hazard then transportation will be done by emergency vehicles under emergency provision provided within the ADR. QASAS and ASP personnel will assist in the removal of items as tasked by the USAG Vicenza Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security (DPTMS). All units that conduct ammunition operations at ASP # 7 are liable for supporting the Amnesty program.

d. Unidentifiable ammunition or explosives except for small arms type ammunition will be considered hazardous. When hazardous ammunitions or explosives are discovered personnel will contact the MP Desk at 118, or QASAS at DSN 634-6867. If items are suspected or determined to be unsafe after inspection by qualified personnel then USAG Vicenza DPTMS will coordinate their removal.

e. Personnel assigned the duty to inspect or turn-in AA&E must be trained on the proper identification and handling of munitions. Military Police desk personnel will be knowledgeable of the amnesty program and advise callers of what to do with AA&E found on or off post.

## 5. Responsibilities:

### a. Unit Commanders:

(1) Each unit that uses ammunition and explosives is required to implement a supplement program that supports the garrison amnesty program. Commanders will brief all personnel on the details of this amnesty policy prior to each training event or exercise that requires the use of ammunition or explosives to include the location of the nearest amnesty-collection container..

(2) Encourage personnel to notify ASP #7 or the MP Station by telephone when hazardous items have been deposited in amnesty containers. Note: This notification is not a requirement.

(3) Develop a SOP that establishes procedures for the amnesty collection and turn-in at local and major training areas, inspection and disposal of munitions and explosives, and training of personnel responsible for removing and transporting amnesty ammunitions and explosives.

(4) Provide temporary amnesty-collection containers in support of weapons qualification ranges and all training events involving ammunition and explosives. Conduct brass and ammunition checks prior to departing training facilities involving the use of ammunitions.

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(5) Ensure properly trained personnel are available to evaluate ammunition and explosives prior to movement for turn-in from training locations.

(6) Ensure that ammunition and explosive residue generated during training exercises is turned in properly and not deposited in installation amnesty containers or turned-in to ASP #7 under the amnesty program. Standard turn-in procedures and accountability must be followed for ammunition and explosive residue from range training events.

b. USAG Vicenza Safety Office:

(1) Promote the Amnesty Program quarterly through all available media sources. These sources include local AFN Radio/Television, Outlook newspaper, and e-mail distribution. Information will include amnesty program intent, procedures for reporting and disposing of AA&E found on or off post, and locations of amnesty containers.

(2) Approve locations and design of amnesty-collection containers in coordination with the PMO and QASAS.

c. ASP #7 QASAS:

(1) Inspect, and prepare for turn-in ammunition as indicated in paragraph 4-b.

(2) Accept ammunition turned-in under the provisions of the AA&E Amnesty Program. Individuals turning in AA&E as part of the amnesty program will not be required to have a turn-in document. Units tasked to turn-in Amnesty ammunition under normal conditions will be provided transportation documents by QASAS, or ASP personnel.

(3) Submit reports to the Safety Office indicating the quantity and description of AA&E turn-ins under the amnesty program when requested.

(4) The QASAS will determine the serviceability of the ammunition and take appropriate action for disposition (in accordance with regulatory requirements).

6. Amnesty-collection Containers:

a. Amnesty-collection containers are placed as indicated in paragraph-4a. Containers will be accessible 24 hours a day.

b. Amnesty Containers are positioned to ensure proper quantity-distances and fire safety. For safety reasons, amnesty containers in populated areas (next to inhabited buildings) are designed with an opening no larger than necessary to accept .50 caliber ammunition.

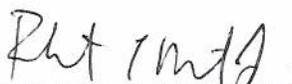
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c. Amnesty containers are designed to prevent extraction through the deposit opening.  
Amnesty containers will be secured to prevent unauthorized movement.

7. Explosive items found outside the installation must be reported to the military police.

8. POC for this memorandum is USAG Vicenza Safety at DSN 634-8109/7045.

  
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