

COMMANDING OFFICER'S STATEMENT ON PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES AND CONDUCT PREVENTION AND RESPONSE POLICY



We will maintain a culture of dignity, care, and respect so that Marines, Sailors, and Civilians are afforded equal treatment and the opportunity to reach their fullest potential. Behaviors of Prohibited Activities and Conduct (PAC) are counterproductive to our mission. All leaders must have a clear and common understanding of PAC and their corrosive effects on our institution to prevent and respond appropriately.

MCO 5354.1G defines the following conduct as Prohibited Activities and Conduct: harassment, sexual harassment, hazing, bullying, and prohibited discrimination based on the protected categories of race, color, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, and sex (including pregnancy). These behaviors are unacceptable and will not be tolerated. Personnel found to have violated, attempted to violate, or have solicited another to violate the PAC order will be held accountable.

Personnel should report alleged violations of PAC without fear of reprisal or retaliation. Should you witness any of these behaviors, you have a moral obligation to intervene and report it immediately to your chain of command. Your primary means for resolving alleged violations of PAC should be at the lowest appropriate level within your chain of command. Other avenues you may use to report allegations of PAC include, but are not limited to, Equal Opportunity Coordinator, Equal Opportunity Advisor, or the Inspector General hotline.

As your Commanding Officer, it is my responsibility to thoroughly and expeditiously review and address all reported violations of PAC. In turn, I charge each one of you with the responsibility to cultivate an environment free from these corrosive behaviors.

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