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How effective was our Washington's Birthday Holiday Safety Guidance?
For the weekend of 14 to 17 February 2014

Number of Motor Vehicle Accidents: 3

Number of DUI Arrests: 2

Number of Injuries: 5 – 1 Soldier and 4 Local Nationals

Alcohol Related incidents: 0

This past weekend the command had two Driving Under the Influence (DUI) arrests, no other alcohol related incidents and three POV accidents (one involving a DUI arrest).

Motor Vehicle Accidents:

POV Accident 1: As autobahn traffic was slowing, a driver switched to the left lane and immediately rear-ended a vehicle stopped in traffic. Remember to drive defensively, be situationally aware and anticipate hazards before you execute a move.

POV Accident 2: A Sunday afternoon drive resulted in 5 injuries when a Soldier crossed the median and hit another vehicle head-on. The four occupants of the vehicle along with the Soldier were transported by ambulance to the hospital. Excessive speed was reported in a 50 km/h zone.

POV Accident 3: No accident details were available other than the Soldier involved was arrested for DUI by the local Polizei. This is a continuation of DUI 2 listed below.

DUIs:

DUI 1: A young private returning on base was arrested for DUI after being given the keys to drive by an E-5 also in the vehicle. When the NCO gave the keys to the younger Soldier, it placed all the vehicle's occupants at unnecessary risk. Did the alcohol affect the leaders judgment? Was there a plan made before they left to identify a designated driver or another safe return option? Leadership does not stop when you are not in uniform.

DUI 2: At 0400, a Soldier self-reported to leadership he was involved in a motor vehicle accident. A responding Soldier, dispatched by unit leadership arrived as the local Polizei arrested the Soldier for DUI, having a Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) well above the legal limit.

Set a good example. We as leaders, parents, spouses, and friends can influence those around us.



FIRST IN SUPPORT-READY STRONG!

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