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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

ATSA-TPY

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Policy Letter #7 - Battle Buddy System

1. The Battle Buddy System in the Kodiak Battalion is the pairing of Officers within the Army's Direct Commission Course (AMEDD DCC) or Advanced Individual Training of the same sex for mutual assistance and support. This helps to reduce stress, teaches teamwork, develops a sense of responsibility for fellow Soldiers, and improves overall safety.

2. The Battle Buddy System protects Soldiers and Cadre from sexual assault & harassment, discrimination, and reduces the risk of suicide. Team members will help one another in all aspects of training. The Battle Buddy System applies to all Soldiers in training, on and off post, on and off duty unless individually traveling on holiday block leave (HBL), or departing the unit for PCS travel or departure/elimination from the Army Travel.

2. Cadre will stress the importance of the Battle Buddy teams as part of reception and integration into their assigned platoons. Cadre will inform Soldiers on the purpose and rules of the Battle Buddy System. Whenever possible, Battle Buddy teams will participate in training, details, and other activities together.

(a) Teams should be at all formal/scheduled events together, when inside the Battalion Area of Operation, and when working under direct supervision of Cadre. They should also pull fireguard and CQ together. Battle buddy teams are required during all formal/informal training events, additional details (i.e., fireguard/CQ), during Cadre counseling, when inside the Battalion area, or any other events on the installation.

(b) The only exceptions are for sick call, individual appointments, and chapel attendance. When traveling to an appointment where one soldier will be seeing a provider without their battle buddy, the Soldier not attending an appointment, will be joined by a third battle buddy to avoid being left on their own in the facility.

(c) Regardless of the situation, there will always be a minimum of two females or two males together, and at no time will a Soldier of the opposite sex be paired together. If two Soldiers of different genders must escort each other, a third soldier will also accompany them. No Soldiers in initial military training (DCC or AIT) will travel anywhere on the installation without a Battle Buddy.

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(d) This battle buddy policy does not apply to Warrant Officer Students or MOS Transition students that are attending AIT to change their MOS after already serving in an operational unit.

3. The point of contact for this memorandum is the undersigned at michael.m.goglia.mil@army.mil.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael M. Goglia", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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