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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Chief of Staff Policy Memorandum #1, Historic Quadrangle Vehicle Policy

1. Purpose. The use of the Fort Sill National Historic Landmark (FSNHL) quadrangle for ceremonies is an important facet of the culture of Fort Sill. In utilizing the field, we must ensure that we are safeguarding the FSNHL itself and the historical resources that it embodies. The quadrangle is not just a parade field, it is a protected historic and archeological site that requires our stewardship. Therefore, guidance must be implemented to facilitate its use while simultaneously protecting those national treasures of the FSNHL. This policy is to ensure we preserve the FSNHL for generations to come.

2. Overarching Policy Guidance.

a. The use of vehicles as static displays and the movement of vehicles on the quadrangle must be regulated. Static displays must be primarily restricted to the paved areas of Quanah or Geronimo Road and coordinated in advance with the Directorate of Emergency Services. Any request to place vehicles, especially any vehicle exceeding 1 ton must be submitted to the Fort Sill Chief of Staff who may direct an inclusion of an assessment by the Environmental Division of DPW and the Director of Museums as to the suitability of those vehicles being used on the quadrangle. If there has been rainfall that has caused the soil conditions to be unacceptable, no vehicles whatsoever will be allowed on the quadrangle. If the Chief of Staff approves the use of vehicles, those vehicles must be ground guided and will not be allowed to make turns, but rather will only make a straight-line ingress and egress across the quadrangle.

b. The use of salute guns on the quadrangle is an important aspect of Fort Sill ceremonies as well. However the effect of 105mm blank firing on the 150 year old structures potentially can cause structural damage. Therefore the salute guns will always be placed on the southeast corner of the Quadrangle with an azimuth of fire from 4800 to 5000 MILS, or due west. The echo area for the guns must be toward the center of the quadrangle. At no time will salute guns be pointed toward a historic structure.

3. The point of contact for this memorandum is the Fires Center of Excellence and Fort Sill Secretary to the General Staff, at (580) 558-0599.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. J. Kimball", is positioned above the printed name.

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