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MEMORANDUM FOR AFMC FDO Offices (See Electronic Distribution List)

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SUBJECT: AFI 16-201 Requirements For Visiting Foreign National Military Member To Wear Uniform Of The Day At US Government Hosted Meetings

1. In order to provide standardized guidance across the command, AFSAC/IAD is publishing the following guidance, as it relates to visiting foreign national military members requirement to wear the uniform of the day at all US government hosted meetings:

a. AFI 16-201 paragraph 5.5 stipulates the need to identify via the International Visit Program (IVP) uniform requirements for visiting foreign national military members.

b. All FDO will ascertain from the sponsoring USAF organization if the planned meeting is defined as "official". If so designated, the FDO will ensure the following text is input into the appropriate comments block for review by the visiting nation's embassy. The text is: ***All visiting foreign national military members will be required to wear appropriate military uniforms, applicable to meeting situations, while on all US government installations, while visiting contractor facilities under USAF sponsored meetings, or at any other USAF sponsored meeting site. Failure to comply with this requirement places the visiting foreign national military member at risk of exclusion from the planned meeting.***

c. In the case of Taiwan, the exact opposite will be posted in the text to be transmitted back to their embassy. This text is: ***During all US sponsored meetings, either on USAF installations, USAF sponsored meetings at contractor facilities, or at any other USAF sponsored meeting site, the wearing of military uniforms of the day is prohibited. Visiting foreign national military members will wear, suitable to the planned meeting requirements, civilian attire. Failure to comply with this requirement places the visiting foreign military member at risk of exclusion from the planned meeting.***

2. All FDO organizations will ensure the widest dissemination of the following guidance to sponsoring USAF agencies during the visit approval process:

a. Wearing of military uniforms by visiting foreign national military members is mandatory while on USAF installations, while visiting US sponsored meetings at

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contractor facilities, or at any other location which is sponsored by USAF organizations.

b. The only exceptions to this requirement are as follows:

1. If a high threat level exist and the wearing of military uniforms causes the visiting foreign national military member to be placed in non-direct or direct hostilities, civilian attire may be worn from residence to the USAF installation and vice versa, where the visiting military member will change back into the required uniform of the day or change into civilian attire before departing the installation.

2. If a casual day has been offered by the Commander and USAF military personnel are included in the wear of casual dress (civilian dress), uniforms may be excluded for visiting foreign national military personnel during official business hours if they are attending the event.

3. If the organization has been awarded a unit day and casual dress (civilian dress) is authorized, uniforms may excluded for visiting foreign national military personnel during official business hours if meeting coincides with award day.

4. If a sports day has been authorized and the visiting foreign national military members are participating in group events, uniforms may be excluded during official business hours.

5. The wearing of uniforms by visiting foreign national military members during non-duty hours while performing activities on DoD installations (e.g. Visiting BX, hospital, theater, bowling alley, sporting events etc) is not required.

6. If a warrior day (typically Friday of each week) has been authorized, visiting foreign national military members may wear equivalent uniform dress during DoD official business hours (e.g. BDU's, Flight Suits, etc as opposed to our Air Force Blue uniform equivalent).

3. These exemptions have been cleared through both SAF/IAPD and SAF/IAPA. If you have any questions concerning the guidance provided in this letter, our POC for the issue is Mr. Stephen Siefke, DSN 787-9731 or email at Stephen.Siefke@wpafb.af.mil.



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