



COMMANDING GENERAL'S SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION POLICY STATEMENT



This Command will have **NO TOLERANCE** for the crime of sexual assault. Sexual assault is defined as intentional sexual contact, characterized by use of force, threats, intimidation, or abuse of authority or when the victim does not or cannot consent; it is not restricted to any gender, race, or age. All members of 1st Marine Logistics Group (MLG) will become familiar with their obligations under MCO 1752.5C "Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR)."

All members of 1st MLG must be fully committed to maintaining the highest standards of personal conduct, morality, and respect for human dignity. As leaders, we have a vital responsibility to ensure the physical, emotional, and mental well-being of our Marines, Sailors, and Civilian Marines, especially from the predatory behavior of those who would commit sexual assault. Sexual assault completely erodes the dignity and self-esteem of its victims, and leaves devastating psychological and physical scars that affect individuals, families, and units for years, or even a lifetime. Sexual assault is contrary to everything that we as Marines believe in and fight for, and it brings shame and disgrace to our ranks and our proud heritage. I expect the members of this Command to take care of and protect their fellow 1st MLG members from sexual assault just as they would for their very own brothers and sisters. No one hurts OUR family!

If a member of this Command is the victim of sexual assault, the incident will be treated with the highest seriousness and the victim will be treated with the utmost sensitivity, decency, and respect. Victims will be offered appropriate medical, emotional, psychological, and spiritual support. There are two reporting options: Unrestricted or Restricted. An Unrestricted Report allows a victim of sexual assault to have command involvement and support, an official law enforcement investigation, and receive support services through the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC) and SAPR Victim Advocate (VA). The identity of the victim is released only to those who have an official need-to-know (e.g., Commanding Officer, SARC, and Naval Criminal Investigative Service). A Restricted Report allows a victim of sexual assault to receive confidential support services through the SARC and SAPR VA without an official law enforcement investigation or command involvement. A Restricted Report can be converted to an Unrestricted Report at any time; please contact the SARC or SAPR VA for more information.

Victim safety will be paramount at all times. Victims who make an Unrestricted Report can be confident that their personal safety will be protected and that they will not be re-victimized by the organization or reporting procedures. Members of this Command **WILL NOT** condone or ignore sexual assault!

To report a sexual assault or speak with a SARC or SAR VA, 24/7 support and response is available. The 1st MLG SARC, Ms. Christina M. Gonzales, can be contacted at 760.716.0669 (duty cell) or at christina.gonzales@usmc.mil. Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton's 24/7 Sexual Assault Support Line may be reached at 760.500.1707 or contact the DoD Safe Helpline 877.995.5247. Assistance is also available through your command Uniformed VAs, chain of command, and law enforcement.

Take care of each other; keep our honor clean; and remember...**ZERO TOLERANCE** for sexual assault! Semper Fidelis!


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