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FORCE POLICY LETTER 2-06

From: Commander, Marine Forces Reserve
To: Distribution List

Subj: 15 PASSENGER AND 12 PASSENGER VAN USAGE POLICY FOR ALL
MARINE FORCES RESERVE UNITS

Ref: (a) COMMARFORRES R191825Z JUN 01

1. Background. There were numerous accidents that occurred involving the 15 passenger vans due to a high center of gravity and narrow wheel base. It was later discovered that the 12 passenger van operates on the same chassis minus one seat position, creating an identical potential for accident and injury to Marines. Reference (a), provided guidance to all Marine Forces Reserve Units to eliminate all 15 passenger vans from their inventory.

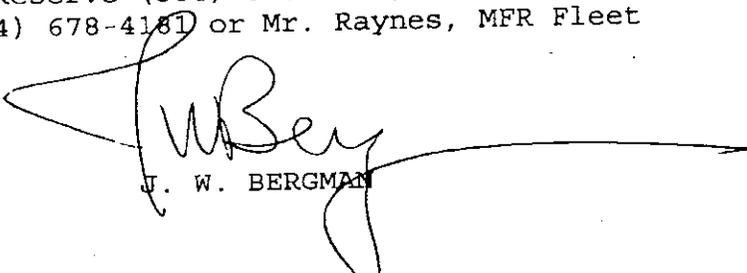
2. Policy

a. No 12 or 15 passenger vans will be leased, rented, borrowed, or utilized by Marine Forces Reserve Units or their personnel.

b. Units with any such vehicles shall:

- i. Reduce the occupant load to six passengers and the driver.
- ii. Reduce the cargo load commensurate with the reduction in occupant load.
- iii. Restrict the maximum operating speed to 60 mph.
- iv. Immediately contact the MFR Fleet Manager to arrange for a replacement of the vehicle.

3. Point of contact for this Policy Letter is Mr. Peters, Director of Safety, Marine Forces Reserve (504) 678-0686, Mr. Adams, Safety, Marine Forces Reserve (504) 678-4181 or Mr. Raynes, MFR Fleet Manager, (504) 678-4905.


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