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Commander's Note #5

FROM: JFHQ AKNG/OTAG

SUBJECT: Leave and Travel Restrictions due to COVID-19

- 1. The continuing spread of the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) necessitates immediate implementation of travel and leave restrictions. These restrictions are necessary to preserve force readiness, limit the continuing spread of the virus, and preserve the health and welfare of our members, their families, and the local communities in which we live.
- 2. Effective immediately, all non-mission essential intrastate and interstate travel is suspended until further notice. Mission essential travel is authorized and refers to work that must be performed to ensure the continued operations of mission-essential functions, as determined by each AKNG component. Approval authority for travel exceptions is at the Assistant Adjutant General (ATAG) level and will not be delegated further. This applies to members of all statuses (AGRs, T32 technicians and T5 Civilians).
- 3. Effective immediately, all leave for AGRs (This includes ADOS and OTOT) is restricted to the local area. The local area is defined as the state of Alaska. T32 technicians, T5 civilians, and traditional soldiers (M-day and DSG) are highly encouraged to follow the same leave guidance.
- 4. These travel and leave restrictions will remain in effect until rescinded.

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