

## MARINE UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE SQUADRON 2

### UNIT, PERSONAL AND FAMILY READINESS PROGRAM / CRISIS COMMUNICATION POLICY

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***Family Readiness is inherently linked to Combat Readiness!*** If our families are not prepared at home, we cannot dedicate our full authority towards mission accomplishment. All members of this command may deploy on short notice, postponing preparations at home is not an option.

As the nation's force in readiness, the Marine Corps is prepared to react rapidly across the range of military operations. As a RQ-21A squadron, we are often the primary means to facilitate our nation's response to a crisis. For this reason, ***our aircraft and personnel are in high demand***. We must be ***prepared to deploy anywhere in the world within 96 hours!***

To meet this demanding timeline, ***we will ensure our Marines and Sailors are pre-deployment training complete*** with legal, medical, and personal affairs, ***prior to departing the home station***. Leaders at all levels are charged with remaining engaged with the families of the Marines, Sailors, and civilians in their care and supervision.

My commitment to the families is to ***provide them with the means to prepare for a deployment as well as during their Marine's or Sailor's absence*** and take advantage of resources provided by the Unit, Personal and Family Readiness Program (UPFRP) as governed by MCO 1754.9B.

CRISIS COMMUNICATION: ***Our loved ones make many personal sacrifices***, often on a daily basis, to support all that we do. In order to keep the faith with those who routinely sacrifice on our behalf, ***we must minimize their burden whenever possible***. We can minimize the burden a loved one bears when they are uncertain of the status or whereabouts of their Marine or Sailor.

To this end, ***we will address families frequently during times of possible concern*** with the most current information available. We will use the following resources: Phone and/or TextTrees, Facebook, Squadron Website, Newsletters, Emails, and/or Word of Mouth.

The information disseminated will not interfere with, conflict, or precede the Marine Corps policy for casualty notification. However, ***we will ensure the squadron provides the available information and resources*** appropriate to the situation.

***My staff and I will always be prepared to answer questions from families.***



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