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MEMORANDUM FOR

Commanders, MEDCOM Major Subordinate Commands
Directors, OTSG/MEDCOM OneStaff

SUBJECT: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Safety Message

1. Our country will commemorate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on 16 January 2012. Dr. King's birthday is observed in honor of his contributions to the American Civil Rights Movement significantly improving our American way of life. Our Army is a leader in civil rights and equality for all.

2. As we begin what will be another fast-paced year, leaders throughout the command must continue interest in the safety of our Soldiers, civilian employees, contractors and MEDCOM family members. Winter travel is especially dangerous with the severe weather conditions this year. Do not become a statistic; plan ahead, drive defensively, avoid driving when tired, do not drink and drive, and use extra caution at all times. Enjoy your holiday celebrations, but be smart and exercise good judgment. The Travel Risk Planning System (TRIPS) is an excellent vehicle accident prevention tool for assessing an individual's risk and allows supervisors an opportunity to engage with Soldiers to mitigate risk factors. Access TRIPS online at <https://crc.army.mil> to initiate a travel assessment prior to travel.

3. I hope everyone enjoys some well-deserved rest and relaxation with family and friends over the holiday weekend, but do not relax your vigilance and your efforts to ensure safety. Your personal involvement and genuine concern can make a huge difference in saving a life. Your actions can save our most precious resource, our people. Army Safe is Army Strong.

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