

## General Order No. 1 bans intoxicating substances

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3/5/2010 - **ELMENDORF AIR FORCE BASE**, **Alaska** -- The use of any intoxicating substances other than alcohol, caffeine, tobacco or lawfully-used prescription medications has been banned here and throughout bases in the Pacific

This ban is the result of reports of PACAF Airmen being involved with the use of Salvia and the intoxicant "spice," there have also been reports of inhaling household chemicals and other chemical inhalants along with abusing over-the-counter medications.

"The abuse of these products by military members contradicts the nature of our profession of arms, threatens our military readiness and diminishes our ability to conduct the mission entrusted to us," said Gen. Gary North, PACAF commander.

The General Order No. 1 prohibits the following actions:

- · Possessing, distributing, inhaling, smoking, chewing, consuming or introducing into the body in any manner Salvia Divinorum, Salvinorin A or the intoxicant "spice" in any form.
- Inhaling household chemicals and other chemical inhalants for the purpose of becoming intoxicated, high, altering mood or function, or achieving a psychoactive effect.
- · Abusing over-the-counter non-prescription medications for the purpose of becoming intoxicated, high, altering mood or function, or achieving a psychoactive effect.

  This order applies to all members either assigned or attached to PACAF and also includes tenant units located on PACAF bases.

"Our Wing's four priorities are to generate, deploy and employ combat mission ready air power; maintain Elmendorf as a combat ready warfighting platform, provide world-class support to our fellow Arctic Warriors and their families; and develop professional Airmen," said Col. Thomas Bergeson, 3rd Wing commander. "Not only is it illegal to get "high" on drugs, chemicals or inhalants, that kind of behavior threatens all four of these vital missions and is incompatible with our ability to Fly, Fight and Win!"

Failure to obey these orders is a violation of Article 92 under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, and may result in criminal, administrative or other disciplinary action.