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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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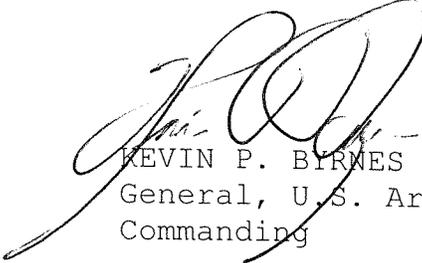
9 June 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR

Commander, Army Accessions Command
Commander, U.S. Army Combined Arms Center
Commander, U.S. Army Combined Arms Support Command
Commandants, TRADOC Schools

SUBJECT: Lifeguards at TRADOC Swimming Pools and Natural Beaches

1. I want to call your attention to the requirement in Army Regulation 385-10, The Army Safety Program, and TRADOC Regulation 385-2, The TRADOC Safety Program, that requires the presence of lifeguards at all Army-sponsored swimming pools and natural beaches whenever recreational swimming is authorized. Drowning continues as the second leading cause of accidental death of soldiers Armywide. Past experience indicates the risk of drowning increases when lifeguards are not present. I do not view the elimination of lifeguards as an acceptable risk.
2. With the summer season rapidly approaching, need to ensure we are taking the necessary action now to identify, hire, and train lifeguards for our recreational pools and swimming areas.
3. Your personal involvement will reinforce our commitment to the safety and well being of our soldiers, workers, and their family members. I expect your total support.
4. TRADOC--Where Tomorrow's Victories Begin!


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