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FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021

Ref: (a) MCO 1050.3J (Regulations for Leave, Liberty and Admin Absence)

(b) II MEFO 1050.1D (Leave and Liberty)

- 1. <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of this Bulletin is to announce the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020/2021 liberty periods granted by the Commanding General (CG) II Marine Expeditionary Force (II MEF). The periods listed below are contingent upon tasking's to meet on-going duty and operational requirements. Special liberty is granted, and will be executed in conjunction with the references.
- 2. Cancellation. II MEFBul 1050 Ch3 dtd 8 Jan 2020.
- 3. <u>Background</u>. The Commander is charged with establishing the "Holiday Routine." To every extent possible, the days of liberty are aligned to support higher headquarters priorities and objectives and coincide with resources provided by the CG, Marine Corps Installations-East/Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune.
- 4. $\underline{\text{Action}}$. II MEF will observe the following special liberty hours for the prescribed holiday(s):
- a. Major Subordinate Commanders and Elements (MSC/E) (including II MEF Information Group, Marine Expeditionary Units and Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Forces), are authorized to adjust their special liberty periods as necessary to support operational commitments.
- b. Commanders, may authorize civilian employees to voluntarily take liberal leave during periods when special liberty is authorized for military personnel in conjunction with a federal holiday during a special leave period. Employees who elect to take liberal leave are charged annual leave from their leave accounts. Liberal leave is voluntary. Civilian employees who do not elect to take annual leave during an authorized period of liberal leave must report to work for duty. Further, in absence of statute and as derived from several different documents (i.e., 64 Com Gen. 835, 64 Comp Gen. 171 (1984), 63 Com Gen. 542, 544 (1984) and 54 Comp Gen. 706, 708 (1975)) over the years, it has been common practice for Command's to authorize a 59 minute early departure.

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c. Observation Period(s)

HOLIDAY	LIBERTY DATES/TIMES	ACTUAL (TYPE DATE DAY)		
	2020			
Labor Day	1630, 4 Sep - 0730, 9 Sep	96	7 Sep	Mon
Columbus Day	1630, 9 Oct - 0730, 14 Oct	96	12 Oct	Mon
^Veterans' Day	1630, 10 Nov - 0730, 12 Nov	24	11 Nov	Wed
Thanksgiving Day	1630, 25 Nov - 0730, 30 Nov	96	26 Nov	Thu
Christmas Day	1630, 23 Dec - 0730, 28 Dec	96	25 Dec	Fri
	2021			
New Year's Day	1630, 30 Dec - 0730, 4 Jan	96	1 Jan	Fri
Martin Luther King Day	1630, 15 Jan - 0730, 20 Jan	96	18 Jan	Mon
President's Day	1630, 12 Feb - 0730, 17 Feb	96	15 Feb	Mon
Memorial Day	1630, 28 May - 0730, 2 June	96	31 May	Mon
Independence Day	1630, 2 Jul - 0730, 7 Jul	96	4 Jul	Sun
Labor Day	1630, 3 Sep - 0730, 8 Sep	96	6 Sep	Mon

- (^) MSC/E Commanders may, at their discretion, grant a 72 hour liberty over the weekend immediately preceding or following the Veterans' Day period.
- d. When reviewing and determining special liberty plans, the safety and well being of our PEOPLE is paramount. Emphasize the importance of using common sense and the responsible use of alcohol during the holiday period. Situational awareness must be highlighted during safety lectures as well as plans properly vetted and approved. If a Marine/Sailor is going out of bounds the appropriate request should be submitted via Marine Online (MOL) and approved prior to execution.
- e. All personnel should be aware that operational requirements may surface that will supersede the authorized liberty.
- f. Upon completion of each 72 and 96 hour liberty period no later than 0900, all MSC/Es will submit an accountability report via their of chain-of-command to the CG II MEF via the G-1 Adjutant's Organizational Mail Box at iimef_adjutant@usmc.mil.
- g. All non-policy inquiries regarding this Bulletin should be directed to the MEF G-1 Adjutant at (910) 451-8266.
- 5. Reserve Applicability. This Bulletin is applicable to the II MEF Total Force.
- 6. <u>Cancellation Contingency</u>. This Bulletin is cancelled upon receipt of next Bulletin same series.

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