



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 30TH MEDICAL BRIGADE
CMR 442
APO AE 09042-1030**

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

AETV-MB-GC-SO

20 November 2002

MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Brigade Designated Driver Policy Letter

1. References: Memorandum AETV-CG, "Ride-Home Program", 8 October 2002
AR 600-85, Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP), 1 October 2001
2. In accordance with the V Corps Commanders, "Ride-Home Program" memorandum, all battalions, companies and detachment units of 30th Medical Brigade will establish a formal "Designated Driver Program" for their specific duty locations.
3. The local unit "Designated Driver Program" will ensure soldiers, who have been drinking in the immediate vicinity of their duty site installation, can contact the Staff Duty Officer/NCO for assistance in obtaining a taxi-ride or other transportation home.
4. The Staff Duty Officer will keep Taxi Fund cash of 50 Euros, to pay for the Taxi Fare in the event of a call from an inebriated soldier. The soldier must then repay the Staff Duty Officer upon return to his/her domicile. Soldiers will be encouraged to call, not punished.
5. All official and unofficial parties, meetings or conferences will include arrangements for sober Designated Drivers at these events to transport those soldiers who choose to consume alcoholic beverages. No planned events will provide more alcoholic beverages than of non-alcoholic beverages.
6. Each individual soldier is responsible for not driving after consuming alcoholic beverages. Soldiers who abuse alcohol will be referred to ASAP Counseling. Individuals with drinking problems will be identified to prevent motor vehicle accidents.
7. POC for this action is the Safety and Occupational Health Manager, extension 371-2742.

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