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MEMORANDUM FOR

Commanders, All Units Reporting Directly to This Headquarters
Commanders, Fort Knox Partners in Excellence
Directors and Chiefs, Staff Offices/Departments, This Headquarters

SUBJECT: Thunderbolt Six Policy Memo No. 40-23 - Fatality Review Board

1. Reference: Memo, TRADOC, ATCS-S, 23 Dec 03, Subject: Fatal Accident Notification Fatality Review Board.
2. This memorandum establishes a Fatality Review Board (FRB) that will meet to review accidental deaths of all Fort Knox Soldiers, both on- and off-duty, and on-duty DA civilians. The FRB will convene within 14 days of the accident to ensure investigations are conducted in a timely manner, identify causes or contributing factors, and determine corrective actions. As a minimum the FRB will address personal data on the victim and individuals involved; pre-accident phase (chronological sequence of events occurring within 48 hours before to the accident); synopsis of the accident; causative and contributing factors; maps, diagrams, and other documentation; risk assessment and risk management plans; an assessment of the unit's safety and accident prevention programs and initiatives; and corrective actions and recommendations. Results of the FRB will be provided to the TRADOC Commander upon completion of their assessment. Simply put, the purpose of the FRB is to determine what happened, why, how it could have been prevented, how to prevent like/similar incidents in the future, inform the entire Fort Knox community, and establish/implement necessary policies and procedures across Fort Knox.
3. The FRB will be chaired by the Fort Knox Commanding General or, in his absence, the Deputy Commanding General, Chief of Staff, or Garrison Commander. Membership is comprised of the following and will be supplemented as required:
 - a. The chain-of-command from first-line supervisor to brigade commander or equivalent of the unit experiencing the fatality.
 - b. The Installation Safety Director.
 - c. MEDDAC Commander.

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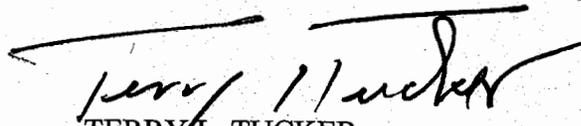
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d. Provost Marshal.

e. In addition to the above members, all O6 level commanders and directors from across the installation will attend the FRB.

4. Lessons learned will be compiled by the Installation Safety Director and provided to Fort Knox units and organizations.

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