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From: Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Station, Rota, Spain
To: All Naval Station Rota Personnel

Subj: COMMUTING AREA AND WALKING DISTANCES FOR SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION

Ref: (a) DODINST 4500.36R

Encl: (1) Commuting Area Acknowledgement

1. Per reference (a), the Department of Defense requires the Naval Station to inform you of David Glasgow Farragut (DGF) School commuting area and of the consequences of accepting housing outside the transportation zones. The commuting area defines transportation routes provided at U.S. government expense for eligible students attending Department of Defense Dependents Schools (DoDDS). Those students will be provided round-trip transportation, once daily, between a designated bus stop and the school. The bus stop will be within the commuting area, outside the walking area and within walking distance of your home or childcare provider.

2. If you have school-age children and desire DoDDS-Europe provided transportation for them, it is important to find housing within the commuting area. If you select housing outside of the designated commuting area, you will have to transport your student either directly to school or to an existing school bus stop within the commuting area. This will be done at your own expense.

3. DGF developed transportation zones in a cooperative effort with the military community here in Rota and are available for review at the Housing Referral Office and DGF School Bus Office. The walking area to a school is approximately one mile for elementary school students and one and a half miles for the secondary students. These distances are not absolute and may be adjusted to match the boundaries of a housing area or to avoid unsafe areas.

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4. You are required to acknowledge, by signing enclosure (1), that you have been advised of the commuting area and that you understand the information provided. A copy of this memorandum will be kept on file.

5. If you have any questions about school transportation, please contact the DGF School Bus Office at the DGF High School, room 602 or call extension 4219/4143 or mobile phone 639-14-66-07.

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COMMUTING AREA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1. The designated commuting areas for the DGF Elementary and High School are El Puerto de Santa Maria, Rota, and Los Flores Housing. While the bus office attempts to accommodate each and every student/parent need, unfortunately this cannot always be accomplished. There are areas within the designated commuting areas where buses physically cannot enter. Before making a decision on any off-base home, it is highly recommended that you contact the Bus Office to see where your child's bus stop will be.

2. I have read and understand the instruction on commuting areas and walking distances for school bus transportation. I understand that if I select housing outside the designated commuting area, I will have to transport my child either directly to school or to an existing school bus stop within the commuting area at my own expense.

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Signature of Parent/ Guardian Date