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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL MEMBERS OF IDAHO WING

FROM: IDWG/CC

SUBJECT: Suspension of Activities as a Result of COVID-19 Coronavirus

1. Concerning the COVID-19 coronavirus the President of the United States has declared a national emergency and the Governor of Idaho has declared a state emergency. The Civil Air Patrol's National Commander has said "The guidance issued by the CDC and by state governments provide no-nonsense precautions. I urge you to use these reputable sources of guidance in conjunction with the new CAP Gatherings Risk Assessment tool and CAP's overall safety risk management processes. Please use all of this information to make wise, informed decisions about meetings and events."

2. Two steps to protect yourself and your family that both federal and state health agencies recommend are to avoid close contact with people who are sick and to put distance between yourself and other people if COVID-19 is spreading in your community.

3. Yesterday Idaho reported its first confirmed case of COVID-19 within the state, and today its second. These cases involved persons in the Boise area and Blaine County.

4. Experience across most of the northern hemisphere implies that COVID-19's spread in Idaho is only just beginning.

5. Therefore, in order to help protect all members of Idaho Wing from COVID-19 coronavirus, I am issuing the following orders to suspend or limit the scope of Idaho Wing's activities and events for the indefinite future until rescinded by the wing commander.

a. All in person squadron meetings and activities are suspended.

b. All in person meetings and wing activities are suspended, except those specifically exempted by the wing commander.

(1) *The RMR/DO&IC meeting scheduled for next weekend may be attended at the individual discretion of the Idaho Wing senior members now planning to attend.*

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(2) *All real-world missions assigned or requested by AFRCC, CAP NOC, and/or Idaho DES and accepted by an Idaho Wing Incident Commander shall be executed in the normal manner using standard procedures. Both senior members and cadets may participate. There will be no consequences or repercussions for anyone electing not to participate.*

(3) *The Wing Administrator shall continue to perform her normal duties unless otherwise directed by the Wing Financial Analyst.*

c. Units are encouraged to conduct as much of their regular business as possible by conference calls or electronic meetings or other means not requiring in person contact.

d. **All cadet flying activities, including cadet orientation flights, cadet flight training, proficiency and transport, are suspended.**

e. **All normal senior member flying activities, including training, checkrides, proficiency and transportation, are authorized.**

6. Requirements in CAPR 60-1, paragraph 4.3, for cadet meetings and activities have already been suspended by national headquarters. Please see the attached interim change letter for further information.

7. These suspensions and limitations on various activities are for your protection. If you escape this virus, I am happy for you and your family. If you fall victim to this virus, I wish you a speedy and complete recovery and urge you to stay away from your fellow members of Idaho Wing until you are completely recovered. Please take care of yourself and your family.



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Commander

Attachment: Coronavirus ICL 20-02 to CAPR 60-1

cc: RMR/CC, IDWG/WFA, IDWG/WA