



HMLA-269 Unit, Personal, & Family Readiness Vision Policy Statement

Reference: MCO 1754.9B

Gunrunner Families are an essential part of the Gunrunner Posse, and we must ensure they are always cared for. Our ability to support and provide for our families will enable their resilience and ability to support us when our nation calls.

As Gunrunners, we will train to thrive in any clime and place. When our nation calls, the Gunrunners will be **LETHAL, READY, and PROFESSIONAL**. Unit, personal, and family readiness underpins combat readiness – a maxim known to all professional warfighters.

FOUR TENETS OF UNIT, PERSONAL, AND FAMILY READINESS:

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION:

- ☉ Gunrunners and their families will receive timely and accurate official and authorized communications via a variety of mediums. My intent is to be informative, transparent, and to create shared understanding.

DEPLOYMENT SUPPORT:

- ☉ A combination of information, briefings, and support activities will prepare Gunrunners and their families for the challenges of deployment, separation, and redeployment/reintegration.

READINESS AND READINESS SUPPORT:

- ☉ The unique nature of our profession and the military lifestyle in general presents a multitude of challenges. Gunrunners and their families have numerous resources at their disposal, both while deployed and in garrison, to ensure their needs are fulfilled. The Command will ensure all Gunrunners and their families are informed and have access to these resources.

VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT:

- ☉ There are ample opportunities to volunteer in support of the Gunrunners and their families and contribute to our shared successes. We welcome involvement.

The Gunrunner Command Team consists of the command deck (CO, XO, SgtMaj), Deployment Readiness Coordinator (DRC), Unit Readiness Coordinator (URC), Single Marine Program representatives (SMP), Chaplain, and Family Readiness Advisors. The Family Readiness Command Team aims to ensure Gunrunners and their families receive all the support and resources they deserve.

Bottom line, families make us stronger, and we fight for their safety and freedom. Gunrunners will ensure they are cared for.

I'm humbled and honored to be a part of this team. Together we comprise the First and the Finest.

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