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ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT

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COMMITMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENT

As Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Station, Rota, Spain, I am committed to sound management of all environmental programs throughout my command and recognize that responsible environmental management is one of our highest priorities. We are committed to protecting the health and safety of our employees and the environment. Environmental standards will be an integral part of our planning and decision-making processes.

COMPLIANCE

Our challenge is accomplishing our mission with limited resources. It is critical to our current and future success that we perform our duties in an environmentally responsible manner. To meet this goal, NAVSTA Rota will implement an Environmental Management System that:

- Sets policies and goals to comply with the requirements of the US DOD Environmental Final Governing Standards for Spain
- Maintains a safe and sustainable drinking water supply
- Minimizes waste generation and incorporates recycling
- Protects cultural and natural resources
- Responds promptly and thoroughly to incidents
- Provides environmental training and information

Departments and tenant commands are required to ensure compliance with all environmental regulations and to promote environmentally safe and healthy working conditions for all employees.

POLLUTION PREVENTION

NAVSTA Rota commits to preventing adverse environmental impacts from our operations by minimizing and controlling processes and pollutant releases that may be harmful to the environment or personnel. Where possible, we will minimize or eliminate waste through source reduction, recycling, and substitution of less hazardous materials and processes.

CONTINUAL IMPROVEMENT

We will seek opportunities for continual improvement of our environmental performance. We will set goals and establish metrics to measure progress, and forward results to senior leadership. We will incorporate environmental management into our everyday lives and work ethic. Achieving the highest quality environmental program is only possible through the commitment and participation of each and every member of the NAVSTA Rota community.

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