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To: All Personnel  
From: Commanding Officer  
Subject: MC-CS (Marine Corps Christmas Sock)

The following directive is issued to clarify MC order #HO.HO.HO -1-1. Ref. Subject The proper display, care and handling of the official **Marine Corps Holiday Sock.**

1. The sock is authorized to be displayed commencing at 0600 on 151206 and terminate at 2400 on 311206.
2. The sock may be displayed on any interior vertical bulkhead with the toe facing starboard and no lower than 36" from the deck. The sock must be secured with appropriate hardware as to prevent falling.
3. If more than one holiday sock is displayed on the same bulkhead they will be arranged alphabetically, 3" apart and level.
4. The sock will not be used for any other purpose such as laundry bag, do-rag, ditty bag etc.
5. No additional ornamentation is authorized on the sock except a good conduct ribbon to alert all of your past good behavior.
6. Careful attention to your sock while displayed is mandatory. **Over stuffing will not be tolerated.**

Marines found to be in violation of this directive will be subject to be discipline under the UCMJ. Maximum penalty awarded not to exceed 1 day confinement in the North Pole Brig.

Revised Holiday Greeting:

During the holiday, the traditional officer greeting will be modified as follows;

“Good (morning, afternoon, evening), **Merry Christmas, Gung-Ho, Ho-Ho-Ho, Sir!**”  
Accompanied by a crisp salute.