

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE 35TH FIGHTER WING (PACAF) MISAWA AIR BASE, JAPAN

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL MISAWA AB PERSONNEL, SUBORDINATE COMMANDS, AND TENANT UNITS

FROM: 35 FW/CC

Subject: Extension of Public Health Emergency Declaration for Misawa Air Base, Japan

- 1. On 15 April 2020, in response to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, the Commander, United States Forces, Japan (COMUSFJ) declared a public health emergency (PHE) for Japan. That PHE declaration has been extended many times since, most recently on 27 April 2022. The Force Public Health Order 22-003, dated 27 April 2022, extends the PHE declaration for Japan until 25 July 2022. Consistent with COMUSFJ's 27 April 2022 PHE extension, and based on my Public Health Emergency Officer's (PHEO) recommendation, I am extending the PHE first declared for Misawa Air Base, Japan on 15 April 2020, and extended regularly since that time. Authority for this action is in DoD Instruction (DoDI) 6200.03, *Public Health Emergency Management (PHEM) Within the DoD*, and Air Force Instruction 10-2519, *Public Health Emergencies and Incidents of Public Health Concern*. This PHE declaration extension will terminate automatically on 25 July 2022, unless it is renewed and rereported, or terminated sooner by me or a senior commander.
- 2. The installation PHEO is hereby directed to continue to identify, confirm, and control this public health emergency utilizing all the necessary means outlined in DoDI 6200.03 and AFI 10-2519. To implement my direction, the PHEO may issue guidance that affects installation personnel and property, and other individuals working, residing, or visiting Misawa Air Base (e.g., steps to protect personnel health, closing base facilities, restricting movement, or implementing quarantine for select individuals). Each person on this installation will adhere to all direction previously given by myself (through locally issued directives), the COMUSFJ, or higher commanders in our chain of command related to COVID-19, and any future additional measures implemented to protect our force, and our community.
- 3. This PHE declaration extension, including the previously issued local directives related to COVID-19, and all orders issued by me, or my PHEO as a result of this PHE declaration, apply to all personnel present on, or assigned to Misawa Air Base, including but not limited to: US military personnel, US civilian employees, all dependents, DoD retirees, host-nation employees, contractors, and any other persons accessing Misawa Air Base. Any person who refuses to obey, or otherwise violates, an order during this declared PHE may be detained. Any military member who refuses to obey, or otherwise violates, an order during this declared PHE may be subject to punishment under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). Those not subject to the UCMJ who refuse to obey, or otherwise violate, an order during this declared PHE may be detained until civil authorities can respond, may be subject to administrative action including but not limited to early return of dependents, denial of base access, or debarment from the installation.