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UPDATE: Death of active duty U.S. Air Force service member

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan – One active duty U.S. Air Force service member from Misawa Air Base was found dead in an off-base residence Jan. 28. The Airman has been identified as Staff Sgt. Alexander Fischer, Cyber Transport Systems Supervisor, 35th Communications Squadron.

"My deepest condolences to the family, friends and coworkers of Staff Sgt. Fischer. It is truly heart breaking when we lose a teammate," said Col. Jesse Friedel, 35th Fighter Wing and Misawa AB Installation commander. "As we take this time to reflect on this unfortunate situation, I hope Team Misawa can come together as a community. Please continue to look out for one another."

Details surrounding the death are under investigation at this time.

Personnel seeking mental health assistance are urged to contact Misawa AB's mental health clinic at DSN 226-3230 or 0176-77-3230 or the base chapel at DSN 226-4630 or 0176-77-4630.