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PRESS RELEASE: 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, Feb. 21, 2024 at approximately 8:45 a.m. The member will be identified pending next of kin notifications.

"Our hearts are heavy with the passing of our team member," remarked Col. Michael Richard, the 35th Fighter Wing commander. "My deepest sympathies go out to their family, friends, and colleagues during this difficult time. We mourn together as a community."

The investigation into the death is ongoing, and for any questions, please contact the 35th Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office by phone at 0176-77-3075 or via email at 35fw.pa@us.af.mil.