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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Environmental Stewardship

This memorandum expires in 1 year.

1. Reference Executive Order 13148, Greening the Government Through Leadership in Environmental Management, 21 April 2000.
2. Environmental stewardship is an integral and important part of our military operations and activities in Europe. Decisions that we make today regarding the environment and natural resources can have an effect for generations. Bad decisions can strain host-nation relationships and affect our missions and training. For this reason, a proactive and comprehensive environmental management system (EMS) must be established for U.S. Army facilities in the European theater.
3. Executive Order 13148 and recently issued DA policy require that an International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001-style EMS be implemented at all Army facilities. The United States Army Installation Management Agency, Europe Region Office (IMA-Europe), will be implementing an EMS across the theater to comply with this policy.
4. Commanders must continue to train to standard and ensure unit readiness. In pursuit of this requirement, we can harmonize our training and readiness mandate with an effective and appropriate EMS. I expect commanders at all levels to give IMA-Europe their full cooperation and support. Commanders will also integrate environmental considerations and accountability into their operations, day-to-day decision-making, and long-term planning. Doing so will help protect the environment, sustain host-nation relationships, and keep us compliant with environmental laws.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. B. Bell".

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General, USA  
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