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MEMORANDUM FOR SENIOR PENTAGON LEADERSHIP
DEFENSE AGENCY AND DOD FIELD ACTIVITY DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: Exception to Policy Permitting Department of Defense and Coast Guard Civilian Employees to Purchase Alcohol and Tobacco Products at Military Exchanges

I approve an exception to Paragraph 2.c. in Attachment 2 of Directive-Type Memorandum (DTM) 21-003, "Access to Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Category C Online Activities, DoD Commissaries, and Military Service Exchanges," permitting appropriated fund and nonappropriated fund civilian employees of the Department of Defense (DoD) and the United States Coast Guard to purchase tobacco and alcoholic beverage products at Military Service exchange stores in the United States and the U.S. territories and possessions.

This exception to policy takes effect upon signature of this memorandum and shall remain in effect for 2 years unless either cancelled or incorporated sooner into the reissuance of DTM 21-003 or DoD Instruction 1330.21, "Armed Services Exchange Regulations."

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