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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANTS GENERAL
COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE DISTRICT OF
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Subject: Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month—April 2016

1. The Department of Defense will observe its 12th annual Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month (SAAPM). The theme is “Eliminate Sexual Assault: Know your part. Do your part.”
2. We are asking each Guard member to personally pledge to elevate awareness, raise their voice, and act, should inappropriate behavior occur. We must recognize our part in stopping sexual assault starting with our own awareness and knowing when and where to intervene. Let us demonstrate unity of effort in raising sexual assault awareness and its elimination. We strongly encourage our organizations to engage in innovative campaigns, including holding activities and events throughout military and civilian communities to demonstrate our resolve. SAAPM materials were designed to support installation and unit sexual assault prevention and education efforts and are available at <http://www.sapr.mil/index.php/saapm/2016-materials>.
3. Together, we can enhance our organizational climate and create an environment where sexism, sexual harassment, and sexual assault no longer exist. Reinforce this message through personal involvement in SAAPM events sponsored by your State. It is vital to our success to eliminate sexual assault.
4. Point of contact is Mr. Kevin J. Crowley, NGB-J1, 703-607-3652.

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