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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Outline of Religious Education Opportunities in Support of Yom Kippur

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to inform chaplains about religious education opportunities for Soldiers and their Families observing the Jewish Holiday Yom Kippur.
2. Yom Kippur, the "Day of Atonement" will begin on 8 October 2019, with Kel Nidre one hour before sunset and continue for 25 hours, ending on 9 October 2019 at sunset. It is a time of fasting from food, drink, and various pleasures from sunset to sunset, as well as, a time of self-reflection and prayer. No work is to be performed on this day by those in observance.
3. The RSO will provide space 8 October 2019 at Main Post Chapel from sunset until 2200, and 0800-1500, 1800-1900, 9 October, 2019 to accommodate religious needs. Bibles will be available for the reading of Leviticus 16 during Kel Nidre, and the book of Jonah on 9 October, as well as, age appropriate material for children.
4. The RSO will also make available to parents daily learning activities and resources, so they can reinforce their beliefs and practices with their children. An evening Children's lesson will take place on 9 October 2019 from 1800-1900, this will be a lesson and story review of the book of Jonah.
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