



## COMMANDING OFFICER'S COMMAND PHILOSOPHY



Our primary mission as Marines is to maintain ourselves and our company, so that when the nation is least prepared we are most ready to protect it. This is a team effort that requires all members of the command to be involved, and contribute to the mission. We should focus regularly on what is required to be mentally and physically fit, and ready to be deployed in a moment's notice. If a Marine is struggling, it is the responsibility of all in the company to lead that Marine to success. We are required to constantly assess our subordinate Marines in order to determine if they are fit for world-wide assignment. This also applies to Marines with dependents; families need to be prepared in the event that Marine is deployed. Similarly, if a Marine is dealing with family issues that prevent that Marine from supporting any portion of the unit or National Security Agency – Texas' (NSAT) mission, platoon and company leaders needs to be aware and correct the situation.

Our secondary mission is to ensure that our responsibilities to our higher headquarters Marine Cryptologic Support Battalion (MCSB) and to the NSAT are met. Marines of MCSB have always had a great reputation with the NSA and our job is to maintain that reputation. All Marines are compelled to maintain our relevance within NSAT's mission, and look for opportunities to improve it. Compromising yourself at work or in an off-duty manner ultimately compromises our Battalion, our company, and our reputation at the agency. Most importantly, it compromises your ability to achieve success in your commitment to the Corps and your country. Regardless of how many years you serve the Corps, these are years you will not get back. I remind you that you must continually seek self-improvement, as well improvement of the company. Leaders of the company at all levels are required to challenge their subordinates and develop them into leaders.

We are a family and a team. We must continually work towards improving our unit and our Marines. We are also compelled to maintain the faith with our Marines and our company family members.

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