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From: Deputy Commandant for Information

To: Security Officers/Command Security Managers

Fleet Marine Force and Supporting Establishment Commands

Subj: NATIONAL INSIDER THREAT AWARENESS MONTH SEPTEMBER 2023

- 1. During September 2023, the Marine Corps will partner with departments and agencies across the federal government to support the fifth annual National Insider Threat Awareness Month (NITAM). Our goal for NITAM 2023 is to increase awareness and reinforce a sense of responsibility and commitment among every member of our organization to do their part in preventing, detecting, deterring, and mitigating the risks posed by maligned insiders to Marine Corps personnel, facilities, and mission capabilities.
- 2. The importance of this effort cannot be overstated. Recent security incidents highlight the lifetime obligation of every Marine, Civilian Marine, and contractor to safeguard information critical to mission success. We must remain vigilant and committed to protecting ourselves from a myriad of internal and external risks, to include facilitating early intervention and positive outcomes by recognizing and reporting concerning behaviors through your chain of command or appropriate prevention program.
- 3. I have tasked the Marine Corps' Insider Threat Program to develop and promote several opportunities for Marines and Sailors, civilian employees, or contractors supporting our mission, to take part in NITAM sponsored events throughout the month of September. Guidance on how to take part in NITAM related events and obtaining insider threat resources can be found at https://www.information.marines.mil/Units/Insider-Threat/.
- 4. Leaders, NITAM is intended to bring attention to the complexity and seriousness of the insider threat problem set; however, these threats cannot be effectively addressed in a single month. As you lead your Marines, civilian employees, and contractors through NITAM 2023, I challenge you to identify innovative ways to take what you've learned throughout the month of September and make it a part of your daily battle rhythm.
- 5. The point of contact for this matter will be Mr.Niesent brannon.a.niesent@usmc.mil or 703-692-4231.