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**UNIT 29237**  
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MEMORANDUM FOR: See Distribution

SUBJECT: Unauthorized use of DSN phones to Mobile Radio Telephones (Cell Phones)

1. Purpose. This memorandum is released to inform all 26th ASG personnel that DSN phones in this ASG will be prevented at the switch from calling D-2 cell phones.
2. Background. In 1999, the USAREUR Internal Review and Audit Compliance Office investigated DSN to MRT calls in USAREUR. They found that the majority of calls to MRT's (72%) were made to D-2 MRT's. Upon further investigation, they also determined that DSN to D-2 calls were primarily made for unofficial use. DSN calls that incur a toll charge, such as to MRT's, cannot be used for personal (unofficial) communications as AR 25-1 and UR 25-22 prohibit such use.  
  
**Note:** Official Calls to D2 mobile radio cell phones via DSN are permissible.  
(Example: Barracks Personnel Inspectors (Food & Quarters) who are on the road and Engineers who are out on a mission where DSN capabilities are not readily available).
3. Status. After reviewing several of the detailed calling reports provided by Deutsche Telekom, it is apparent that the 26<sup>th</sup> ASG is incurring expensive nonessential or unofficial costs from DSN (99 access) to D-2 cell phones.
4. Action. Commanders will identify and investigate unauthorized use of DSN phone lines. Personnel in violation of this policy are subject to disciplinary action. Violations may also result in a downgrade of DSN capabilities and/or disconnection of DSN services.
5. POC is Mrs. Roberta Brown-Thurman, DSN 373-7883 or e-mail at [thurmanr@26asg.heidelberg.army.mil](mailto:thurmanr@26asg.heidelberg.army.mil).

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