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CNATRA INSTRUCTION 3710.38B

Subj: USE OF CAMERAS AND PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES IN CNATRA AIRCRAFT

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 3710.7U
(b) NAVAIRINST 13034.1C

1. Purpose. To publish guidance on the use of cameras and personal electronic devices in Chief of Naval Air Training (CNATRA) aircraft.

2. Cancellation: CNATRINST 3710.38A

3. Scope. This instruction applies to all personnel flying in CNATRA aircraft.

4. Discussion

a. Uncontrolled use of cameras and personal electronic devices in CNATRA aircraft poses unnecessary risk to the safe accomplishment of the CNATRA mission.

b. Per reference (a), airborne operation of cellular telephones in naval aircraft is prohibited. Many multi-function devices include cellular and other over-the-air communication technology. This instruction provides guidance on their use.

c. Electronic devices that are approved for in-flight use by Naval Air Systems Command or the Federal Aviation Administration are not covered by this instruction.

5. Definitions. For the purpose of this instruction the following definitions shall apply:

a. Camera - a portable device capable of recording still or video images on film or memory medium. A camera can be a stand-alone device or a part of a personal electronic device.

b. Personal electronic device - any one of a number of portable consumer electronic devices used for communication, entertainment or productivity. Examples include cellular telephones, smart phones, personal digital assistants, laptop computers, MP3 players, hand-held game systems and DVD players.

5. Action

a. All personal electronic devices shall be OFF for takeoff and landing.

b. To minimize potential interference with aircraft and ground systems, all over-the-air communication capability of personal electronic devices shall be disabled in-flight.

c. Passengers in aircraft equipped to carry passengers may operate personal electronic devices with the approval of the Aircraft Commander during phases of flight other than takeoff or landing.

d. Cameras shall not be operated in CNATRA aircraft without the prior authorization of the squadron Commanding Officer or higher authority.

e. Per reference (b), equipment shall not be mounted either internally or externally on CNATRA aircraft without Naval Air Systems Command flight clearance.

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