



## COMMAND PHILOSOPHY

**EMBRACE DISCIPLINE.** Our profession demands much of us and of our families. Sacrifice. Courage. Grit. Tests of physical stamina or strength of character, intervals of mental and emotional distress all offer the possibility for failure, but also an opportunity for incredible growth and resiliency. Discipline can be uncomfortable, inconvenient, and boring in its repetition. Our discipline makes us different- it is the trait that enables us to execute tasks most critical in the moments most crucial- when fear and chaos paralyze others. Chaos is not the absence of order. Courage is not the absence of fear. Discipline compels us to maintain focus and precision when executing the task at hand, to overcome chaos or fear where others cannot or will not. Embrace the profession of arms- the discipline it demands- as a conscious choice. Every Day.

**FIND "YES."** Show up. Work hard. Do right. Logistics, sustainment, and support are how operations succeed. It's not rocket science, it requires proficiency, responsiveness, flexibility, and patience. Our unit exists to provide support for the war-fighting MEF. It's not always sexy...but it is absolutely necessary. I MEF deploying units and the I MEF Command Element rely on our ability to solve problems, to "find yes" in order to support crisis and contingency operations, as well as planned or emergent missions worldwide. Understand our role as I MSB. Always strive to be a part of the solution.

**BE READY.** Look around. We cannot predict the future. If anything, the only constants are change and uncertainty. Our job is not to try and predict the future- it is to be ready to respond when called upon. Physical conditioning, family preparedness, personal readiness, individual and unit training are all elements of deployability that must remain current in order for us to respond effectively. We live in a complex environment- do not let that confuse you. My expectation is that our Marines, Sailors, and their families maintain a state of readiness at all times in order to rise to the challenge and respond unhesitatingly.

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve alongside every single Marine, Sailor, and family member of I MSB.

  
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