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NEWS FROM USO SHOWS

USO Shows Department

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INFORMATION OF SPECIAL IMPORTANCE TO USO SHOWS PERSONNEL TOURING OVERSEAS.....

Vulgar words are not acceptable in any USO SHOW. If you will select your material as if you were doing a network television appearance, you will have no problem.

Absolutely no homosexual material or "fag gags" or innuendoes.

All performing must be done without any pre-recorded music or tapes. The show must be live throughout and no "record acts" or material of this nature is acceptable.

It is expected that USO members will dress in a manner appropriate to the military atmosphere. We regret that USO cannot accommodate those who are very casually attired.

Prescribed male civilian dress will be long trousers, coat, and fore-in-hand necktie or bow tie.

Sweater or sweater coats, western ties, ascot ties, and string ties are not acceptable.

Female civilian dress must be in good taste and in no way detract from the general decorum and the surroundings (in which you are an honored guest).

It is important that you present a dignified appearance. USO SHOWS tours have singular significance in several important areas. And your responsibilities and obligations are far greater than they would be if you were touring on a regular commercial junket.

At no time will persons who present a disheveled and unkempt appearance be acceptable. Individuals with excessively long hair will not be permitted in most areas. Female personnel are not permitted to appear with their hair in rollers, curlers or similar devices.

Daily reports are maintained by your escort officers throughout the tour and these pertain to your attitude, appearance and conduct as well as the quality of your performance.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS CAN RESULT IN IMMEDIATE DISCIPLINARY ACTION, CANCELLATION OF THE TERMS OF YOUR TOUR AND RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES.

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BILLETING AND MESSING (Room & Board)

1. Only rarely if ever are private accommodations available. The name of the game overseas is: SHARE.
 2. Share the room.
 3. Share the bath and other facilities.
 4. The daily cost of this military billeting will vary from \$1.50 to \$7.00 per day.
 5. Eat in the facility mess (dining area).
 6. Meals cost from \$.75 to \$3.00 when you eat in the military facilities.
 7. Cost of meals and rooms outside the military is a great deal more; and if required must be set up six weeks prior to departure. Even then there are NO GUARANTEES!
- * Additional per diem can be applied for when billeting exceeds \$7.50/ day. You must retain back-up receipts.

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LUGGAGE AND EQUIPMENT

1. Every USO SHOWS Unit Overseas is traveling CONSTANTLY. Everyday there is:
 - a) A forenoon show in one location
 - b) An afternoon show in another location
 - c) This means loading equipment and traveling
 - d) Unloading equipment and setting up
 - e) Doing an hour show
 - f) Breaking down equipment and loading
 - g) Traveling to a new location

This routine at least twice a day. Your daily traveling will include any or all types of transportation; conventional aircraft of all types and sizes; helicopters; trucks; buses; jeeps; etc. **VERY ROUGH WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VERY ROUGH ROADS AND VERY OLD VEHICLES.**

For this reason the name of the game is "TRAVEL LIGHT". Take the minimum of equipment which still enables you to do a sock show. The emphasis is on showmanship rather than on an authentic recorded instrumental type sound.

Since our units never perform for the same audience twice, only one costume change is required.

2. Each individual is allowed 66lbs. (clothing and personal effects).
3. In addition to this individual allowance, each unit is allowed no more than 500 lbs. excess, the ideal is that each unit have NO excess weight. So plan accordingly.
4. The maximum size of any one piece of luggage or equipment is: 34x24x30
5. check Military Air Command (MAC) regulations require that all oversized pieces be shipped as cargo and are not allowed on passenger aircraft. These cargo shipments take from one week to three months for delivery. Therefore, it is imperative that no one piece of equipment exceed the 34x24x30 maximum acceptable by MAC. 72
6. All luggage and equipment should be securely encased in plywood or some other hard shellcover to insure that it is adequately protected and will not be crushed or broken in transit. 100
10.0 LBS
7. Since all tours are subject to very wet weather conditions at anytime, it is imperative that all equipment have waterproof covers or containers.
8. Instruments: No acoustic stand-up bass allowed. Only Fender or Ampeg bass.

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HEALTH

USO Overseas tours are EXTREMELY HARD! Seasoned troupers consider these "HARDSHIP TOURS"!

The health requirement for participants in USO Overseas Shows is the same as enlisting military personnel.

1. No handicapped
2. No diabetics, sleep walkers, alcoholics, addicts, etc.
3. All participants must have:
 - a. UNIMPAIRED VISION
 - b. UNIMPAIRED BREATHING
 - c. GOOD DIGESTIVE SYSTEM
 - d. GOOD STAMINA
4. Conduct and attire must be tops at all times.
 - a. ON-STAGE AND OFF-STAGE
 - b. WORKING DAYS AND DAYS OFF

TAKE PLENTY OF VITAMINS & GET PLENTY OF REST.

EAT, DRINK AND PLAY MODERATELY.

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RETURN PROCEDURES

1. CALL 212/644-1566 AND REPORT:

- A) DAY _____, DATE _____, TIME OF DAY _____
UNIT RETURNED TO POINT OF ORIGIN
- B) NO. OF DAYS DELAY EN ROUTE _____
WHERE _____
DATES OF DELAY _____

2. ENCLOSE THE FOLLOWING IN AN ENVELOPE AND MAIL:

- A) USED AND UNUSED AIRLINE TICKET COUPONS
(COMMERCIAL AND MILITARY)
- B) USED AND UNUSED EXCESS BAGGAGE (GEBAT)
COUPONS
- C) ALL COPIES OF TRAVEL VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENTS OVER
SEAS
- D) ANY REIMBURSABLE TRAVEL RECEIPTS
- E) ALL NO-FEE PASSPORTS (PLEASE LIST)

LEGAL NAME

PASSPORT NUMBER

MGR.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

3. TOUR REPORT (COLLEGES-20 COPIES) DUE WITHIN
TWO WEEKS AFTER RETURN. MAIL UNDER SEPARATE
COVER.