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GENTEXT/REMARKS/1. Purpose. The Commanding General, Training and
Education Command, has published Marine Corps Doctrinal Publication
(MCDP) 7, Learning, dated 20 February 2020. MCDP 7, Learning, is
available for download via the United States Marine Corps doctrine
website at <https://homeport.usmc.mil/sites/mcdoctrine/PubType/SitePages/MCDP.aspx>

2. Background

2.a. The Commandant's Planning Guidance, released 17 July 2019,
established learning - a combination of education and training - as a
priority focus area to develop an "intellectual" edge to capitalize on
the unique ethos of the Corps and its maneuver warfare mindset.

2.b. On 20 February 2020, the Commandant of the Marine Corps, General
David H. Berger, approved MCDP 7, Learning, the first entirely new
doctrinal publication released by the Marine Corps since 2001.

2.c. MCDP 7, Learning, formalizes the philosophy, principles,
concepts and expectations of learning. MCDP 7, Learning, states that
"The Marine Corps' learning philosophy seeks to create a culture of
continuous learning and professional competence that yields adaptive
leaders capable of successfully conducting maneuver warfare in

complex, uncertain, and chaotic environments."

2.d. MCDP 7, Learning, has been developed to codify the Marine Corps' learning philosophy and explain why learning is essential to the profession of arms. Going forward, MCDP 7, Learning, will serve as a guide for a culture of continuous learning and professional competence that yields adaptive leaders who can quickly recognize changing conditions in the battlespace, adapt, and make timely decisions against a thinking enemy.

2.e. This publication's audience is all Marines.

3. Coordinating instructions. An initial distribution of 11,330 publication hard copies is underway. Units requiring additional print allocations must follow procedures identified in reference (a), paragraph 4a(2). For Marine Corps Publication Distribution System identification purposes, the publication control number is 142 000016 00. This publication is also available electronically at the public facing website for the Marine Corps Publications Electronic Library (MCPEL) at <https://www.marines.mil/News/Publications/MCPEL/Electronic-Library-Display/Article/2129863/mcdp-7/>

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4. This MARADMIN is applicable to Marine Corps Total Force.

5. Release authorized by Major General William F. Mullen III, Commanding General, Training and Education Command.//