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From: Staff Judge Advocate, Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego/Western Recruiting Region
To: Ms. Tobanna Barker, Military Religious Freedom Foundation, 13170-B Central Avenue SE, Suite 255, Albuquerque, NM 87123
Subj: MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT SAN DIEGO CHAPEL HOLIDAY DISPLAYS

Dear Ms. Barker,

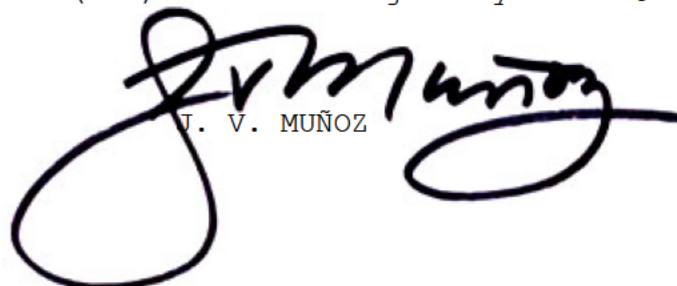
Thank you for your email correspondence to me on 4 February 2017 wherein you acknowledged receipt of my 30 January 2017 response to your initial letter of concern. We appreciate your continued concern.

Your demand to erect a Jewish holiday display is premature as there is not currently a religious holiday display erected aboard Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego (MCRDSD) and the holiday season is months away. Religious holiday displays are permitted aboard MCRDSD only on MCRDSD Chapel grounds and only during the appropriate holiday seasons.

It is important that I reiterate that Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego/Western Recruiting Region (WRR) has been, and remains, in compliance with the U.S. Constitution, federal, state and local law in every aspect of our operations. Compliance with the law is a matter that we take seriously and adhere to scrupulously. In that respect, MCRDSD/WRR does not endorse or promote any religion expressly or by implication. All Service members and civilian employees aboard this installation are free to practice their religion as provided for in law and regulation.

We will not disclose predecisional deliberative internal agency documents or communications as they are protected by, *inter alia*, the attorney work-product privilege, the attorney-client privilege, and several FOIA exemptions.

Thank you for your continued support and interest in the mission of MCRDSD/WRR. Should you have additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (619) 524-4104 or jeffrey.munozl@usmc.mil.


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