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52<sup>nd</sup> FIGHTER WING (USAF)

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MEMORANDUM FOR 52 FW ALL PERSONNEL

FROM: 52 FW/SE  
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SUBJECT: 2007 "101 Critical Days of Summer" Safety Campaign

1. The 52<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing Safety Office is again leading this year's "101 Critical Days of Summer" Safety Campaign which runs from Memorial Day to Labor Day. During these 101-day periods over the past five years, 146 Airmen have lost their lives. It is due to the fact that nearly 60 percent of all Air Force mishaps occur during these 101 days that we focus on specific activities that can injure or kill us or our family members and friends.
2. Every summer, motor vehicle accidents cause the majority of our fatalities. Although we have seen a decline in recent years, losing even one Airman is a tragedy and has a catastrophic impact on those he or she leaves behind. Ensure that you have a plan when driving throughout the busy roads of Europe, or back home in the U.S. Take frequent stops every few hours to stretch and relax and don't plan to drive more than 400 miles (650 km) per day. Definitely don't drive if you are tired—driving drowsy can be as dangerous as driving drunk, and there is never a good reason to drink and drive.
3. We are adding additional safety information to our *52 Weeks of Safety* page on the Spangdahlem public website (<http://www.spangdahlem.af.mil/52weeksofsafety/index.asp>). We urge you to check it frequently for the most up-to-date safety information on your planned activity, or contact us at DSN 452-6543 / Comm 06565-61-6543 for Safety information for you, your family, and your friends.

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