



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
PACIFIC AIR FORCES

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MEMORANDUM FOR INCOMING PERSONNEL

FROM: 374 CES/CC

SUBJECT: Welcome to Yokota AB, Japan

1. Congratulations on your assignment to Yokota Air Base, Japan! On behalf of the 374th Airlift Wing Commander and 374th Mission Support Group Commander, please allow me to extend a warm welcome to you and your family.
2. My Housing Office staff has received your Housing Application and will do everything they can to assist you and your family make a smooth transition to Japan. All active duty military members will be housed on-base, and civilians may live on-base when excess housing is available. Whether you are on or off-base, we are committed to giving you valuable advice that will suit your needs.
 - a. Living on-base provides you and your family enhanced security, community atmosphere, and faster access to base facilities. The high cost of rental properties off-base increases the desirability of living on-base. With three housing communities, multiple playgrounds and athletic fields, residents of military family housing are afforded the rare privilege of being able to enjoy ample open space while living in Tokyo-the capital and largest city in Japan. For these reasons, it has been deemed safer and more advantageous for military families to reside on-base.
 - b. Civilian members choosing to live off-base in the local community are offered a selection of community housing that ranges from traditional Japanese to American-style homes. We will inform you of the number of off-base units within your rental ceiling. If you would like to live on-base, we often have more than enough on-base housing to accommodate our civilian teammates.
3. I encourage you to contact the Housing Office within the first 1-2 days of your arrival to Yokota. At that time, our friendly Housing staff will brief you of your Temporary Lodging Allowance (TLA) entitlements and application procedures. Additionally, your initial visit with us will enable our counselors to provide you with an estimated availability of on-base and off-base community housing.
4. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your housing, please contact us at DSN 315-225-8636 or 0425-52-2511, ext 5-7114. Our housing information is also accessible from any location (<http://www.yokota.af.mil/library/newcomers/index.asp>). Have a safe journey!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wade J. Rawlins".

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