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## USTRANSCOM Guidance to the Joint Force Regarding use of Face Coverings in USTRANSCOM and AMC Passenger Terminals and Aircraft

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SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill. – On Apr. 14, 2020, U.S. Transportation Command directed the use of personally procured or self-made face coverings in all TRANSCOM and Air Mobility Command terminals and on all military or commercially contracted aircraft to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

The directive is in accordance with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommendation and Department of Defense guidance to wear cloth face coverings in public settings where social distancing at a minimum of six feet of separation is difficult to maintain.

If travelers do not have face coverings, they should visit CDCs website for instructions on how to create homemade face coverings at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html</a>. Face coverings will not be provided by TRANSCOM or AMC.

The directive to wear face coverings applies to personnel including military personnel, DoD civilian employees, family members, DoD Contractors, and non-DoD U.S. government personnel.