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FOREWORD

1. PURPOSE

To distribute a reprint of the 1940 edition of the Small Wars Manual as an aid to education and training in the historical approach of Marine Corps units conducting operations in low-intensity conflicts. In the 1930's, such conflicts were referred to as "small wars."

2. INFORMATION

a. The Small Wars Manual is one of the best books on military operations in peacekeeping and counterinsurgency operations published before World War II.

b. This Manual is published for information only and is not directive in nature. It should be read in the context of pre-World War II politics and operational methods. Its republication does not indicate endorsement by the United States Marine Corps of any statement in the book.

3. RESPONSIBILITIES

a. Commanders should ensure that this Manual is available to Marines concerned with the types of activities discussed in this Manual.

b. Additional copies of this Manual may be obtained from the Marine Corps publications stock point at Marine Corps Logistics Base, Albany, Georgia, per instructions in MCO P5600.31.

4. RESERVE APPLICABILITY

This Manual is applicable to the Marine Corps Reserve.

5. CERTIFICATION

Reviewed and approved this date.


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