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BODY OF MISSING AIRMAN FOUND NEAR CAPE HEDO

KADENA AIR BASE, Japan – The body of an Airman assigned to the 18th Wing at Kadena Air Base was found Nov. 27 near Cape Hedo, the same location where the Airman went missing while surfing Nov. 22. The deceased Airman was positively identified early this morning.

The name of the Airman is being withheld until 24 hours following next of kin notifications.

"We are deeply saddened by the loss of one of our valued Team Kadena members," said Brig. Gen. Joel L. Carey, 18th Wing Commander. "I want to extend our sincerest condolences to the member's family, teammates and friends."

The cause of death is unknown at this time and the incident is currently under investigation.