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**TO:** All State Agencies

**FROM:** Jay Inslee  
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**SUBJECT:** Lowering of the Washington State and United States Flags

I am deeply saddened by the death of Staff Sgt. Bryan Black, 35, and direct that Washington State and United States flags at all state agency facilities be lowered to half-staff in his memory on **Monday, October 30, 2017**. Staff Sgt. Black was killed in an ambush in Niger on October 4, 2017.

Flags should remain at half-staff until close of business or sunset on October 30, 2017.

**Please notify your staff and all of your field offices and facilities around the state.**

Other government entities, citizens and businesses are encouraged to join this recognition.

Staff Sgt. Black will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery on October 30, 2017.

Please call (360) 239-1317 if you have any questions about this flag lowering.