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Freedom of Information Officer  
U.S. Central Command  
7115 South Boundary Boulevard  
MacDill AFB, FL 33621-5101



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Dear Sir or Madam:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act, Public Law 5 U.S. Code 552.

I request copies of all directives, orders, mission statements, testimony, and other documents from 1980-1985 pertaining to the establishment of the U.S. Central Command (USCENTCOM) and its predecessor organization, the Rapid Deployment Joint Task Force (RDJTF). To clarify this request, I am requesting all documents that illuminate and relate to the strategic purpose of RDJTF and CENTCOM: their missions, objectives, functions, and so on.

Properly classified information is outside the scope of this request. However, I request that any segregable unclassified information pertaining to this request be released.

I further request a fee waiver of search and copying costs, on the following grounds:

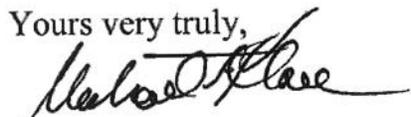
- (1) The requested materials are historical documents of considerable public and scholarly interest.
- (2) The requested materials are not in the public domain.
- (3) I will use this material in the preparation of scholarly articles, books, and public talks that will enhance public awareness of this important topic. I am the author of several books on U.S. foreign and military policy and contribute

regularly to noted publications in the field, including *Foreign Affairs*, *Current History*, *Arms Control Today*, *The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*, and *The Nation*. The material I am requesting and will cite in future publications will be of interest to other scholars in the field and to the wider public.

I therefore request a waiver on search and reproduction costs. In the event that a fee waiver is denied, I hereby agree to pay assessable fees up to \$100.00 without further notification.

Thank you for your assistance in processing this request. If you any questions regarding this request, I can be reached by phone at 413-559-5563 or by e-mail at [mklare@hampshire.edu](mailto:mklare@hampshire.edu).

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael T. Klare", written over a diagonal line that extends from the bottom left towards the center.

Michael T. Klare  
Professor