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Subject: Announcement of the Award of the Joint Meritorious Unit Award

1. Under the provisions of DoD Directive 1348.33-M, June 1993, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, has awarded the Joint Meritorious Unit Award for exceptionally meritorious achievement to Joint Task Force Six, from 1 October 1990 to 30 September 1992.

2. The streamer (FSN 8345-01-169-5944) and ribbons (FSN 8455-01-170-5144) may be obtained from normal supply channels.

FOR THE DIRECTOR FOR MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Johnnie D. Shaw", is positioned above the typed name.

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CITATION

To Accompany the Award of the
JOINT MERITORIOUS UNIT AWARD

to

Joint Task Force Six

Joint Task Force Six distinguished itself by exceptional meritorious service from 1 October 1990 to 30 September 1992, while planning and executing counterdrug operations in the United States Forces Command area of responsibility. During this period, Joint Task Force Six progressed from a temporary organization with an unproven concept to a fully functional, permanently staffed headquarters with members of all services, civilians, the National Guard, and drug law enforcement agency liaison officers. Their contribution has been invaluable and instrumental in forming the framework for successful Department of Defense counterdrug missions in support of federal, state, and local drug law enforcement agencies within the Southwest Border Region of the United States. Although working with little guidance or institutional knowledge, Joint Task Force Six implemented procedures that ensured this support was provided in the most timely and cost effective manner. During this 24 month period, Joint Task Force Six planned and coordinated more than 800 counterdrug missions, involving over 320 Department of Defense units and supporting over 250 law enforcement agencies. Joint Task Force Six has also created and nurtured solid relationships between law enforcement and the Department of Defense and has contributed significantly to assisting Operation Alliance in coordinating and synchronizing the diverse efforts of multiple law enforcement agencies. The joint mindset fostered by Joint Task Force Six has enhanced the effectiveness of the counterdrug effort and will continue to show positive results for many years to come. By their exemplary performance of duty, the members of Joint Task Force Six have brought great credit upon themselves and the Department of Defense.