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### IMPROVING LIVES: MILITARY HUMANITARIAN AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

#### 4 Introduction

GENERAL RICHARD B. MYERS, CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

The United States works closely with allies, other NATO and United Nations member states, nongovernmental organizations, and local governments to provide humanitarian assistance, disaster relief, and civil affairs support around the world.

#### 6 Education and Training: A Common Foundation for Security

LINCOLN P. BLOOMFIELD, JR., ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR POLITICAL-MILITARY AFFAIRS

International Military Education and Training programs help foreign defense establishments improve their national defense capabilities, plan and implement defense reforms, and develop capacities to confront national security threats.

#### 9 A Long Tradition Of Cooperation and Support

COLONEL GEORGE TOPIC, PROFESSOR, NATIONAL DEFENSE UNIVERSITY

A military scholar describes the evolution and historical role of military foreign assistance training and humanitarian assistance programs in furthering regional and national security objectives, and in enhancing global relations.

#### 12 A Center for the Handicapped

ABDELSALEM HARRATH, AN EDUCATION SPECIALIST IN SIDI BOU ALI, TUNISIA

The vision of community leaders in Tunisia, coupled with the moral and financial support of the U.S. Department of Defense Humanitarian Assistance Program, has significantly improved lives and learning opportunities for handicapped children in the town of Sidi Bou Ali.

#### 13 Combating AIDS

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER MATTHEW L. LIM, MD, PROGRAM MANAGER, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE HIV/AIDS PREVENTION PROGRAM

The HIV/AIDS prevention program is serving military organizations in 41 countries worldwide.

#### 16 An Angolan-American Partnership Against HIV/AIDS

ERIC BING, MD, CHARLES R. DREW UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE

The author describes the comprehensive HIV/AIDS prevention program he began for the Angolan armed forces in 2001.

#### 18 Training Deminers

RODNEY A. ROBIDEAU AND LLOYD CARPENTER, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE HUMANITARIAN DEMINING TRAINING CENTER

The U.S. Department of Defense's Humanitarian Demining Training Center conducts training according to International Mine Action Standards, and teaches safer ways to carry out humanitarian demining operations in support of the U.S. government's Mine Action Engagement Program.

## **21 Teaching Civil-Military Relations**

THOMAS C. BRUNEAU, PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS, AND DIRECTOR, CENTER FOR CIVIL-MILITARY RELATIONS, U.S. NAVAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL

The Center for Civil-Military Relations helps strengthen democratic civil-military relationships among allied nations through a diverse mix of training, seminar, and degree programs at home and abroad.

## **24 State to State**

Through its ties with 44 emerging democracies, the U.S. National Guard's State Partnership Program fosters democracy, encourages market economies, promotes regional cooperation and stability, and provides humanitarian assistance.

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