

The Director of Central Intelligence
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National Intelligence Council

Robert C. Kingston
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Dear General Kingston:

[redacted] and I want to sincerely thank you and the people of your Command for making our visit so profitable. The motivation and dedication you have instilled is very obvious; coupled with a mission of such significance, CENTCOM has indeed become an exciting and rewarding place to work.

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The work in my office to broaden the understandings of warning and to facilitate the provision of truly early warning is so very relevant to your requirements that we both ended up getting recharged and rededicated. We are also most pleased that the briefing to your intelligence personnel was so well received. We must continue to test our hypotheses to ensure that they are valid and relevant. We will also continue to work on providing your Command, as well as other field activities with pertinent training materials as they are developed. We have a major effort in conjunction with DIA and NSA to build courses and video tapes which will be responsive to your requirements.

Special thanks are due Gen. Gordon for his generous use of his time with us. Due to his efforts, CENTCOM will be in our minds when we address support to our military commands. Lt. Commander Ned Tyree was also superb in his support to us.

We discussed the possibility of a CENTCOM briefing team coming to Washington to tell the CENTCOM tasking story to other National Intelligence Officers. We will try to work that in early 1984 when Lt. Commander Tyree arrives in our Headquarters.

If there is ever anything we can do from our position here in Washington, please don't hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

David Y. McManis