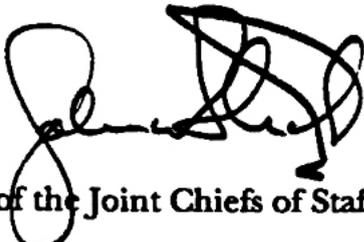




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Joint Meritorious Unit Award
to the
Combined Task Force Provide Comfort II

Combined Task Force PROVIDE COMFORT II distinguished itself by exceptionally meritorious achievement from 17 July 1991 to 30 June 1993. Following the failed rebellion against Iraq, over 40 million dollars was legislated to support the humanitarian relief effort in Northern Iraq. The Combined Task Force deployed teams into this area to assist in the construction of more than 6,500 shelter units and over 4,500 trucks delivered in excess of 42,000 metric tons of subsistence supplies, 7,575,000 gallons of fuel, 50,000 blankets, 40,000 warm coats, 40,000 pairs of boots and 1,000 heating stoves to these devastated people. In addition, vaccine to inoculate over three million animals against disease, pesticide to spray 180,000 hectares of land, well drilling equipment to reach critically needed water, medicine to continue fighting disease and building supplies to construct bridges were provided to ensure the survival of over 450,000 Kurdish refugees. Finally, the Task Force's ground and air components were pillars of deterrence for any possible Iraqi aggression against the Kurds. By their exemplary performance of duty, the members of Combined Task Force PROVIDE COMFORT II have brought great credit to themselves and to the Department of Defense.

Given under my hand this 6th day of April 1994



Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff