



# CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF INSTRUCTION

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CJCSI 2212.01B

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## OFFICIAL VISITS OF FOREIGN NATIONALS TO THE HEADQUARTERS OF COMBATANT COMMANDS

### References:

- a. DOD Directive 5230.20, 12 August 1998, "Visits, Assignments, and Exchanges of Foreign Nationals"
- b. CJCS Instruction 5221.01B, 1 December 2003, "Delegation of Authority to Commanders of Combatant Commands to Disclose Classified Military Information to Foreign Governments and International Organizations"
- c. DOD Directive 5230.11, 16 June 1992, "Disclosure of Classified Military Information to Foreign Governments and International Organizations"

1. Purpose. This instruction states the procedure for processing requests for foreign nationals to visit the headquarters of combatant commands. Processing foreign visitor clearances assists in determining information needed to assess National Disclosure Policy, physical security, and protocol requirements and in maintaining a record of contacts.

2. Cancellation. CJCSI 2212.01A, 17 March 2000, is hereby canceled.

3. Applicability. This CJCSI applies to the combatant commands, the Military Services, and DIA for functions in which they are responsive to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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4. Policy

a. In accordance with reference a, requests from foreign nationals to visit the headquarters of combatant commands should be processed through the Director, DIA, or designee. Responsibilities for processing foreign visit requests are assigned as follows:

<u>Command</u>	<u>Responsibility</u>
USCENTCOM	DIA
USEUCOM	USEUCOM (USNMR to SHAPE for NATO/ACE)
USJFCOM	DIA
USPACOM	DIA
USNORTHCOM	DIA
USSOUTHCOM	DIA
USSOCOM	DIA
USSTRATCOM	USAF
USTRANSCOM	USAF

b. Follow all appropriate procedures in the Military Departments' and DIA's guidebooks for foreign attachés. If a combatant command for which DIA is the processing agency receives a visit request directly from a foreign national, the request should be submitted through the requesting government's embassy in Washington, DC.

c. If a combatant commander headquartered in the CONUS extends an invitation to a foreign national, the commander will send a copy of the itinerary to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and to the appropriate Military Department or DIA, preferably in advance of the visit.

d. Foreign visitor clearance to an overseas component of a Military Department will be the responsibility of the parent Department.

e. If the visit of a foreign national includes disclosure of classified information, provisions of the National Disclosure Policy will apply. When requirements for delegated disclosure authorization exceed those in reference b, authorization for disclosure must be obtained from the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on a case-by-case basis. The DIA Disclosure Office will provide assistance when the request involves military intelligence information.

f. When a combatant commander deems a proposed visit of a foreign national to be politically sensitive, advance coordination with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff should be sought prior to issuing an invitation.

g. Foreign visitor clearance to overseas subcomponents and task forces of combatant commands will be the responsibility of the combatant commander. Procedures will be established to ensure that contacts with foreign representatives by DOD officials that involve access to US classified information conform with:

- (1) National Disclosure Policy.
- (2) Security and foreign policy interests of the United States.
- (3) Reference c.

h. Although foreign visit requests are managed, processed and recorded up to the collateral level by DIA or the Services, the combatant commanders retain responsibility for the visit, disclosures during the visit, security, and protocol.

i. Clearances noting access to Sensitive Compartmented Information (SCI) must be vetted through the appropriate national level authority for that organization, i.e. the Central Intelligence Agency for general intelligence and HUMINT, the National Security Agency for signals intelligence and COMINT, etc.

5. Responsibilities. The Strategic Plans and Policy Directorate, J-5, Joint Staff, is the office of primary responsibility for this instruction. Additional responsibilities are as outlined in paragraph 4 above.

6. Summary of Changes. Corrects date and title of DOD Directive 5230.20. Updates reference CJCS Instruction 5221.01B to current version. Changes all references to "CINC" to "combatant commander." Deletes USSPACECOM and adds USNORTHCOM, giving agency responsibility to DIA.

7. Releasability. This instruction is approved for public release; distribution is unlimited. DOD components (to include the combatant commands), other Federal agencies, and the public may obtain copies of this instruction through the Internet from the CJCS Directives Home Page--[http://www.dtic.mil/cjcs\\_directives](http://www.dtic.mil/cjcs_directives). Copies are also available through the Government Printing Office on the Joint Electronic Library CD-ROM.

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8. Effective Date. This instruction is effective upon receipt.

For the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T J Keating". The signature is stylized with a large "T" and "J" and a cursive "Keating".

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