

## Doctrine

### THE REAL AIR WAR

Joint Pub 3-51, *Joint Doctrine for Electronic Warfare*, provides an overview as well as definitions of key terms and concepts. Moreover, the volume covers multinational aspects of electronic warfare. Friction has occurred in recent operations when allies discovered that various electronic warfare (EW) assets employed together caused interference, and that critical signals intelligence was not being passed along. This publication explains how both NATO members and Asia-Pacific allies can move toward the concept of multinational electronic warfare.

Planning, coordinating, and using electronic warfare is described in a usable format. This is important because past operations have not always fit into the joint doctrine model. Appendixes cover special cases such as frequency deconfliction, EW reprogramming, and modeling. Service perspectives on the subject could be more robust since all four branches have different needs and usually want to accomplish different tasks.

The pub also stresses the importance of coordinating EW activities with intelligence, which is frequently not done and has led to embarrassment and potential operational failure.

Information operations is an overarching term currently in vogue in DOD channels, electronic warfare is a major part of this effort and is crucial to future military operations. **JFQ**

## Education

### THE FORGOTTEN WAR

The National Defense University Library Korean War Bibliography, containing over a thousand entries, is a comprehensive tool for researching the history of the conflict. It is organized by topic and includes references to books, scholarly journals, magazines, and Web-based resources. It can be found online at <http://www.ndu.edu/library/pubs/koreanwartitl.html>. Many entries contain hyperlinks that allow

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### SOCOM ESSAY CONTEST

U.S. Special Operations Command (SOCOM) has announced the second annual Special Operations Forces Essay Contest, which solicits innovative concepts on Special Operations Forces (SOF) doctrine, training, education, employment, organization, and technologies.

Competitors may write on any aspect of special operations. Entrants may be military personnel or civilians from the public or private sector and of any nationality. Essays by individual authors or groups are eligible as is work carried out at staff and war colleges, service schools, civilian universities, and other educational institutions. Submissions must be original and not previously published.

Entries must not exceed 5,000 words and be double-spaced on 8.5 x 11 white paper, with 1-inch margins and 12-point typeface. Documentation may follow any standard form of citation, but endnotes are preferred. Each entry must be submitted with (1) a letter indicating that the essay is a contest entry together with the author's

name and preferred contact information (mailing address, phone or fax number, and e-mail address); (2) a cover sheet containing the contestant's full name, essay title, and word count at lower left corner; (3) a summary of no more than 150 words; and (4) a biographical sketch of the author (optional). If possible, submit the manuscript on a disk (Word format is preferred). Entry materials will not be returned unless requested. All entries must be unclassified.

Content, purpose, organization, scope, and style are all weighed. The Joint SOF Education Council will select the best essays and forward them to the Commander in Chief, Special Operations Command, who will determine the overall winner and present prizes, including a SOCOM coin and book selection. The command will also sponsor the winning entry for potential publication in a leading professional military education journal.

Entries must be postmarked no later than May 1, 2002. Students at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces and National War College should submit their essays through the SOF chair at the National Defense University. All others should be mailed directly to Headquarters, U.S. Special Operations Command, ATTN: SOOP-PJ-E, 7701 Tampa Point Boulevard, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida 33621-5323. **JFQ**

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