

**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: AFRICOM records pursuant to DoD Directive 5200.27**

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From: Patrick Eddington - To: africom.stuttgart.accc.list.foia-mba@mail.mil - Cc: - Date: July 19, 2019 at 5:56 PM, Attachments:  
DoD Directive 5200.27 FOIA AFRICOM 071919.docx

Please see the attached request regarding the above captioned topic.

Sincerely,

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July 19, 2019

VIA [africom.stuttgart.accc.list.foia-mba@mail.mil](mailto:africom.stuttgart.accc.list.foia-mba@mail.mil)

U.S. Africa Command  
FOIA Office  
Kelley Kaserne, Unit 29951  
PlieningerStrasse 289  
70567 Stuttgart-Moehringen  
Germany

To the responsible FOIA Officer:

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**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: Army records pursuant to DoD Directive 5200.27 -**

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From: Patrick Eddington - To: usarmy.belvoir.hqda-aaa-ahs.mbx.rmda-foia@mail.mil - Cc: - Date: July 18, 2019 at 4:02 PM,  
Attachments: DoD Directive 5200.27 FOIA Army 071819.docx

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U.S. Army Freedom of Information Act Office  
Records Management and Declassification Agency  
9301 Chapek Rd. Bldg 1458  
Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-5605

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**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: CENTCOM records pursuant to DoD Directive 5200.27**

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From: Patrick Eddington - To: centcom.macdill.centcom-hq.mbx.freedom-of-information-act@mail.mil - Cc: - Date: July 19, 2019  
at 2:04 PM, Attachments: DoD Directive 5200.27 FOIA CENTCOM 071919.docx

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United States Central Command J6-RDF (FOIA)  
7115 South Boundary Boulevard  
MacDill AFB, FL 33621-5101

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**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: CYBERCOM records pursuant to DoD Directive**

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From: Patrick Eddington - To: cybercom\_foia@cybercom.mil - Cc: - Date: July 19, 2019 at 11:12 AM, Attachments: DoD Directive  
5200.27 FOIA CYBERCOM 071919.docx

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VIA [CYBERCOM FOIA@cybercom.mil](mailto:CYBERCOM_FOIA@cybercom.mil)

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Fort George G. Meade, MD 20755

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**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: DIA records pursuant to DoD Directive 5200.27**

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DIA 071919.docx

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Defense Intelligence Agency  
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7400 Pentagon  
Washington, DC 20301-7400

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**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: EUCOM records pursuant to DoD Directive 5200.27**

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From: Patrick Eddington - To: eucom.stuttgart.ecj1.list.foia-privact-request-mb-access@mail.mil - Cc: - Date: July 19, 2019 at 4:51 PM, Attachments: DoD Directive 5200.27 FOIA EUCOM 071919.docx

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HQ USEUCOM  
FOIA Requestor Service Center  
Unit 30400  
APO AE 09131

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**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: NGA records pursuant to DoD Directive 5200.27**

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FOIA NGA 071919.docx

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VIA [FOIANGA@nga.mil](mailto:FOIANGA@nga.mil)

National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency  
FOIA/PA Requester Service Center  
7500 GEOINT Drive, MS N22-SISM  
Springfield, Virginia 22150-7500

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**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: NORTHCOM records pursuant to DoD Directive**

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From: Patrick Eddington - To: n-nc.peterson.n-ncspecialstaff.mbx.cska-foia-omb@mail.mil - Cc: - Date: July 19, 2019 at 5:28 PM, Attachments: DoD Directive 5200.27 FOIA NORTHCOM 071919.docx

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ATTN: Donna A. Crump  
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**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: OSD/JCS component records re: DoD Directive**

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From: Patrick Eddington - To: whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.osd-js-foia-requester-service-center@mail.mil - Cc: - Date: July 18, 2019 at 3:46 PM, Attachments: DoD Directive 5200.27 FOIA OSD-JCS 071819.docx

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July 18, 2019

OSD/JS FOIA Requester Service Center  
Freedom of Information Division  
1155 Defense Pentagon  
Washington, DC 20301-1155

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**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: SOCOM records pursuant to DoD Directive 5200.27**

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From: Patrick Eddington - To: foia@socom.mil - Cc: - Date: July 19, 2019 at 5:43 PM, Attachments: DoD Directive 5200.27 FOIA  
SOCOM 071919.docx

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July 19, 2019

VIA [FOIA@socom.mil](mailto:FOIA@socom.mil)

HQ USSOCOM  
FOIA Requester Service Center  
ATTN: SOCS-SJS-VI  
7701 Tampa Point Blvd.  
MacDill AFB, FL 33621-5323

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**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: STRATCOM records pursuant to DoD Directive**

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From: Patrick Eddington - To: stratcom.offutt.j006.mbx.foia-pa@mail.mil - Cc: - Date: July 19, 2019 at 5:51 PM, Attachments:  
DoD Directive 5200.27 FOIA STRATCOM 071919.docx

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July 22, 2019

VIA [stratcom.offutt.j006.mbx.foia-pa@mail.mil](mailto:stratcom.offutt.j006.mbx.foia-pa@mail.mil)

USSTRATCOM/J006 (FOIA)  
901 SAC BLVD STE 2E27  
Offutt AFB NE 68113

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Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request copies of any records from any STRATCOM component pursuant to DoD Directive 5200.27, "Acquisition of Information Concerning Persons and Organizations not Affiliated with the Department of Defense," between September 18, 2007 and the date of this request.

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**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: TRANSCOM records pursuant to DoD Directive**

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From: Patrick Eddington - To: transcom.scott.tcja.mbx.foia@mail.mil - Cc: - Date: July 19, 2019 at 5:48 PM, Attachments: DoD Directive 5200.27 FOIA TRANSCOM 071919.docx

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July 19, 2019

VIA [transcom.scott.tcja.mbx.foia@mail.mil](mailto:transcom.scott.tcja.mbx.foia@mail.mil)

USTRANSCOM/TCJA-FO  
Attn: FOIA Officer  
508 Scott Drive  
Scott AFB IL 62225-5357

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**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: SOUTHCAM records pursuant to DoD Directive**

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From: Patrick Eddington - To: southcom.miami.sc-cc.mbx.southcomfoia@mail.mil - Cc: - Date: July 19, 2019 at 5:12 PM,  
Attachments: DoD Directive 5200.27 FOIA SOUTHCAM 071919.docx

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July 19, 2019

VIA [southcom.miami.sc-cc.mbx.southcomfoia@mail.mil](mailto:southcom.miami.sc-cc.mbx.southcomfoia@mail.mil)

United States Southern Command  
Attn: SCSJA-FOIA  
9301 NW 33rd St.  
Doral, FL 3317-1202

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**Subject: FOIA REQUEST: INDOPACOM records pursuant to DoD Directive**

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From: Patrick Eddington - To: pacom.foia.fct@pacom.mil - Cc: - Date: July 19, 2019 at 4:40 PM, Attachments: DoD Directive  
5200.27 FOIA INDOPACOM 071919.docx

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Attn: J06 FOIA  
Box 64022  
Camp Smith HI 96861- 4022

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