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PLANNER

2017



USARCENT LINES OF EFFORT

SET THE THEATER

USARCENT IS POSTURED TO MANAGE AND DETER CONFLICT AND, WHEN REQUIRED, TO FIGHT AND WIN AS A JOINT AND COALITION FORCE.



SHAPE

USARCENT, THROUGH THE AGILE APPLICATION OF SECURITY COOPERATION ACTIVITIES WITH PARTNER NATIONS, HAS ESTABLISHED, REVITALIZED, OR STRENGTHENED PARTNERSHIPS THAT MAINTAIN OR IMPROVE U.S. ACCESS, BASING, AND PERMISSIONS WHILE INCREASING OUR PARTNER NATIONS' INTEROPERABILITY AND CAPACITY.



2020 Endstate

U.S. Army Central, through enduring presence and persistent partnerships, contributes to regional security and stability, protects U.S. national interests, and is prepared to command joint and coalition forces to defeat emerging threats.

UNIFIED LAND OPERATIONS

USARCENT HAS THE MISSION COMMAND STRUCTURE TO COMMAND A JOINT AND COALITION LAND FORCE WHILE MAINTAINING THE ABILITY TO EXECUTE CORE ARMY SERVICE COMPONENT COMMAND FUNCTIONS.

ENHANCE THE FORCE

USARCENT ENHANCES CAPABILITIES AND SHAPES THE FUTURE ARMY FORCE THROUGH INITIATIVES AND COMMUNICATION WITH HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY AND TRAINING AND DOCTRINE COMMAND.



USARCENT COMMAND TEAM

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USARCENT MISSION



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Through regional engagement and forward presence USARCENT shapes and sets the theater to support operations; improve relationships, access and partner capacity; and deter adversaries while providing mission command structure to execute Unified Land Operations in support of Combatant Commanders directorates.

USARCENT VISION STATEMENT

U.S. Army Central- a disciplined and agile command comprised of America's land domain experts in the Middle East and Central/South Asia - is postured through enduring presence and persistent partnerships to protect U.S. national interests in the Central Region, and ready to rapidly assume command of Joint and Coalition forces to defeat emerging threats.

- By our presence, we prevent conflict and preserve stability, shape the area to the benefit of America and its partners, and posture the U.S. to successfully negotiate future contingencies in the area, making our small forward presence a cost-effective component of U.S. foreign policy.
- Each year we conduct several hundred events working alongside our numerous partner nations. These events build trust and interoperability, which provides military, cultural, and business access. Every action we take is in some way Military Support to Public Diplomacy.
- We have mission command units in South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, Kuwait, Qatar, Afghanistan, Jordan, Egypt and Iraq.
- Kuwait is a key defense partner of the U.S.-Kuwait is officially a Major Non-NATO Ally of the U.S.- and the location is ideal for logistical support and quick reaction to any potential contingencies.
- Our presence in the Arabian Gulf region is by agreement with our GCC allies. All facilities forward belong to the host nation and are used by the U.S. government.
- U.S. Army Central acknowledges a significant portion of our success belongs to the support of the surrounding communities, local/regional leadership, Team Shaw partners and the exceptional Soldiers and Families of USARCENT at home and abroad.





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“The one thing I would ask you to remember and not take for granted, is the ease of which professional militaries are able to come together and operate. It’s one of those things that is very special about being a servant of our countries.”

*-Lt. Gen. Michael X. Garrett,
USARCENT Commanding General*

JANUARY

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1 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	17 1991-Operation Desert Storm begins	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 1945- Conclusion of Battle of the Bulge	26 1944- Gen. Patton takes command of Third Army	27	28
29	30	31				

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“You must always set the example by being a leader that your Soldiers will want to be one day. Never take shortcuts, and inspire them with your actions.”

*-Command Sgt. Maj. Eric C. Dostie,
USARCENT Command Sergeant Major*

FEBRUARY

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				Groundhog Day		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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	Washington's Birthday				1991- Liberation of Kuwait begins	
26	27	28				
Liberation Day Kuwait		1991- Cease-fire ends Desert Storm				

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“The real secret weapon of USARCEN and CENTCOM is our people and the great young officers and noncommissioned officers.”

*-Gen. Joseph L. Votel,
USCENTCOM Commanding General*

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			Ash Wednesday			
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Daylight Savings Time begins			1947- Third Army redeploys from Germany to Fort McPherson, Ga.		St. Patrick's Day	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
2003- Third Army, as a CFLCC, initiates D-Day for the invasion of Iraq	Spring begins		1945- Third Army crosses the Rhine River			
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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“USARCENT is the primary vehicle for Army support to joint interagency, intergovernmental and multi-national forces across the CENTCOM AOR.”

*-Maj. Gen. Paul C. Hurley,
USARCENT Deputy Commanding General Sustainment and 1st TSC Commanding General*

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2	3	4	5 1945- Battle of Ruhr Pocket	6	7	8
9	10	11 2003- Third Army HQ deploys to Baghdad Passover begins	12	13	14 Good Friday	15
16 Easter Sunday	17	18 Passover ends	19	20	21	22 Earth Day
23 U.S. Army Reserve Birthday	24	25	26	27	28	29
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“Their memory continues in our hearts today for those Soldiers that didn’t return. The family members, the friends and the grateful nation will always keep their memory alive.”

*-Maj. Gen. William B. Hickman,
USARCENT Deputy Commanding General Operations*

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				1945- Third Army enters Czechoslovakia		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1945- Third Army liberates Pilsen, Czechoslovakia	1945- Victory in Europe Day	1941- Third Army leads the first Louisiana Maneuvers				
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Mother's Day						Armed Forces Day 2011- Patton Hall opens at Shaw AFB
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
						Ramadan begins
28	29	30	31			
	Memorial Day					

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“Leadership is about people. This way of life is about human interaction. It’s about family; it’s about the brother and sisterhood – it is personal.”

*-Lt. Gen. Michael X. Garrett,
USARCENT Commanding General*

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				1 Last Day of School Sumter School District 2016- 2017	2	3
4	5	6 1944- D-Day	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 242nd ARMY BIRTHDAY Flag Day	15 2003- U.S. Army Central assumes responsibility for RSOI of Iraq Forces	16	17
18 Father's Day	19	20	21 Summer begins	22	23	24 2014- Operation Inherent Resolve begins
25 Eid al Fitr (End of Ramadan)	26	27	28	29	30	

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“We, therefore, the representatives of the United States of America, in general congress, assembled, appealing to the supreme judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the name, and by authority of the good people of these colonies, solemnly publish and declare, that these united colonies are, and of right ought to be free and independent states.”

*-United States Declaration of Independence,
July 4, 1776*

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1919- Third Army deactivates after WWI		Independence Day		1944- Third Army HQ arrives in France		
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“Every person matters in this fight even down to the most basic rifleman, and if they aren’t there the mission can’t be accomplished.”

*-Pfc. Michael Cameron,
4th Bn. 1st Field Artillery Regiment grenadier*

AUGUST

S	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa
		1	2	3	4 U.S. Coast Guard Birthday	5
6	7	8	9 1932- Third Army reactivates at Fort Sam Houston	10	11	12
13	14 1945- Victory in Japan Day	15	16 1990- Third Army Main CP operational in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	17	18	19
20	21 1944- Third Army and Canadian First Army seal the Falaise Pocket in France	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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“The more we can work with other countries and expose our military to joint experiences the better prepared we are because in today’s world the reality is that we are never going to fight alone but rather always together as a coalition.”

*-Sgt. 1st Class David Barberet,
USARCENT Security Cooperation Branch, NCOIC*

SEPTEMBER

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3	4 Labor Day	5	6	7	8 1944- Third Army crosses the Moselle River	9
10	11 National Day of Service and Remembrance	12	13	14	15 Patriot National POW/ MIA Recognition Day	16
17	18 U.S. Air Force Birthday	19 2015- USARCENT relinquishes command of CJTF-OIR	20	21 Rosh Hashanah	22 Autumn begins	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 Yom Kippur

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“The Army taught me how to work through adversity and how to be positive in the hard times. When faced with the unexpected I would know that everything would come together because of the time and effort I put in.”

*Maj. James Taylor,
USARCENT Information Operations Exercise Planner*

OCTOBER

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7 2001- Operation Enduring Freedom begins
8	9 Columbus Day	10	11	12	13 U.S. Navy Birthday	14
15	16 2006- HQDA order establishes USARCENT	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 Halloween				

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“Wars may be fought with weapons, but they are won by men. It is the spirit of the men who follow and of the man who leads that gains the victory.”

-Gen. George S. Patton Jr.

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5 Daylight Savings Time ends	6	7  1918- Third Army Birthday	8	9	10 U.S. Marine Corps	11 Veterans Day 1885- Gen. Patton's Birthday
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 1944- Third Army captures fortress city of Metz, France
19	20 2001- Third Army designated as a CFLCC	21	22	23 Thanksgiving Day	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

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“The holiday season is a time to reflect, be thankful and enjoy time with friends and family. Our Soldiers, civilians and families are the best our nation has to offer and we are grateful for all they do. Have a joyous and safe holiday season and Happy New Year.”

*-Lt. Gen. Michael X. Garrett,
USARCENT Commanding General*

DECEMBER

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3 1982- Third Army reactivates at Fort McPherson, Ga., as an ASCC	4	5	6	7 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day	8	9 Army vs. Navy football game
10	11	12	13 Hanukkah begins U.S. National Guard Birthday	14	15 1918- Third Army establishes HQ at Koblenz, Germany	16 1944- Battle of the Bulge begins
17	18 2011- Final U.S. convoy departs Iraq in Operation Nickel	19	20 Hanukkah ends 1944- Operation Nickel, Third Army turns North to relieve Bastogne 1922- Circle A shoulder patch approved	21 Winter begins 1945- General Patton dies in Heidelberg, Germany	22	23
24 31 New Year's Eve	25 Christmas Day	26 1944- Seige of Bastogne broken by advance elements of Third Army	27	28	29	30

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