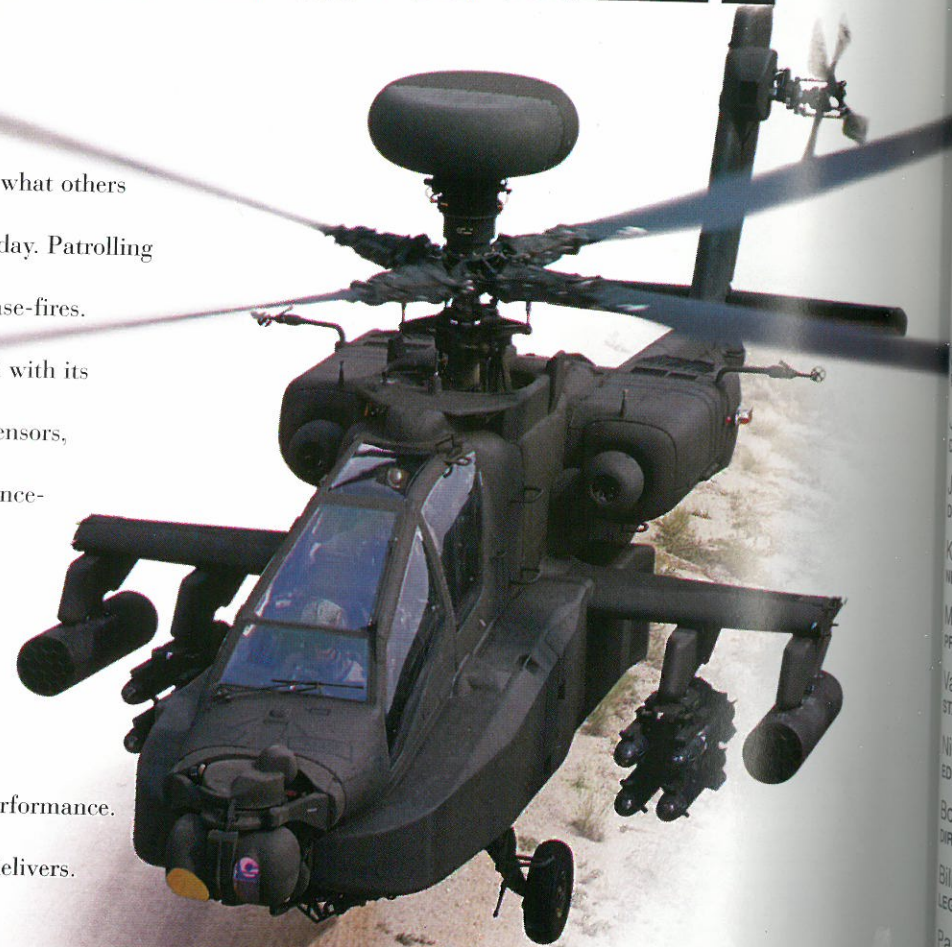


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Two years after the Defense Department established the National Guard's Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams and nearly a year after they were equipped and completed their preliminary training, none have been certified to operate. The first 10 of the 27 teams formed to support local authorities in the event of a chemical or biological terrorist incident were to be Pentagon certified last spring. They are still waiting. In the interim, debate rages on the scope of the domestic WMD threat and the best ways to respond.



20 Looking for Hope

Sgt. 1st Class Randy Holke fought in the nation's most controversial war. So after he finished this second tour in Vietnam, he just wanted to leave it all behind. Nearly three decades later, however, the programs sergeant for the Nebraska Army National Guard's Officer Candidate School is one of the country's top advocates for Vietnam veterans, particularly those who never came home. He helps provide hope for families unable to find closure from the war.



22 The Lighter Side of SFOR 7

Maj. Larry Seefeldt, part-time cartoonist and full-time active-Army public-affairs practitioner, was part of the seventh Stabilization Force rotation, or SFOR 7—the Texas Army National Guard-led Bosnia peacekeeping mission. He says that he not only found time to draw during the deployment, "inspiration was everywhere." His work finds humor in the mission's daily routine that all Bosnia vets can appreciate.

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