

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

OFFICE OF THE STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE
HEADQUARTERS, 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION (AIR ASSAULT)
OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, FOB SPEICHER
TIKRIT, IRAQ APO AE 09393

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30 November 2005

MEMORANDUM OF OPINION

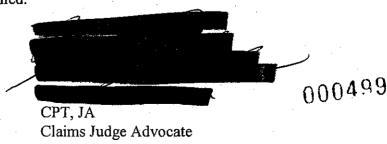
SUBJECT: Claim of

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1. Identifying Data:

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- 2. Date and place the incident occurred giving rise to the claim: The claim occurred on August 8, 2005 in Tikrit (Owja), Iraq.
- 3. Amount of claim and date it was filed: Claimant filed a claim for \$10,551 on 29 Nov 2005.
- 4. **Jurisdiction:** This request is presented for consideration under the provisions of the Foreign Claims Act, 10 USC Section 2734, as implemented by Chapter 10, Army Regulation 27-20. This claim was properly filed in a timely manner.
- 5. Facts: Claimant was driving in Tikrit on highway when a CF convoy approached from the rear. Claimant's vehicle somhow got caught in the middle of the convoy when trying to pull to the side of the road. CF vehicle opened fire on the Claimant's vehicle causing the vehicle to flip over. The claimant's cousin who was riding as a passenger in the vehicle was shot and killed. Claimant was shot and is filing for damages related to his personal injuries and damage to his vehicle. Claimant's car is a 1994 Nissan Cedric.
- 6. **Opinion:** Under AR 27-20, paragraph 10-3, Claims arising "directly or indirectly" from combat activities of the U.S. Armed Forces are not payable. AR 27-20 defines combat activities as, "Activities resulting directly or indirectly from action by the enemy, or by the U.S. Armed Forces engaged in armed conflict, or in immediate preparation for impending armed conflict." Here, the actions of the convey constitute combat action because CF took action in self defense.
- 7. Recommendation: This claim is denied.





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TASK FORCE BAND OF BROTHERS

FORWARD OPERATING BASE SPEICHER

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MEMORANDUM FOR Claimant

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CPT, FCC
Foreign Claims Commissioner



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