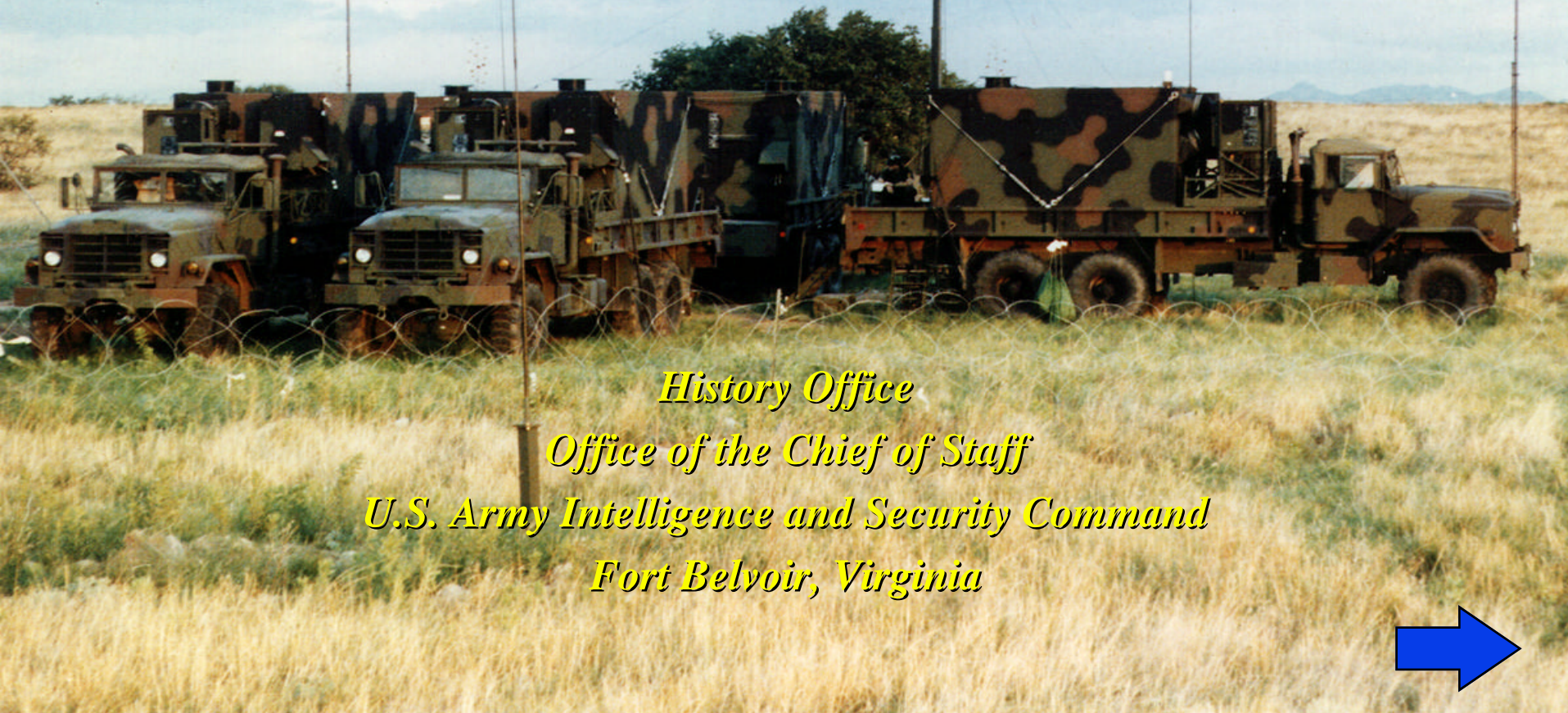# Welcome to the CD-ROM edition of

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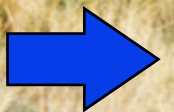
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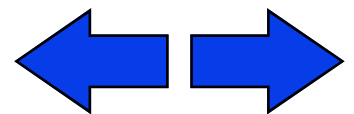*U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command*

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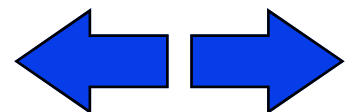
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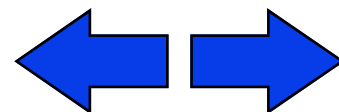
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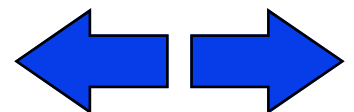
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Introduction

The INSCOM historical publication program is executed by the command's Military History Office. The History Office is actually older than the command itself: while INSCOM was first organized in 1977, the History Office traces its origins back to the beginnings of the Army Security Agency (ASA) in 1945. At that time, the ASA's Director of Communications, legendary cryptologist Dr. William F. Friedman, decided to set up an extensive historical program to document the contributions made by Army code-breakers to achieving victory in World War II. This program concentrated on producing special technical studies. It employed a sizable staff of civilian and military personnel until the creation of an all-volunteer force in the aftermath of the Vietnam conflict ended the supply of college-trained draftees. Since that time, the ASA/INSCOM History Office has consisted of three civilian employees.

Following the creation of INSCOM in 1977, the Military History Office reordered its priorities. In addition to producing technical histories, managing the command-wide history program, and responding to requests for information, the History Office initiated a publications program designed to expose soldiers to the rich heritage of Military Intelligence and to inform the American public about a heretofore neglected area of military history. INSCOM histories of intelligence currently available from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D.C. 20402 include the following:
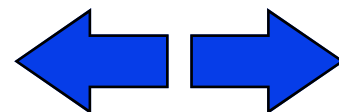
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<u>Military Intelligence: A Picture History,</u> an illustrated general history of the evolution of Army Intelligence from 1885 to the Persian Gulf War.

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<u>The Military Intelligence Story: A Photographic History,</u> the present volume, an illustrated history of Army Intelligence that emphasizes developments since 1973.

Additionally, INSCOM and the U.S. Army Center of Military History are co-publishing the <u>Army Lineage Series </u>volume on <u>Military Intelligence,</u> which will be forthcoming later in 1998.