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Members of the 504th PIR Association,

As you know, this December marks the 30th anniversary of Operation JUST CAUSE. The U.S. Army Airborne and Special Operations Museum is holding a two day commemoration on December 6th and 7th to remember combat operations in Panama that began on the 20th of December, 1989. The commemoration will take place at the museum in Fayetteville, North Carolina.

The commemoration will include a discussion with leaders who directly participated in Operation JUST CAUSE and an opportunity for surviving veterans to share their first hand experiences in Panama with those serving today.

As a component of the commemoration, the U.S. Army Airborne and Special Operations Museum is looking for artifacts from the operation – particularly items belonging to the Paratroopers who made that combat jump into contested territory 30 years ago. If you are in possession of artifacts that you would be willing to loan to the museum for the month of December 2019, please reach out to Mr. Scott Pelletier at scott.a.pelletier4.civ@mail.mil or 910-643-2787.

Strike Hold! All the Way! Airborne!

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Andrew O. Saslav
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Operation JUST CAUSE 30th Anniversary

U.S. Army Airborne and Special Operations Museum

CALL FOR ARTIFACTS

On 6 December 2019, the U.S. Army Airborne and Special Operations Museum will unveil its newest temporary exhibit commemorating the 30th anniversary of Operation JUST CAUSE. The opening of the exhibit will coincide with the special events hosted by the ASOM for the Operation's anniversary.

The ASOM is in need of artifacts for the exhibit. The ASOM's JUST CAUSE collection is severely limited and in order to produce a quality exhibit that will properly commemorate the event and honor the Veterans, the ASOM is seeking artifacts that fit the following criteria:

- Unique or one of a kind items
- Artifacts tied to a specific and personal account
- Equipment, uniforms, insignia, or other U.S. Soldier specific accoutrements
 - Items used by a notable individual

Should you wish to either donate or loan your Operation JUST CAUSE artifacts for this special exhibit, please send photographs and a description of the artifact to Denise Wald, ASOM Collections Manager at denise.m.wald.civ@mail.mil.

