

# CAP Deployed Overseas: Dream

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In the early morning of the 26<sup>th</sup> of November 2015, I had a dream where I found myself in a large barracks in a large city that I believe was Los Angeles at the LA International Airport. There were hundreds of people there most sleeping on cots in large rooms with barely enough room to walk between the cots. They were Civil Air Patrol volunteers and their task as I learned through the dream was to provide civilian support to the US Military deployed overseas, provide some protection as the CAP members were being trained in small arms and to blend into the various overseas cultures to not be identified as US military and act as informants. We were all here at the LA Airport to soon be deployed to different parts of the world due to a world war that was occurring everywhere.

I spent the night at a computer trying to find all of my CAP documents to show I was a Chaplain with the rank of Major and served as the Wing Chaplain for the CAP in Hawaii for many years. This suggests the use and deployment of the CAP overseas was very recent with little time for the gathering of documents. CAP members just showed up at the airport and then sorted out their paperwork later. As I was using the computer in searching my documents I was to present the next morning, I reached under the desk and turned a knob and on went a blender waking many of those sleeping. I of course quietly apologized. This was a good start for a chaplain I thought – something to be remembered by. I may be called Chaplain 'Blender' in the future I mused to myself.

I informally met the commander of this group who sat next to me at a computer who I found to be a very laid back kind of guy about my same rank. I finally did find my documents online, printed them out and gave them to him the next morning. The commander and I then went on our way to the mess hall set up in the LA airport and I observed that the CAP rank and file were the most ungroomed people I had ever seen – many looking like hippies and street people. This was not the CAP-USAF customs and courtesies I had to comply with when serving in the CAP in my past. The justification I was told by the commander is they should not look like military but just civilians or tourists or even expatriates who were now living in other countries in escaping the government 'oppression' of America. The less military you looked, the less likely you were to be singled out and targeted by hostile military groups in these other countries. One tall overweight gal I passed in the mess hall had a straggly beard. I could not tell if it was a she or a he although she did wear a very bad fitting dress. I thought to myself, "They will take anyone!"

I finally did find my way outside to a training area where small Cessna planes were being flown in training recruit pilots for future CAP sorties. The training was mostly to prepare them for transporting people and supplies to locations overseas where the use of military planes would be more high profile and thus a more likely target for hostile military forces or terrorists. These small planes and pilots would also double as spotters for identifying terrorist or non-US military forces on the move or encamped with these locations then being reported to the US Military command for action.

It appeared the CAP was chosen to become a deployed military force overseas in a world war that was occurring everywhere. There were no safe military bases and no safe countries. The choice of stealth in the use of CAP civilians was the chosen method to provide a much needed support to the already stretched efforts of the US Military. I am of the conclusion that this will occur in the future not only for overseas military activities but for military activities that will occur on US soil as America is invaded by foreign hostile military forces during this world war that is coming soon.