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National Right to Life Responds to U.S. Army Apology

WASHINGTON – Today, the U.S. Secretary of the Army released a letter apologizing for an anti-terrorism briefing created by a local garrison employee at Fort Bragg in North Carolina that equated National Right to Life (NRLC) with terrorist groups and accused NRLC of fomenting violence and clinic bombings.

The following is a statement from Carol Tobias, president of National Right to Life.

We welcome the apology from the U.S. Army and thank the U.S. Secretary of the Army Dan Driscoll for recognizing that the Biden administration had an “inadequate response” to the offensive training presentation used at Fort Bragg.

We thank the Secretary for his assurances that the U.S. Army does not believe that National Right to Life is a terrorist organization and that it does not believe pro-life Americans and their beliefs are considered indicators of terrorism.

In our over 50-year history, National Right to Life has always had a policy of peace and has consistently, and unequivocally, condemned violence against anyone.

A copy of the letter from the U.S. Secretary of the Army can be found [here](#).

Founded in 1968, the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), the federation of affiliates in each of the 50 states, is the nation’s oldest and largest grassroots pro-life organization. National Right to Life works through legislation and education to protect innocent human life from abortion, infanticide, assisted suicide, and euthanasia.

Read the letter in its entirety below:



SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

16 JUL 2025

Mr. Jordan Sekulow
Mr. Benjamin P. Sisney
Ms. Christy Compagnone
American Center for Law & Justice
1000 Regent University Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23464

Dear Mr. Sekulow, Mr. Sisney, and Ms. Compagnone:

Thank you for your April 24, 2025, letter to the Secretary of Defense and to me regarding your client, Operation Rescue. I am responding for both of us.

I was troubled to learn that an Army antiterrorism and protection training conducted at Fort Bragg, North Carolina had mischaracterized Operation Rescue, National Right to Life, and other pro-life groups as terrorist organizations. This mischaracterization was not only inaccurate but also deeply inappropriate.

Equally concerning was the previous Administration's inadequate response to this serious incident. Its failure to provide full transparency or take responsibility for such a grievous error is wholly unacceptable.

Let me be clear, the Army does not consider Operation Rescue, National Right to Life, and other pro-life groups to be terrorist organizations. Further, the Army does not view pro-life beliefs or state-issued pro-life license plates as indicators of terrorism.

Additionally, the Army has reviewed all security mission training materials, including antiterrorism and protection training, across all Army commands, service component commands, and direct reporting units to ensure these trainings are factually accurate, comply with the law, and align with Army values.

While I cannot undo the harm that this training caused, I want to offer my sincerest apology to Operation Rescue, National Right to Life, and all pro-life groups negatively impacted by the false characterization of all pro-life organizations made by this training. Please be assured that I am firmly committed to rigorous oversight of all Army training materials to prevent such incidents from occurring in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Driscoll", is written over a horizontal line.

Dan Driscoll

Enclosure