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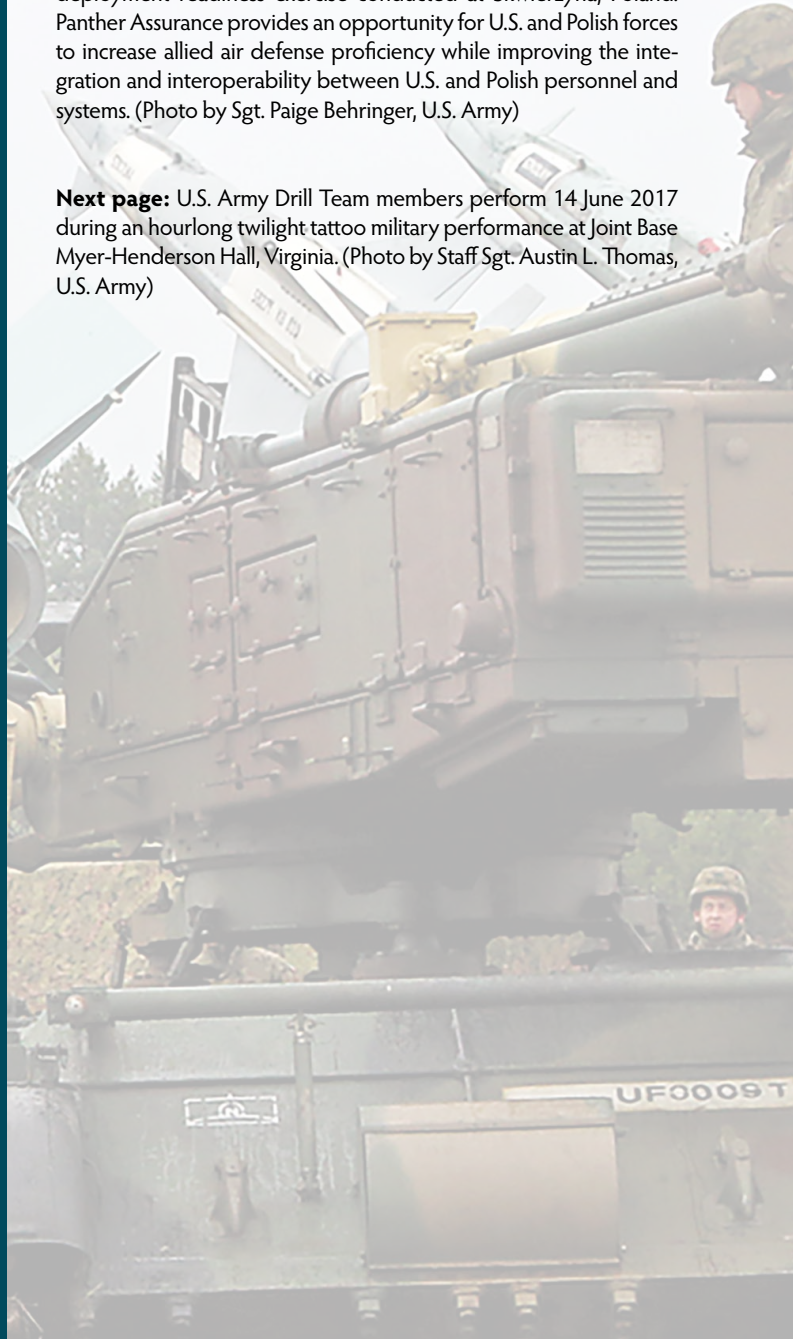
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Next page: U.S. Army Drill Team members perform 14 June 2017 during an hourlong twilight tattoo military performance at Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, Virginia. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Austin L. Thomas, U.S. Army)



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