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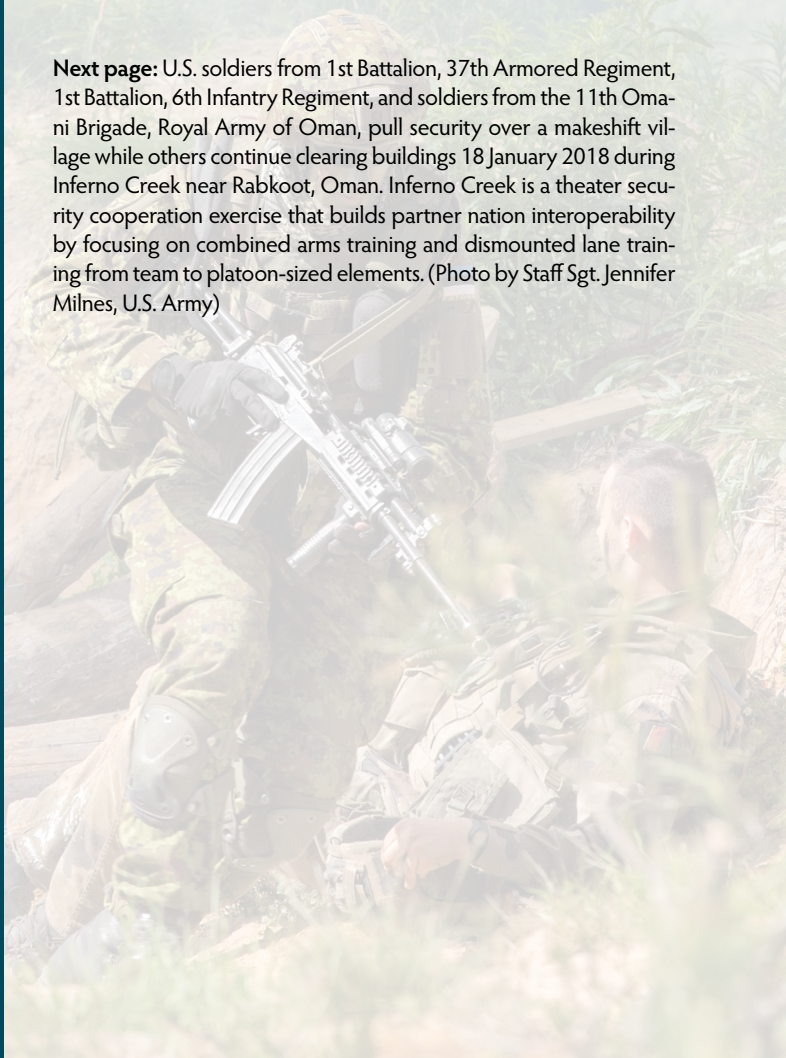
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Next page: U.S. soldiers from 1st Battalion, 37th Armored Regiment, 1st Battalion, 6th Infantry Regiment, and soldiers from the 11th Omani Brigade, Royal Army of Oman, pull security over a makeshift village while others continue clearing buildings 18 January 2018 during Inferno Creek near Rabkoot, Oman. Inferno Creek is a theater security cooperation exercise that builds partner nation interoperability by focusing on combined arms training and dismounted lane training from team to platoon-sized elements. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Jennifer Milnes, U.S. Army)



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