



COMMANDANT'S
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To all Marines, to our loved ones, to our friends and to our comrades on the American Defense Team—I extend my personal best wishes for a happy holiday season and a prosperous New Year.

This is the end of an old and beginning of a new year. It is a time to reflect upon what we have done and to look forward to that which remains to be done.

I challenge all Marines to take part in this inspection and to plan and act for our collective future.

Is today's Corps what we want it to be?

Does our emblem still stand for cool professionalism and an enthusiastic effort toward attainment of soldierly perfection?

If you find deficiencies, no matter how small, don't waste words on what might have been . . . make it right in '71.

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