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Seal: *The Lamp of Knowledge represents the academic focus of the Center and signifies the desire to foster understanding, cooperation, and the study of regional security issues. The laurel branches form a Wreath of Peace, which emphasize the Center's non-war fighting approach to addressing regional security. The visible portion of the world globe depicts the U. S. Indo-Pacific Command's area of responsibility and is surrounded by a continuous ribbon symbolizing the strong interrelationship among the six geographic regions of the Indo-Pacific Theater.*