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FORMER COMMANDER OF THE UNITED STATES CENTRAL COMMAND (CENTCOM) JOINS ARCANUM

Retired General Anthony Zinni to serve as Senior Advisor to the Chairman

Zurich/London/Washington, DC, September 14, 2015 – Arcanum, a strategic global intelligence firm and a subsidiary of Magellan Investment Holdings Ltd., announced today that retired four-star General Anthony Zinni has joined Arcanum as Senior Advisor to the Chairman. The former Commander of the US Central Command (CENTCOM) and former Special Envoy for the US to Israel and the Palestinian Authority comes to Arcanum with 39 years of service in the US Marine Corps, along with several years of experience in the fields of diplomacy, industry and academia.

“I have the greatest respect and admiration for General Zinni, both personally and professionally. His exceptional accomplishments in the military and private sector are unparalleled, and we are honoured to have him join us,” said Ron Wahid, Chairman of Arcanum. Echoing Mr. Wahid, General Zinni remarked, “I am looking forward to working with Arcanum and its impressive leadership team.”

General Zinni’s distinguished 39-year military career has taken him to more than 70 countries and included numerous command assignments at the platoon, company, battalion, regimental, Marine expeditionary unit, and Marine expeditionary force command levels. His joint assignments included command of a joint task force and a unified command.

His initial general officer assignment was as the Deputy Director of Operations at the U.S. European Command. In 1991, he served as the Chief of Staff and Deputy Commanding General of Combined Task Force Operation Provide Comfort during the Kurdish relief effort in Turkey and Iraq. He also served as the Military Coordinator for Operation Provide Hope, the relief effort for the former Soviet Union.

From 1992 to 1994, Zinni was assigned as the Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Quantico, Virginia, a post he held in tandem with his position as Director for Operations for the Unified Task Force in Somalia for Operation Restore Hope from 1992 to 1993. Also in 1993, he served as the Assistant to the U.S. Special Envoy to Somalia during Operation Continued Hope.

From 1994 to 1996, he served as the Commanding General, 1st Marine Expeditionary Force. In 1995, Zinni served as
Commander of the Combined Task Force for Operation United Shield, protecting the withdrawal of U.N. forces from Somalia.

From September 1996 to August 1997, Zinni served as the Deputy Commander in Chief, United States Central Command. His final tour was from August 1997 to September 2000 as the Commander in Chief, United States Central Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. He organized Operation Desert Fox, a series of airstrikes against Iraq during December 1998, with the objective of degrading Iraq’s weapons of mass destruction program.

During his military service career, General Zinni earned 23 personal awards and 37 unit, service and campaign awards, including the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, the Navy Distinguished Service Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Bronze Star with Combat “V” device, and the Purple Heart.

Since his retirement from the United States Marine Corps in 2000, Zinni has continued to serve his country in numerous diplomatic positions, to include the U.S. Peace Envoy in the Middle East and the Special Envoy to the Henri Dunant Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue (Indonesian, Philippines, & Sudan peace effort), and in missions to Pakistan, Somalia, Eritrea and Ethiopia.

General Zinni serves on the boards of several corporations, universities and other organizations. General Zinni has been President, CEO, and Chairman of the Board of BAE Systems, Inc. His term as Chairman was completed in May 2012, and he remains a board member. He also has served as a board member of DynCorp International before being appointed executive vice president within that organization. Since 2011, he has been a member of the board of the Peace Research Endowment. He also serves as Honorary Chairman of The Middle East Institute.

General Zinni has participated in numerous environmental security, defense, diplomacy and leadership studies and authored best sellers entitled Battle Ready and The Battle for Peace. His most recent book, Leading the Charge, was published in August 2009. He has held academic positions that include the Stanley Chair in Ethics at the Virginia Military Institute; the Nimitz Chair at the University of California, Berkeley; the Hofheimer Chair at the Joint Forces Staff College; and the Harriman Professorship of Government at the Reves Center for International Studies at the College of William and Mary. He is also a Distinguished Military Fellow of the Center for Defense Information, a part of the World Security Institute.

General Zinni graduated with a Bachelor’s degree in Economics from Villanova University, and holds Masters degrees in International Relations from Salve Regina College and in Management and Supervision from Central Michigan University, as well as honorary doctorates from Villanova University, The College of William & Mary and the Maine Maritime Academy.

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