

**CAL THOMAS COMMENTARY AUGUST 20, 2015**

**THE ARMY HAS ANNOUNCED THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME TWO FEMALE OFFICERS ARE ABOUT TO GRADUATE FROM THE EXCEPTIONALLY TOUGH RANGER COURSE. GOOD FOR THEM. THEY HAVE ACHIEVED A GOAL THAT IS DIFFICULT ENOUGH FOR MEN.**

**MEANWHILE, A NAVY ADMIRAL SAYS THE ELITE SEALS WILL BE OPEN TO WOMEN WHO CAN PASS ITS GRUELING TRAINING REGIMEN.**

**THE MILITARY HAS WITHHELD FACTS ABOUT WOMEN IN TRAINING AND COMBAT. ELAINE DONNELLY OF THE CENTER FOR MILITARY READINESS HAS ACQUIRED DOCUMENTS THROUGH THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT. THEY SHOW THE ARMY MEDICAL COMMAND COMPARED INJURIES TO MEN AND WOMEN SOLDIERS AND FOUND THAT FEMALES SUFFERED INJURIES DOUBLE THOSE OF MEN. IN SOME SPECIALTIES THE RATE WAS 133 PERCENT HIGHER THAN MEN.**

**THE MILITARY SHOULD NOT BE A SOCIAL SCIENCE LABORATORY. AMERICA IS HAVING A DIFFICULT ENOUGH TIME WINNING WARS AND KNOWING WHY WE FIGHT THEM. PRESIDENT OBAMA IS DOWNSIZING THE MILITARY AND RETREATING FROM THE WORLD. THERE IS ALSO THE ISSUE OF UNIT COHESIVENESS AND PRISONER OF WAR STATUS FOR WOMEN CAPTURED IN**

**COMBAT. BUT APPARENTLY POLITICS IS MORE IMPORTANT TO  
OUR CIVILIAN LEADERS THAN ANY OF THESE LEGITIMATE ISSUES.**

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