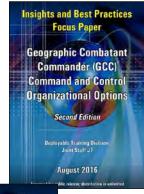
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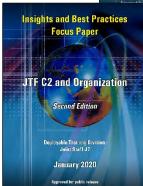
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# **Setting Conditions**







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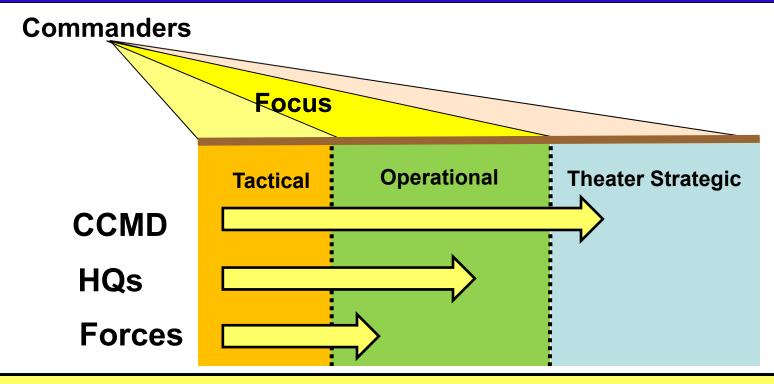
# Challenges

- Setting conditions for success
- Understanding roles in Globally Integrated Operations
- Incorporating risk in decision making
- Implementing Mission Command

<u>Command and Control</u>: The exercise of authority and direction by a properly designated commander over assigned and attached forces in the accomplishment of the mission.

- Joint Pub 1

# Setting Conditions for Success



### **Insights**

"Do those things that only you can do as the commander..."

- Build and maintain trust and inclusive relationships with partners
- Share visualization and intent, gain authorities and resources, assess, and plan / manage transitions
- Design C2 to accomplish the mission and evolve as necessary

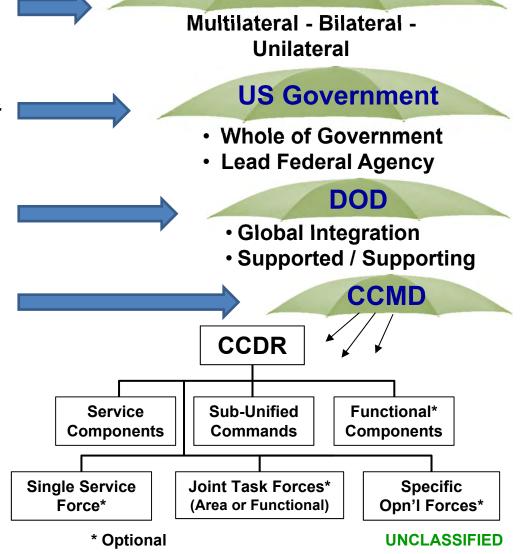
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# Understanding Your HQ's Role

- USG role relative to the international (and host nation) response
- US military role relative to the broader USG whole of government approach
- CCMD role relative to other DOD organizations (e.g., other CCMDs and Combat Support Agencies)
- Internal CCMD C2 options

### **Considerations**

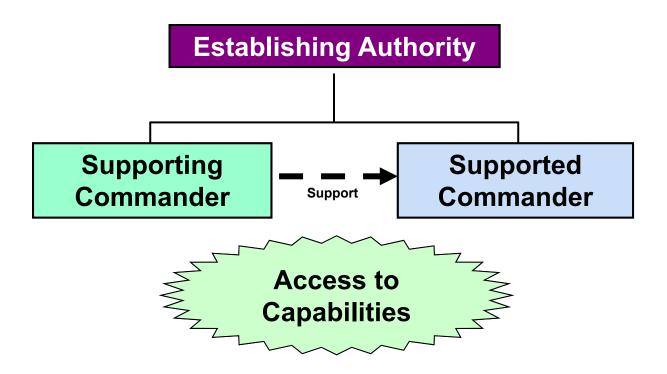
- Where do you fit?
- Who do you work with?
- How to organize?



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# Support Command Relationship

- Authorities and Responsibilities -

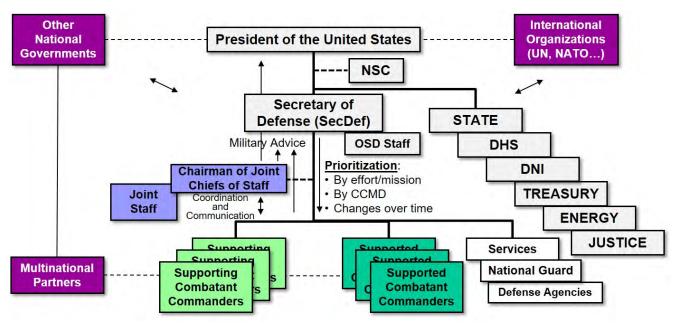


### **Insights**

- Emphasis on "access to" vs "ownership of" capabilities
- Establishing authority states desired effects, and clarifies authorities and priorities
- Empower and promote crosstalk. Will increase resilience, flexibility, and agility

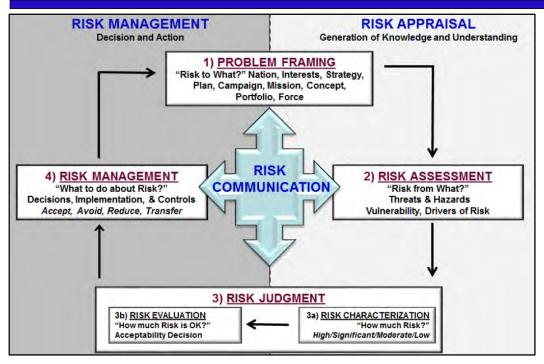
# Globally Integrated Operations

# - Supported / Supporting CCMDs



- Secretary of Defense: Authority, direction, and control over the Department of Defense
- Chairman: Synthesizes regional and functional perspectives on risk, options, and priorities. Principal military advisor to the SecDef and President
- Combatant Commanders:
  - ✓ Supported/ing Commanders: A Command authority. Multiple supported CCDRs for the respective mission sets
  - ✓ Coordinating Authority: For planning a delegated <u>consultative</u> authority for a problem set. In execution assesses global campaign and recommends changes
- Services: Force Readiness and Generation

# Risk



**CJCSM 3105.01** 

### **Risk Considerations**

- To what?
- From what?
- How long?
- Who owns it?

CCDRs own → Risk to Mission (UCP, OPLANS)

Risk to Strategy POTUS, SecDef, (NSS, NDS, NMS) Chairman own

**Risk Mitigation Options** 

### **Insights for Globally Integrated Operations**

- Understand the different perspectives on risk
- Risk informs mitigation options and priorities

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# **Mission Command**

# "Operating on intent through trust, empowerment, and understanding"

- CJCS

### **Definition**

The conduct of military operations through decentralized execution based on mission-type orders.

- Joint Pub 3-0

### **Attributes**

- ✓ Intent
- ✓ Understanding
- ✓ Trust

"Mission Command is essential at the operational and strategic level."

"Enables speed, agility, and decisiveness at the tactical level while providing the necessary decision space at the higher level for the up and out engagement to anticipate and set conditions."

- Senior Flag Officer

## Mission Command

- Challenges and Opportunities -
- In the broader Joint, Interagency, Multinational Environment -

# <u>Intent</u>

- Clarity in visualization / intent to subordinates
- Decentralization often decreases risk

# **Understanding**

- Sharing with a diverse group of partners
- Sharing with higher headquarters
- Sharing with subordinates

# <u>Trust</u>

- Gaining trust up, down, and across
- Maintaining trust through transitions and change

# Key Takeaways

- Senior leaders set conditions by building trust and sharing understanding
- Gain clarity and share understanding of your HQ's role and that of your partners
- Understand the aspects of <u>risk</u> in decisions
- Relationships between commanders are often more important than command relationships
- Set command relationships up front ... then flex

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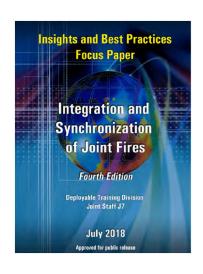
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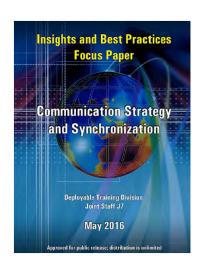
# Operations in the Information Environment



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# Challenges

- Accurate characterization of the Information Environment
- Understanding and affecting relevant actor behavior to benefit command objectives
- Developing organizations and processes that integrate whole-of-government capabilities and authorities
- Assessing lethal and nonlethal effects that achieve desired conditions

# Information Joint Function

The Information Joint Function is the intellectual organization of capabilities required to use information and apply "informational" power - JP 3-0

- Understand how information impacts the OE
- Support human and automated decision making
- Leverage information to affect behavior

DOD must evolve from a primary focus on executing its preferred method of warfare to one that incorporates information as a fundamental element of plans and operations.

- Secretary of Defense Mark T. Esper Senate Confirmation Hearing

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# Operational Environment

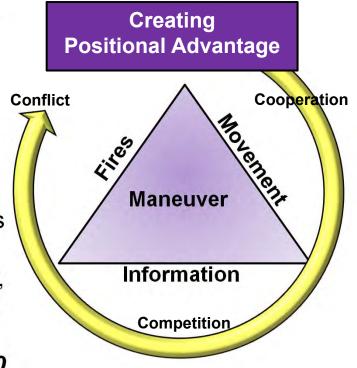
### **Operational Environment (OE)**

A composite of the conditions, circumstances, and influences that affect the employment of capabilities and bear on the decisions of the commander

### Information Environment (IE)

Comprises and aggregates numerous social, cultural, cognitive, technical, and physical attributes that act upon and impact knowledge, understanding, beliefs, world views, and, ultimately, actions of an individual, group, system, community, or organization

- JP 3-0



**Maneuver:** The employment of forces in the OE through movement in combination with fires and information to gain a position of advantage in respect to the enemy.

- JP 3-0

# Complexity of the Information Environment

### World View Drives Relevant Actor Behavior

Self Interest

Selection Bias

Societal Voice and Participation



Social Influence

Power Dynamics

**Values** 

### **Insights**

- Relevant actors are driven by self interests often competing with each other
- Technology advances have increased the speed and range to acquire, develop, and transfer information to generate influence
- Diffusion of information enables individuals and groups to enter into and affect the global forum

# Assessing Lethal and Nonlethal Effects

#### **Battle Damage Assessment** IE Assessment (U) Information Environment Estimate: Coverage of COVID-19 Relevant to Competition and Deterrence COVID-19 Narratives in Key Sources on U.S./NATO Perceptions of U.S. and Western vs. Russian European and Russian Media Operational Readiness and Chinese Agency against COVID-19 27 MAR - 03 APR 2020 Aid from Russia 25% 67% USS Roosevelt Commander Breit AldfromEU 18% NATO Secretary Ald from U.S 8% ■U.S./NATO ineffectiveness ■U.S./NATO Effectiveness European Media (142 artitles) **Placeholder** Media Environments Supportive of U.S. & Allies (27 MAR - 03 APR) Turkey and the Baltics were the top two media environments with COVID-19 coverage most supportive of U.S. and alked lines of effort. Turkish coverage focused on deliveries of Events Driving Top Narratives in Monitored Media NATO aid to Italy and Spain white Batic media exposed disinformation hostile to NATO. Top narratives included (1) Russia's promotion of what it characterized as aid to Italy and the U.S., and (2) EU negotiations. over relief packages. Media Environments Supportive of Competitors (27 MAR - 03 APR March 27: Media reporting on operational readiness spiked amid · Croatia and Russia were the top two media environments most supportive to China and

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Russia. Croatian media featured delivenes of aid from China, associating them with advances in Serbia-China relations, while Russia highlighted aid to Italy and the U.S.

uch media consistently covered Russia's promotion of its aid missions. NATO and the EU emerged as credible coordinators of COVID-19 aid

See notes for list of top narratives by country of media origin

Belarus did not directly support Chinese or Russian narratives, but via President Lükashenko spread theories about larger countries using the crisis to exploit small countries including

### **Insights**

reports NATO soldiers were infected with COVID in the Baltics.

United States

**European Commani** 

March 31 Media reported extensively on request to evacuate USS Roosevelf due to uncontrolled spread of COVID-19 onboard.

- Communicate guidance on desired behavioral change and enduring conditions
- · Targeting requires continuous assessment process to identify, develop, and affect targets to achieve desired enduring conditions
- Accurate assessment of behavioral change is a lengthy process
- Utilize whole-of-staff / government / coalition approach to gather metrics

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# Information is Commander's Business

- There are proven methods
- Every military action reflects in the IE
- Provide guidance on how you want to operate in the IE



- Understand how to deliberately affect the IE to gain-maintain positional advantage
- Build, exercise, train relationships with your interagency partners and allies

# Key Takeaways

- Consider how information is an essential element of maneuver to achieve positional advantages
- Anticipate what actions drive relevant actor behavior in the Information Environment
- Develop organizations that integrate all available means to achieve desired conditions
- Understand how Commander's guidance drives the assessment of lethal and nonlethal effects
- Operating in the Information Environment is the Commander's Business!

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#### SECRETARY OF DEFENSE 1000 DEFENSE PENTAGON WASHINGTON, DC 20301-1000

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SUBJECT: Information as a Joint Function

Information is such a powerful tool that it is recognized as an instrument of national power. The advent of the internet, the expansion of information technology, the widespread availability of wireless communications, and the far-reaching impact of social media have dramatically impacted operations and changed the character of modern warfare.

The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (CJCS) has issued an out-of-cycle change to Joint Publication 1, <u>Doctrine of the Armed Forces of the United States</u>, introducing <u>Information</u> as a new, seventh joint function. This change is consistent with the 2016 DoD Strategy for Operations in the Information Environment (SOIE) and the 2016 National Military Strategy. It signals a fundamental appreciation for the military role of information at the strategic, operational and tactical levels within today's complex operating environment.

The elevation of *Information* to a joint function impacts all operations and has implications across doctrine, organization, training, material, leadership and education, personnel, facilities, and policy that must be identified in the months ahead. These include the relationship with other joint functions, as well as the effects on planning and operations. The Under Secretary of Defense for Policy and the CJCS, as co-chairs of the SOIE Executive Steering Group, will lead efforts to examine implications and implement appropriate changes. I fully endorse this effort and expect support from across the Department.

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#### anchoring

#### The first thing you judge influences your judgment of all that follows.

Human minds are associative in nature, so the order in which we receive information helps determine the course of our ludgments and perceptions. Be especially mindful of this bias during negotiations.



#### confirmation bias

#### You favor things that confirm your existing beliefs.

We are primed to see and agree with ideas that fit our preconceptions, and to ignore and dismiss information that conflicts with them.

"The first principle is that you must not fool yourself - and you are the easiest person to fool." Richard Feynman



#### backfire effect

#### When your core beliefs are challenged, it can cause you to believe even more

We can experience being wrong about some ideas as an attack upon our very selves, or our tribal identity. This can lead to motivated reasoning which causes us to double-down, despite disconfirming evidence



#### declinism

#### You remember the past as better than it was, and expect the future to be worse than it will likely be.

Despite living in the most peaceful and prosperous time in history, many people believe things are getting worse. Use metrics such as Itle expectancy. levels of crime and violence, and prosperity statistics.



#### just world hypothesis

#### Your preference for a just world makes you presume that it exists.

A world in which people don't always get what they deserve is an uncomfortable one that threatens our preferred narrative. Try to remember that we're all fallible, and bad things happen to



#### sunk cost fallacy

#### You irrationally cling to things that have already cost you something.

When we've invested our time, money, or emotion into something. It hurts to let it go. Ask yourself: had I not already invested something, would I still



### dunning-kruger

#### The more you know, the less confident you're likely to be.

Because experts know just how much they don't know, they tend to underestimate their ability; but it's easy to be over-confident when you have only a simple idea of how things are.



#### barnum effect

#### You see personal specifics in vague statements by filling in the gaps.

Psychics, astrologers and others use this bias to make it seem like they're telling you something relevant. Consider how things might be interpreted to apply to anyone, not just you

You allow yourself to be unduly

influenced by context and delivery.

Only when we have the intellectual humility to

accept the fact that we can be manipulated, can

in-group bias

We presume that we're fair and impartial, but the

compensate by imagining strangers to be family.

most like us, or belong to our groups. Try to

truth is that we automatically favor those who are

we hope to limit how much we are. Try to be

mindful of how things are being put to you.

framing effect



#### fundamental attribution error

#### You judge others on their character, but yourself on the situation.

It's not only kind to view others' situations with charity, it's more objective too. Be mindful to also err on the side of taking personal responsibility rather than tustifying and blaming



#### placebo effect

#### You unfairly favor those who belong to If you believe you're taking medicine it can sometimes 'work' even if it's fake.

The placebo effect can work for stuff that our mind influences (such as pain) but not so much for things like viruses or broken bones. Keep a healthy body and bank balance by using evidence-based medicine from a qualified doctor



KNOW THYSELF

#### halo effect

#### How much you like someone, or how attractive they are, influences your other judgments of them.

If you notice that you're giving consistently high or low marks across the board, it's worth considering that your judgment may be suffering from the



#### bystander effect

#### You presume someone else is going to do something in an emergency situation.

When something terrible is happening in a public setting we can experience a kind of shock and mental paralysis. Presume to be the one who



#### availability heuristic

#### Your judgments are influenced by what springs most easily to mind.

How recent, emotionally powerful, or unusual your memories are can make them seem more relevant. This, in turn, can cause you to apply them. too readily. Try to gain different perspectives and source statistical information.



#### belief bias

#### If a conclusion supports your existing beliefs, you'll rationalize anything that

It's difficult for us to set aside our existing beliefs to consider the true merits of an argument. In practice this means that our ideas become impervious to criticism, and are perpetually reinforced.



#### groupthink

#### You let the social dynamics of a group situation override the best outcomes.

Dissent can be uncomfortable and dangerous to one's social standing, and so often the most confident or first voice will determine group decisions



#### optimism bias

#### You overestimate the likelihood of positive outcomes.

There can be benefits to a positive attitude, but it's unwise to allow this to affect our ability to be realistic. If you make rational judgments you'll have a lot more to feel positive about.



#### reactance

#### You'd rather do the opposite of what someone is trying to make you do.

When we feel our liberty is being constrained, our inclination is to testst, however in doing so we can over-compensate. Wisdom springs from reflection,



#### curse of knowledge

#### Once you understand something you presume it to be obvious to everyone.

When teaching someone something new go slow and explain like they're ten years old (without being patronizing). Repeat key points and facilitate active practice to help embed knowledge.



### self-serving

#### You believe your failures are due to external factors, yet you're personally responsible for your successes.

Many of us enjoy unearned privileges, tuck and advantages that others do not. It's easy to tell ourselves that we deserve these things, whilst blaming circumstance when things don't go our way.



#### negativity bias

#### You allow negative things to disproportionately influence your thinking.

The pain of loss and hurt are felt more keenly and persistently than the fleeting gratification of pleasant things. We are primed for survival, and our aversion to pain can distort our judgment for a



### pessimism bias

#### You overestimate the likelihood of negative outcomes.

Pessimism is often a defense mechanism against disappointment. Perhaps the worst aspect of pessimism is that even if something good happens. you'll probably feel pessmistic about it anyway.



#### spotlight effect

#### You overestimate how much people notice how you look and act.

Instead of worrying about how you're being judged, consider how you make others feel. They'll remember this much more, and you'll make the world a better place

# 24 cognitive biases stuffing up your thinking

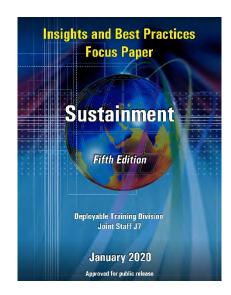
Cognitive biases make our judgments irrational. We have evolved to use shortcuts in our thinking, which are often useful, but a cognitive bias means there's a kind of misfiring going on causing us to lose objectivity. This poster has been designed to help you identify some of the most common biases and how to avoid falling victim to them. Help people become aware of their biases generally by sharing the website yourbias.is or more specifically e.g. yourbias.is/confirmation-bias

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# Sustainment

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# Challenges

- Balancing global and theater-level considerations to set and sustain the theater
- Anticipating requirements in an uncertain, complex, rapidly changing and contested operating environment
- Leveraging Global Providers that are part of the Joint Logistics Enterprise to ensure rapid and precise response for the Joint Force Commander
- Integrating and synchronizing joint / combined capabilities to support the concept of operations

# The What... Global Strategic Environment















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"Globally Integrated Operations is the concept for how the Joint Force should prepare for the security environment we will soon face....Globally integrated operations both enable and are premised upon Global Agility."

# The Who... Joint Logistics Enterprise (JLEnt)



### <u>Insights</u>

- Understand authorities, goals, and limitations of other JLEnt partners
- Establish relationships and build trust before a crisis occurs
- Capitalize on and leverage stakeholder capabilities and resources
- Be prepared to provide support to other JLEnt partners

# The How... Global Sustainment Considerations



### <u>Insights</u>

- Access requirements may extend beyond a given AOR
- Understand what critical resources other CCMDs will require and how that will impact your mission (e.g., OCS, Medical Assets, additional Forces)
- Engage the Joint Staff early to adjudicate limited global resources

# Key Takeaways

- Balance global and theater level considerations to set and sustain the theater
- Anticipating requirements (contested logistics)
- Leverage the Joint Logistics Enterprise to ensure rapid and precise response for the Joint Force Commander
- Integrate sustainment capabilities to support joint force requirements

"You will not find it difficult to prove that battles, campaigns, and even wars have been won or lost primarily because of logistics."

- General Dwight D. Eisenhower

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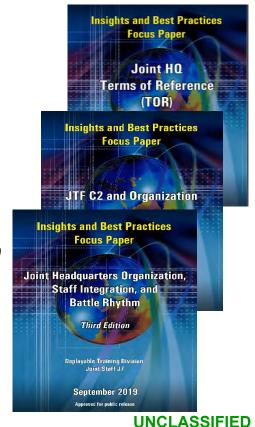
# HQ Organization and Process Insights



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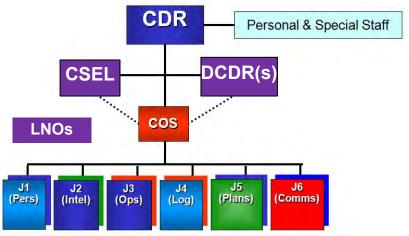
# Challenges

- Organizing to accomplish the joint mission
- Developing processes within a complex organization to operate at the speed of relevance
- Integrating joint, multinational, and interagency mission partners into the HQ structure and processes

# Organizing - Roles and Responsibilities

### **J-Code Structure Organization**

(Preferred organizational structure)



\* Above organization structure is greatly simplified for illustrative purposes only

### **Considerations**

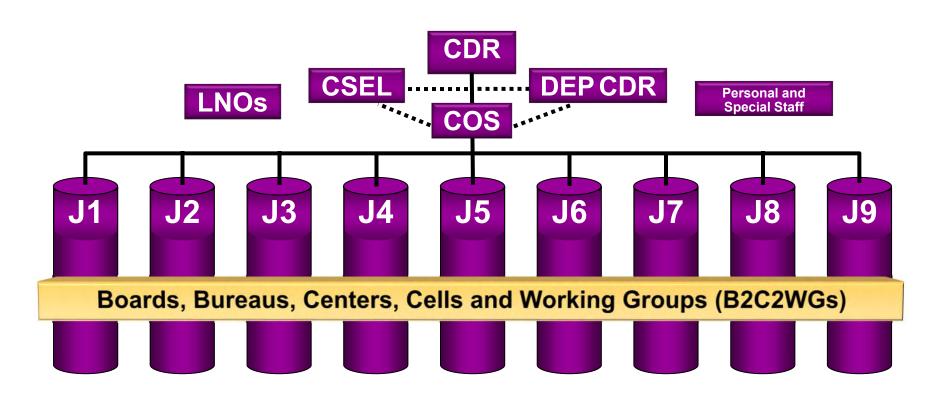
- Mission requirements drive HQ functions, organization, and processes
- Agility vs. size of HQ
- Terms of Reference for key personnel
- Liaison network
- Clear roles and responsibilities needed for:
  - Assessment
  - Design
  - Integration of lethal and nonlethal effects
  - Narrative and Engagement
  - Reports to Higher HQ
  - Knowledge Management
  - Interagency Coordination

### **Insights**

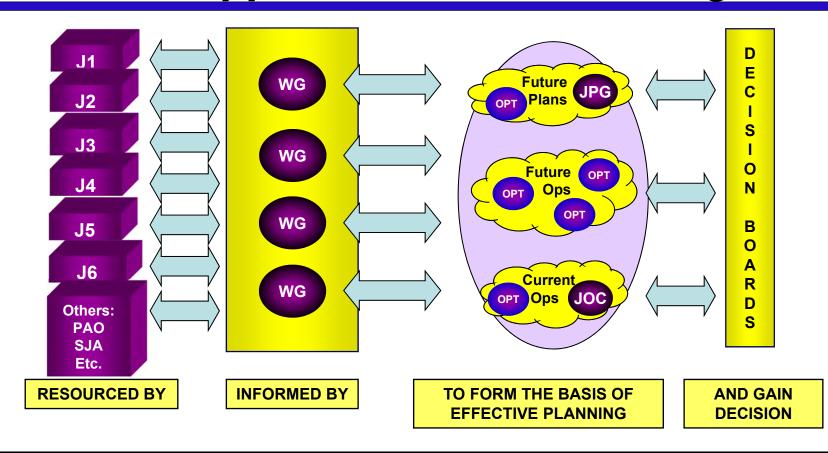
- · Maintain Commander-centric vs. staff-centric focus
- Be able to respond to crisis while retaining agility to plan and execute other missions
- Account for the transregional and multi-domain nature of operations

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# Staff Integration



# Staff Interaction in Support of Decision Making



### **Insights**

- Force cross-functional integration to improve staff support for the Commander
- Provide venues for Commander's "touch points" and command decisions
- COS is the staff synchronizer and manages the battle rhythm

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# CJTF-OIR Commander Decision Making

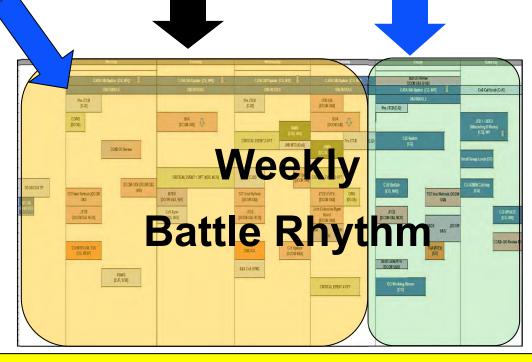
Commander time for engagement, dialogue, battlefield circulation

Staff preparation and empowered DCOMlevel steering Commander assessment, guidance, and decision forums



Resulting in enhanced situational awareness

- SecDef
- CJCS
- CENTCOM
- IZ PM, MOD, MOI
- ISF
- TU PM, CHOD
- US EMB
- AMB McGurk
- CJFLCC-OIR
- SOJTF-OIR
- CFACC
- And others...



### <u>Insights</u>

- White space is critical to enabling decision making
- Battle Rhythm must be nested with HHQ and partners

# Integration with Mission Partners



### **Insights**

- Leverage CCDR to acquire formal support
  - Early coordination / integration

# Key Takeaways

- Clear roles and responsibilities are needed to operate at the speed of relevance
- Effective staff integration enables shared understanding that supports decision making
- Early integration of all partners into the HQ is critical to achieve a comprehensive approach

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Commander's Decision Cycle Other inputs: Stakeholders: **National / Embassy National / Embassy Unity of Effort** Int'l Interests Int'l Interests JOC **Higher Headquarters Higher Headquarters** Components **Supporting Commanders** Other Intel **Regional Contacts NGOs Perceptions Assessments** CCIR **Monitor** Coordinated Requests **Orders Periodic** Other **Daily Decision Direct** Assess Communicate Update **Fuller** Assessment **Boards** Assessment **Values** Assessment | Commander's Assessment Design Design Plan **Guidance & Planning** Intent Current Supported by: **OPS Coordinated with:** B2C2WGs **Higher Headquarters Staff Estimates** Future OPS **Future** Components **Plans** Components **Key Mission Partners Key Mission Partners** 

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