

MULTI-NATIONAL CORPS IRAQ - OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES

AS OF 2 SEP 2007 (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) (b)(7)(D)

CORPS MAIN EFFORT: MND-BAGHDAD

DECISIVE OPERATION: SECURE BAGHDAD

MNC-I MISSION
MNC-I conducts combat and stability operations in coordination with the Iraqi Security Forces to secure the population, defeat terrorists and irreconcilable extremists, neutralize insurgent and militia groups, and transition responsibilities to the ISF in order to reduce violence, gain the support of the people, stabilize Iraq, and enable GOI security self-reliance. NLT December 2007, we will establish improved stability and create irreversible momentum, leading to wide-ranging political accommodation and sustainable security by Spring 2008 and to the ultimate goal of self-reliance in the longer term.

PURPOSE: The purpose of our operations is to bring stability to Iraq and then to sustain it in order to create time and space for the Iraqis to make progress toward political accommodation, continued political and economic development, and ultimately self-reliance. We accomplish this first by securing the population of Iraq, with priority to Baghdad, followed by the nine strategic cities and the rest of the country. Additionally, we must continue to support the development of a capable GOI and ISF so that both are viewed as legitimate and credible in the eyes of Iraqis. In order to sustain stability over time, we help build governmental capacity, strengthen GOI legitimacy, reduce sectarian behavior in Iraqi security institutions, and deliberately transition security responsibilities to the ISF as they demonstrate appropriate readiness to assume them. All of this leads to Iraqi self-reliance, creating the conditions for a peaceful, stable Iraq, led by a representative government subscribing to the rule of law, able to provide security for its people, and denying its territory as a terrorist safe haven.

TIMELINE EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TOA
16-Sep-07	132SBCT TO PCR SBCT TOA	TOA
9-Oct-07	1325BD TO 1 MMTR TOA	TOA
26-Oct-07	154MM TO 528FSB TOA	TOA
27-Oct-07	134ZABM TO 1 101AA TOA	TOA
1-Nov-07	2 438MM TOA	TOA
3-Nov-07	2 7MMTR TO 3 101AA TOA	TOA
18-Nov-07	2 110 TO 2 101AA TOA	TOA
24-Nov-07	1 438MM TOA	TOA
2-Dec-07	14 328MM TO 4 101 TOA	TOA

20 U.S. BCT Set
Disposition of Forces at Completion of Plus-Up -15 June 2007

Key Tasks:
Protect the population
Facilitate reconciliation
Defeat AQI and extremists
Continue to develop ISF capacity
Assist efforts to build and improve GOI capacity
Protect the Force

Endstate: In the near term, an improved level of stability is achieved; the population is secure and conditions are set for the restoration of civil authority in Iraq, with priority to Baghdad; sectarian violence is reduced and militia influence is diminished. GOI legitimacy is enhanced as the Iraqi government demonstrates increased ability to provide security, essential services, justice based on the rule of law, and economic opportunity for all Iraqis. Iraqi Security Forces, while continuing to build capacity, are in the lead - for the most part - with CF in tactical or operational overwatch. AQI and other extremists are neutralized and under persistent CF and ISF pressure. Their freedom of action is limited, and their operations are unable to disrupt progress toward political accommodation where cessanties exist. In the longer term, Iraq is self-reliant and politically stable with the institutions and resources it needs to govern justly, secure from internal and external threats, inaccessable as a safe haven for terrorists, and integrated into the international community as an engine for regional economic growth.

CULTURAL EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TOA
13-Sep-07	Ramadan begins	CULTURAL
22-Sep-07	Death of Khadija, first wife of Muhammad	CULTURAL
28-Sep-07	Battle of Balah	CULTURAL
3-Oct-07	Death of the 1st Imam	CULTURAL
9-Oct-07	Lahat al Qade revelation to Muhammad	CULTURAL
6-11-Oct-07	Id + for Shia and 99+ for Sunni	CULTURAL
13-15 Oct-07	Eid al-Fitr Feast at end of Ramadan	CULTURAL

C3 PLANNING PRIORITIES

FUOPS (C3)

1. FFS Replacement Program
2. Infrastructure Repair and Security
3. Op Silver Raven Enhance POE Capabilities
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5. I&AP Inspection/Maintn Actions

PLANS & POLICY (C3)

- 1. Anbar Forum II
- 2. MND-N Samarra Mosque Security Force
- 3. National ID Card System
- 4. NDE Enablers
- 5. FFS

PLANS & POLICY (C3)

- 1. Operation Phantom Thunder
- 2. Operation Phantom Strike
- 3. MNC Shia Engagement Strategy
- 4. Transition of IA Divisions
- 5. Conducting Significant Operations EFP
- 6. MNC-1 RFF #45 Exchange SECFOR
- 7. MNC-1 RFF #56 Riverine JUDONS
- 8. MNC-1 RFF #140 Aviation Task Force
- 9. Build POE Capability-Border Strategy
- 10. Operation Phantom Hammer
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- 12. MNC-1 RFF #45 Exchange SECFOR
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Force Flow

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