

MULTI-NATIONAL CORPS IRAQ - OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES

SECURITY INFORMATION (b)(7)(C) (b)(7)(D) (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(F)

AS OF 15 AUG 2007

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.

Key Tasks:
Protect the population
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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.

TIMELINE EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TOA
16-Sep-07	12ZSBLT TO 2:30 SBLT TOA	TOA
9-Oct-07	12ZSBLT TO 1:00MTR TOA	TOA
27-Oct-07	13ZABN TO 1:00MTR TOA	TOA
31-Oct-07	04HMI TO 5ZSBSFS	TOA
3-Nov-07	2:10MTR TO 3:10HAA TOA	TOA
18-Nov-07	2:100 TO 2:10HAA TOA	TOA
2-Dec-07	1:425ABN TO 4:30 TOA	TOA

CULTURAL EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TOA
22-Aug-07	Occulation of the 12th Imam	CHL TOA
23-Aug-07	UNL original Fatwa against US (1996)	CHL TOA
29-Aug-07	Birth of the 12th Imam	CHL TOA
13-Sep-07	Ramadan begins	CHL TOA
22-Sep-07	Death of Khadija, first wife of Muhammad	CHL TOA
29-Sep-07	Death of Ebu	CHL TOA
3-Oct-07	Death of the 1st Imam	CHL TOA
9-Oct-07	1st al of Gade revelation to Muhammad	CHL TOA
12-Oct-07	Ramadan ends	CHL TOA
13-15 Oct-07	Eid al Fitr Feast at end of Ramadan	CHL TOA

Potential PIC Dates

DATE	EVENT	TOA
15-Sep-07	Karbala PIC	5-Sep-07
15-Sep-07	Udayyah PIC	16-Sep-07
15-Oct-07	Bahat PIC	Oct-07
15-Oct-07	Bahat PIC	Nov-07
15-Oct-07	Wahab PIC	Dec-07
15-Dec-07	Nowroz PIC	Dec-07
15-Dec-07	Shah Al Im PIC	Dec-07
15-Jan-08	Buyala PIC	Mar-08
11-Jun-09	Rasheed PIC	Jun-09
18-Jun-09	Al Jubay PIC	Jan-08
11-Jul	Kadun NET Article 140 Referendum	Jan 140 Ref

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

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C3 PLANNING PRIORITIES

FUOPS (C3)

1. FPS Replacement Program
2. Infrastructure Repair and Security
3. Support to DV and Tier Personnel
4. Enhance POE Capabilities
5. 3rd RPT TOA

PLANS & POLICY (C37)

6. BIAP Mitigation Plan for Global Security Strike
7. MND-N Samarra Mosque Security Force
8. National ID Card System
9. BIAP Remove JAM Influences
10. Diyala Siemars, Basrah Ops Centers
11. Operation Phantom Thunder
12. Operation Phantom Strike
13. Joint Campaign Plan
14. Future Rotations
15. MNC-I Risk Engagement Strategy
16. MNC-I RFF 856 Riverine
17. Build PCE Capability
18. Establishment of judicial Complexes
19. IP Way Ahead
20. MNC-I RFF Aviation Task Force

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