

Notes from Monday Night MNC-I BUA 041730 FEB 08

CG Comments on:

LTG Odierno took the briefing tonight.

LTG Austin was present for the brief

INTEL: Brief focused on mosque monitoring and sermon themes
No questions/comments

SWO: No questions/comments

MEDIA: No questions/comments

OPERATIONS: No questions/comments

IGFC: No questions/comments

MND-N:

LTG O: Concerned on the media reports concerning the Police Chief in the Baquba area and reports of incidents that have gotten my attention as well. One where the police chief cleansed a site before we could down there and see what really happened. Are we conducting any type of investigation or do we have any reports on him; are we doing any type of assessment? What I am worried about is the actual actions of the police chief. What I am after is a true assessment of that Police Chief.

Iron 5: Wilco sir. Will send you what we have as an assessment tonight.

MND-NE: No questions/comments

MND-W: No comments. Brief interrupted by technology failure

MND-B:

LTG O: Monitor how well these new IPs are integrated and accepted into the Iraqi Police Forces they will be joining and the integration into their new duty stations and hometowns

IH5: Wilco

MND-C: No questions/comments

MND-CS: No questions/comments

MND-SE: No questions/comments

CJSOTF: No questions/comments

316 ESC: No questions/comments

FIRES: No questions/comments

ALO: No questions/comments

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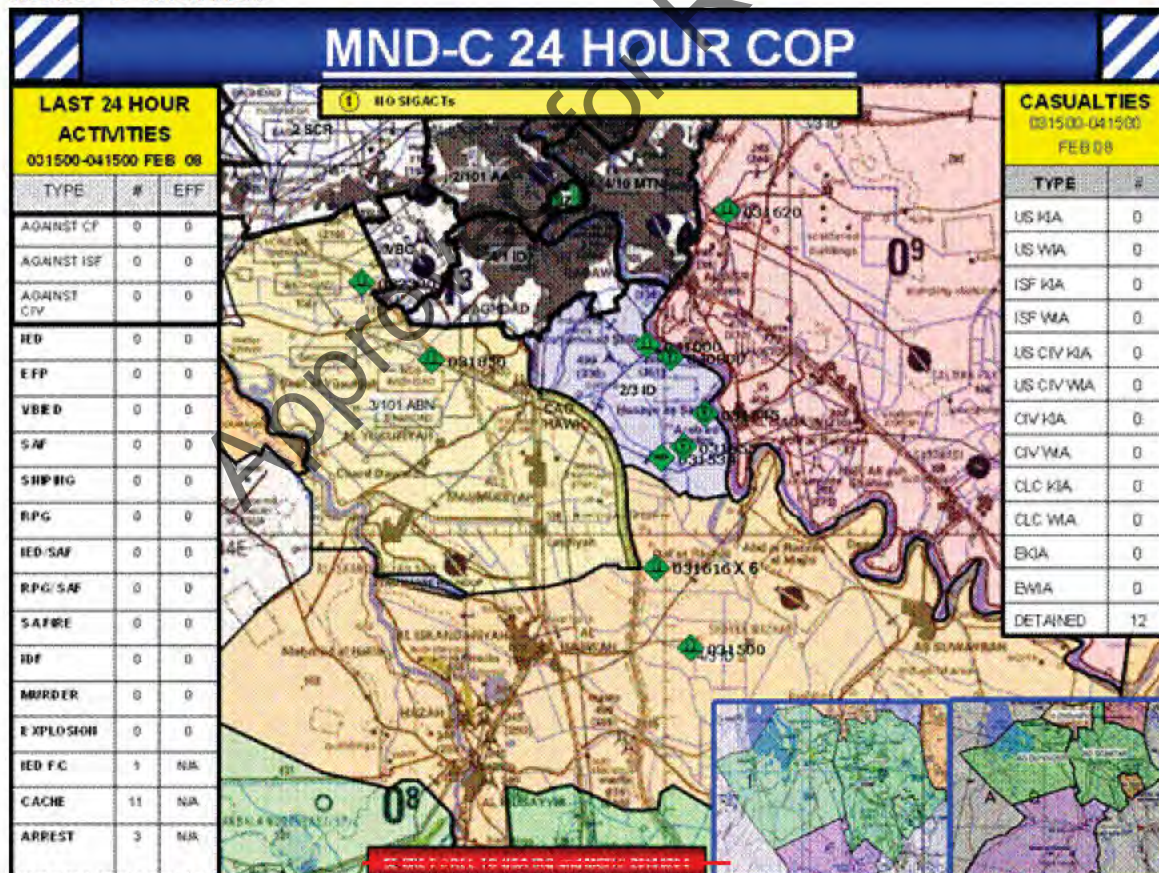
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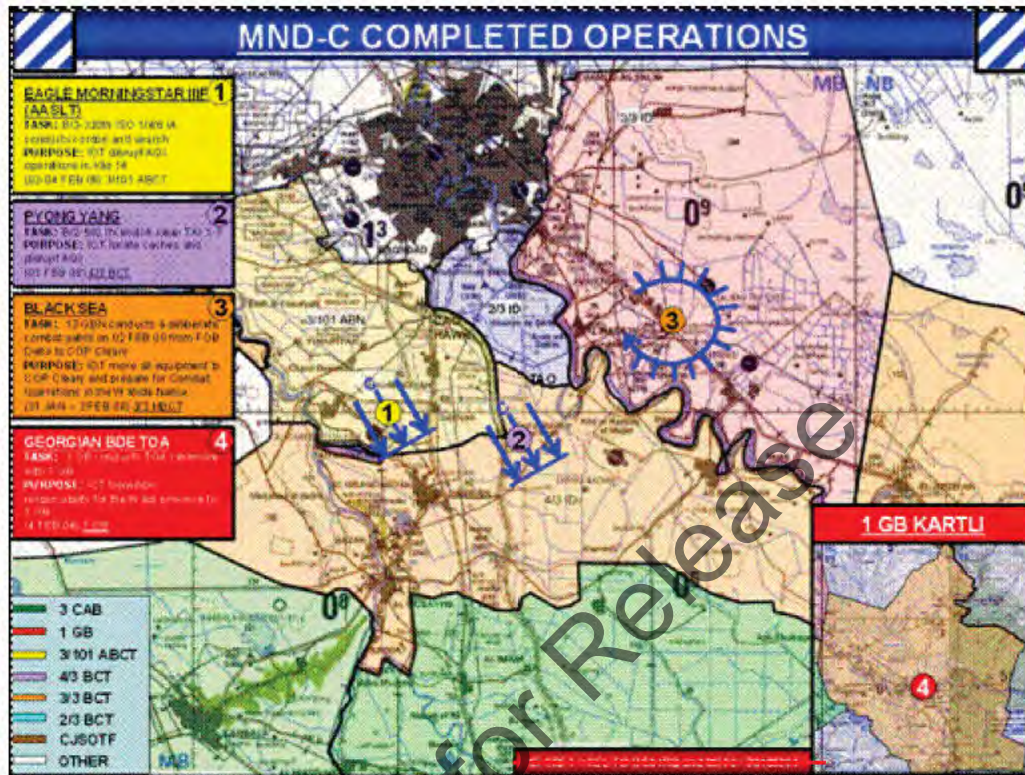
Mahdawiyah groups. Mahdawiyah groups were heavily chastised by imams as imposters and un-Islamic. A Shi'a imam in Hussaniyah, Baghdad informed his parishioners about the group's ideological beliefs, which include their obsession with the return of the 12th Imam, and claimed these groups have nothing to do with religion, but are merely political movements with political agendas. Many imams continued to comment on the Sol and Awakening movements. One Sunni imam in Tarmiyah, Baghdad stated that Sol members must perform their duties and persuaded them away from joining terror groups. He asked Sol members not to worry about salaries, and pointed to an example where 230 Sol members walked away from their job due to salary issues. Other imams continued to praise the efforts of Sol members for their role in improving security. Some imams commented on the fire at the Central Bank of Iraq, with some imams believing that money was stolen and the fire served as a cover to the theft. Several imams remained critical for perceived Gol failures, primarily regarding lack of services, poor economic growth, and lack of initiative with reconciliation and reconstruction initiatives, which most imams believed was essential in establishing long-term stability.

Next Friday's sermons will likely focus on continued comment on Ashura related topics, as well as continued mention of the Gol, Sols, Mahdawiyahs and returning IDPs.

MND-C Marne:



Last 24 hours 11 total events with no reportable SIGACTs. There were no reported attacks during the reporting period.



(COMPLETED OPERATIONS)

In the last 24 hours we have completed 4 operations.

3/101 ABCT

Yesterday, 3/101 BCT, in coordination with 4/6 IA, completed Operation EAGLE MORNINGSTAR 3 FOXTROT, an air assault to cordon and search the Kilometers 14 region southwest of Mahmudiyah to disrupt AQI operations. The operation detained 8 individuals.

3/3 HBCT

Yesterday, 3/3 BCT completed Operation BLACK SEA, the movement of 13th Georgian Infantry Battalion to COP CLEARLY in preparation for Combat Operations in the Wahida Nahia in support of Operation MARNE GRAND SLAM.

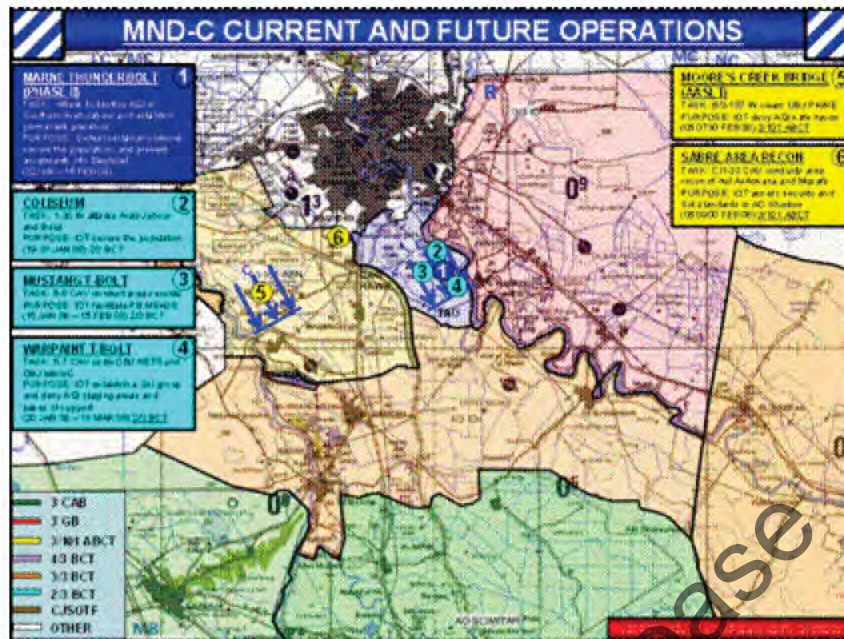
1 Georgian Brigade

Today, 1 Georgian Brigade completed its Transfer of Authority ceremony with 3 GB at FOB DELTA and now is the battle space owner in AO KARTLI in Wasit province.



OPERATION PATRIOT OPSUM

Yesterday 4/3 BCT, in coordination with 2/8 IA, continued to set the conditions for Operation MARNE RUGGED by completing Operation PATRIOT, a 1.4c clearance operation northeast of Haswah. The operation, near MSR TAMPA, was to destroy caches in order to disrupt AQI operations. The operation resulted in the discovery and destruction of 2 x IEDs and 6 x Caches which included: 1,000 x Anti-personnel mines, 20 x 82mm mortar rounds, 15 x 60mm mortar rounds, and 10 x 155mm High Explosive projectiles.

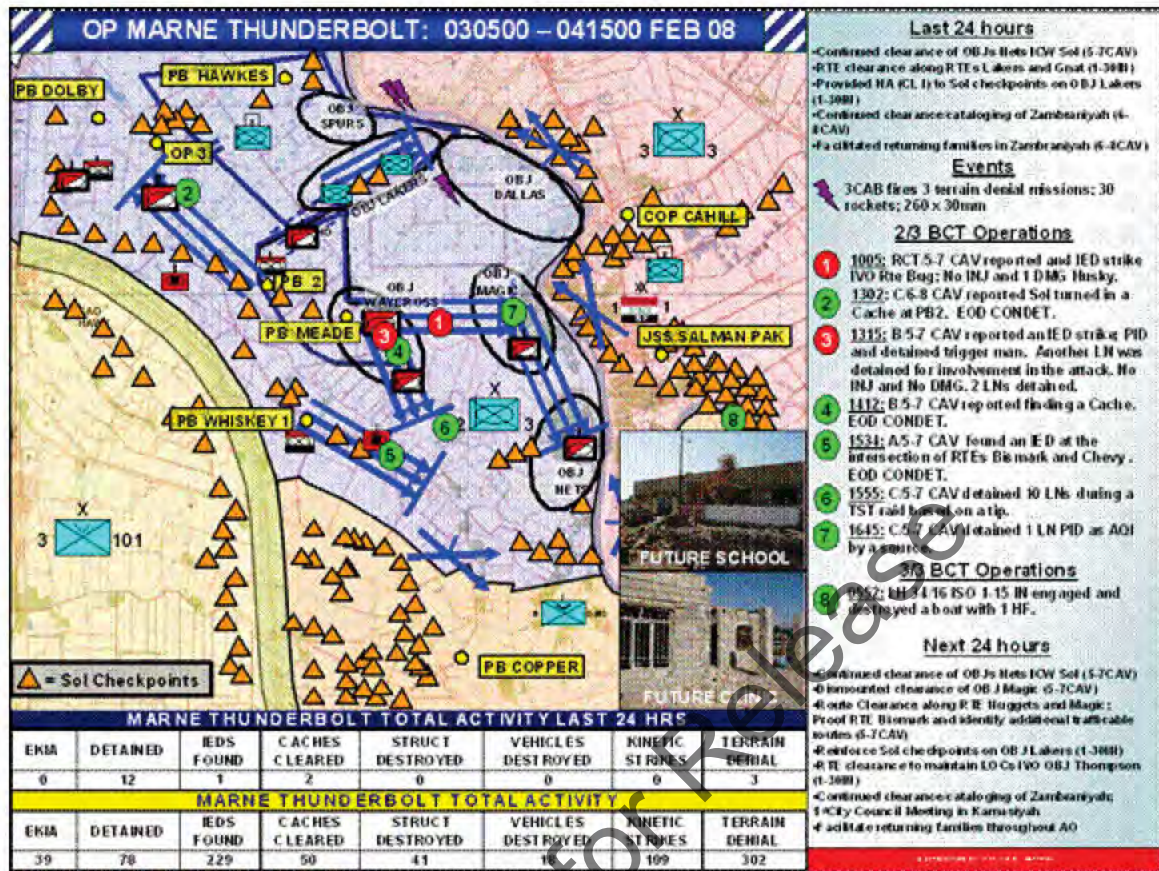


(CURRENT AND FUTURE OPERATIONS)

MND-Center units have 4 ongoing operations and 2 future operations.

3/101 ABCT

Tomorrow, 3/101 BCT will conduct Operation MOORE'S CREEK BRIDGE an air assault clearance operation west of Yusifiyah in order to deny AQI safe haven. Later tomorrow, 3/101 BCT will also conduct Operation SABRE AREA RECON in Hal Al-Askaria and Musafir north of Mahmudiyah to assess security and inspect standards at Sons of Iraq Check Points.



(MARNE THUNDERBOLT)

MARNE THUNDERBOLT, PHASE II (Decisive Operations), continues as 5-7 CAV, the Main Effort, continues to secure Sayafiyah. The future Sayafiyah school and clinic have been identified. Additionally, 2/3 BCT detained 12 x individuals and cleared 1 x IED. Throughout Arab Jabour, over 2,000 internally displaced persons have returned to their homes. Patrol Base MEADE construction is currently 72% complete. Along the Tigris River, 3/3 BCT in cooperation with 1/1 National Police, continues interdiction operations employing Scout Weapons Teams.

SONS OF IRAQ BECOME IRAQI POLICE AT CAMP FIJI

MARINE FORTITUDE II Creating the conditions for Iraq's self-reliance

UNIT: 3/101, 65 MP CO, MMD IP District,
720 MP BN, 716 MP BN, 18 MP BDE

WHO: Marne 66, Rakkasan 66, Gauntlet
6, BG Abed (MMD IP District CDR), 65
MP CO CDR, PMO

SUMMARY:

- 21 Jan 08: 275 IP recruits received, vetted and transported by 65 MP CO from Yusifiyah JSS to Camp Fiji
- 22 Jan: Training of IP recruits begins
- 02-1000 Feb 08: BG Abed (MMD IP District CDR), BG Samir (Khark Directorate CDR) and MG Khadim (Baghdad PDoP CDR) arrive
- 1100-1200: Graduation Ceremony occurs. MG Khadim speaks to new recruits
- 1200: Ceremony ends, recruits march off parade grounds
- 1230: BG Abed departs to Khark Directorate to discuss future MMD IP recruit training
- 1245: 263 New MMD District Iraqi Police board busses for transportation to Yusifiyah JSS

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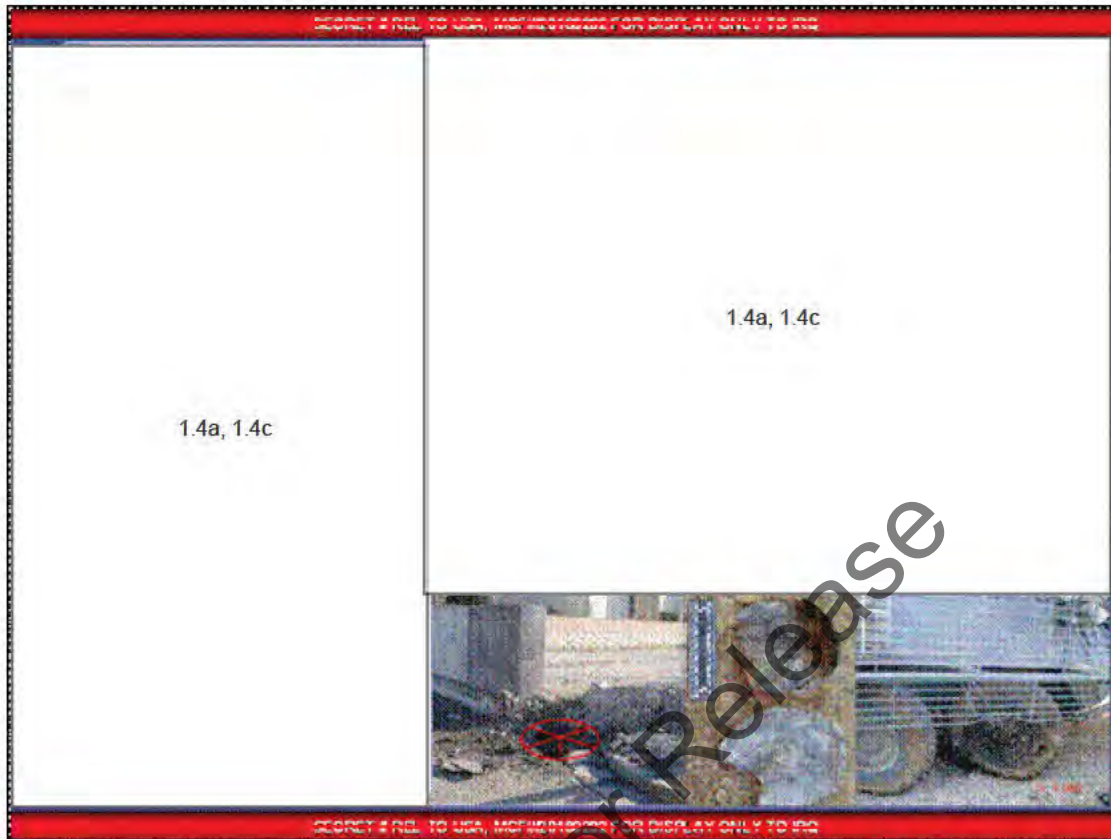
- This area is likely a staging point used by AQI prior to planned attacks



(EVENT 04 0636 // IDF – ROCKET // KADAMIYAH / VBC)

This morning, VBC was targeted with IDF from a historic POO in Kadamiyah with no BDA

- AWT and ISR were directed to investigate the POO site.
- Two vehicles were tracked leaving the POO, but later lost in the area.
- The two rounds were radar acquired and C-RAM activated the alarm.
- Phalanx could not engage as the path was outside its firing area.
- This attack may be in retaliation for TST operations conducted against SG's during the reporting period in muhalla's near the POO.



(EVENT 03 1548 // EVENT 04 1202 // MSR PLUTO)

In the last 24 hours, we've had two IED attacks against route clearance assets that are attributed to Special Groups cell in the Rusafa and New Baghdad SD's.

- The southern IED was an EFP that caused a mobility kill on a STRYKER.
- The northern IED was composed of pounds of HME that caused minor damage to 2 X Huskies.
- There were no serious injuries in either attack.

There is one slight change to our near term assessment. We expect an increase of Special Group activity. Reliable reporting indicates the influx of Special Group leadership that has not maintained an adherence to MAS freeze. This applies specifically to Northern portion of West Rashid.

There are no other significant changes.

[OPS UPDATE]

Since the last update, MND-B conducted eight company level operations. Of note:

2/101AA conducted a TST raid in Khadimiyah that resulted in the capture of the target and 4x detainees. The target, Abbas Al Kinani, is part of a Special Groups IED cell in the Shulla area.

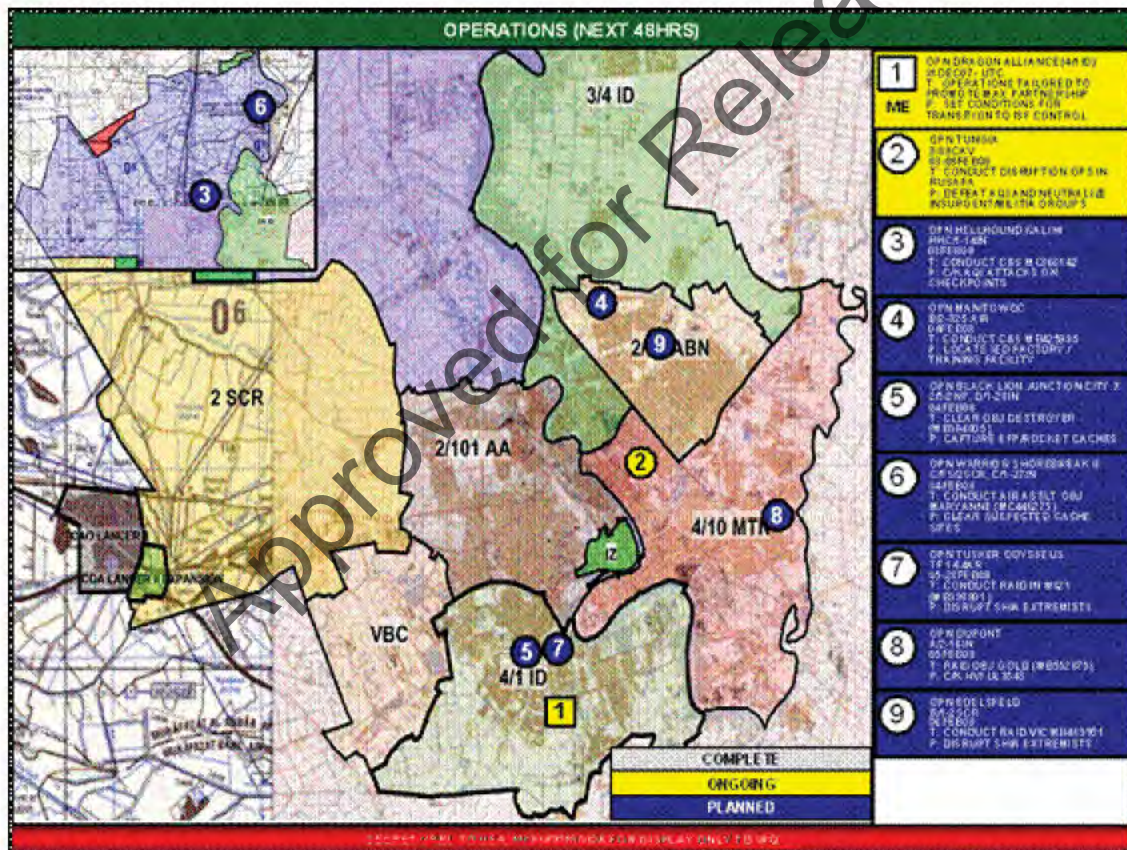
4/3ID conducted a TST raid in Adhamiyah that captured Abu Hamza, a Shia Extremist Company Commander in control of Hayy Qahira. Abu Hamza was collecting information

on IA leaders belonging to 3/1/11 IA IOT organize an operation to kidnap and murder any IA leadership and their families.

4/10MTN conducted OPN DUNHAM, a raid targeting a Rogue JAM Company CDR in Karadah. The operation resulted the detention of the target, Jafar Jiyad, and may provide additional information on RJAM operations, structure, and other targets.

2/101AA conducted a TST raid in Adhamiyah that resulted in the capture a BN level target. Tariq Jumah Ubaid Al Badari is assessed to be the Dolai JAM Special Groups commander. He has reportedly been involved in IEDs, EJKs, eviction of local national from their homes, and extortion. His detention will disrupt JAM SG's in Hayy Huriya.

In the north, 2/25ID conducted OPN ROCK SHORE BREAK I, an air assault raid to clear an area of AQI caches. The operation resulted in 1x Cache (various small arms).



MND-B is targeting AQI through OPNs KALIH and WARRIOR SHOREBREAK II in the north and JUNCTION CITY X in West Rashid.

Continued disruption of Special Groups will occur through OPNs TUSKER ODYSSEUS, DUPONT, MANITOWOC, and EDELSFELD.

Additionally, 4/10MTN is conducting OPN TUNISIA, targeting multiple locations in Rusafa suspected of being used by black marketers. As of 1540, there was nothing significant to report.



Tonight's good news story comes from the Camp Fiji IP Academy.

On 02 Feb 08, the Sons of Iraq leaders from Jamia, Adl, and Khadra attended the first Sons of Iraq class to graduate from the IP Academy at Camp Fiji.

The graduation was well rehearsed and included a demonstration of the skills that the new IPs learned during the two-week class.

MG Qadim of the Karkh District addressed the new IPs during the ceremony, saying "This is a proud day for Iraq and her sons."

This event is an enormous step forward in the progress of the Iraqi government and security forces. These new IPs will work in their own hometowns, giving them added incentive to stay vigilant. The new graduates are dedicated, professional, and stand ready to secure their neighborhoods and their nation.

counter mobility obstacles near the COP to degrade the AQIZ/ISI maneuverability approaching the COP.

(6) In Tal Afar the ISWAT being advised by an ODA Team had conducted OPN Avalanche which was a 1.4c raid early morning Sunday. Reflections from ODA interpreters reported that as the team returned, they were greeted by a number of LNs along the road thanking them for their actions. The assessment through ODA reports is that the ISI/IED Cells around Tal Afar are being successfully targeted and the local population has accepted the ISF and Gol's efforts in the area.

Kirkuk 1/10 MTN

(7) 1/10 MTN continues COIN Operations throughout Kirkuk Province. Two operations began today OPN Hound Hammer 13 and Chaos Hammer 8.

(8) Hound Hammer Harvest 13 is an IA/IP lead mission with close to 300 Iraqis participating in a cordon and search operation directed at three different groups suspected of emplacing IEDs North West of Kirkuk. This operation really shows the expansion the IP's and IA's role during operations in the Kirkuk Province

(9) Tomorrow Operation Chaos Hammer 8 will begin near Rashaad with the intent of developing a positive IO campaign in an area we have determined to be an enemy movement corridor through the AO. 2-22 IN ICW IA units will conduct a cordon and search of the Arfee village IOT deny the enemy forces moving through the AO any safe-havens that might be available. 2-22IN has been conducting a number of operations in the area through its Chaos series and is denying the enemy passage into the western portion of its AO.

Salah ad Din

(10) Currently 1/101 is continuing COIN OPS through Salah ad Din Province with 5 operations being conducted in its AO directed at AQIZ cells operating there. Operation Corondo Harvest conducted by 2-327 and IA, concluded near Samarra concluded yesterday targeting potential cache sites along the Tigris with NSTR.

(11) 4-9 IN is continuing Operation Manchu Harvest today west of Bayji with little for BDA discovered in the Jazeera Desert. The operation continues until the 15th IOT allow them to thoroughly clear the established NAIs.

(12) Operation Independence began today at 1300 as an AASLT operation north east of Samarra between 2-327 IN and ISF elements directed at the capturing any AQI/ISI forces operating in the area and continuing to deny the area surrounding Samarra to any enemy forces. This operation is still ongoing and is expected to end tomorrow night. We continue to see decreased over the past two months which we attribute to the increase of CF/ISF operations targeting support zones and increased circulation of the local populace within the city and increased Sons of Iraq presence. We are looking to continue to press on suspected AQI C2 locations to maintain this momentum.

(13) ODA conducted OPN Loudoun yesterday near Balad in order to capture a HVI suspected of operating in the area. The TST ended with 8 detainees taken to the

Baqubah ERF-1 detention facility. Even through the target was not found onsite we are still assessing this to be a successful mission; ERF-1 personnel have done an excellent job applying the training they have gone through and the mission has given the IA units patrolling there a chance to push through and expand their patrol area towards Sufeit.

Diyala 4/2 SBCT

(14) Sir, in Diyala, operations in the Bread Basket are continuing on course with 3/2 ACR and 2-23 IN operating between Baqubah and Muqdadiyah with Operations Tomahawk Harvest, Wolfpack Harvest, Tomahawk Thrasher I, and Sabre Harvest with NSTR for today.

(15) 2-23IN began Operation Tomahawk Thrasher I began this morning north of Baqubah targeting three villages there IOT deny the use of this area as a safe-haven. There is some concern about anti-CF elements in Qubbah however we will be using the IA forces as a large part of the operation in order to show that this is an Iraqi lead operation. There are 400 soldiers from 3/1 IA that will be in the lead while on the ground during the mission to help alleviate these tensions.

(16) In Baqubah we had CCIR 4/2 02:021 which is displayed on screen, that reported 4 Sons of Iraq where murdered while inside their safe-house. In the past 60 days we have had 5 murder events inside of Baqubah, all of which are from different groups making it difficult to drawl any correlation between the events. While we do not have a definite link yet our ACE and 4/2's ACE are looking at these events to try and make any connection between them. When we have developed the situation more and have a definitive association we will report our findings

We currently have 2/3 ACR in the middle of conducting its move to FOB Caldwell at this time. Once the unit has finished its move within 72 hours they will be prepared to resume future operations.

Non-Lethal

(17) United and Strong Conference- As you know, Sir, we had our United and Strong Conference on FOB Dagger yesterday. We had representatives from every province in MND-N including the governors, deputies, judges and other members of the provinces with over 25 attendees and coverage from 13 media groups including CNN, Washington Post, Reuters, Al Jazeera and other media outlets. Some of the topics covered were the need for a provincial powers law to be passed by the courts, which would help strengthen the relationship between the provincial and local government. Improvements to the banking system, fuel allocation, electricity, water and sewage, healthcare, education and road/bridge repair along with many more topics. All of the attendees present agreed to consolidate the issues discussed and present them to the Ministers at a follow up conference, United and Strong III which is planned for later this month. We are hoping that this next conference will be just as well received as this one was.

MND-CS White Eagle:

The situation in MND-CS remains stable with zero attacks on CFs or ISF during the past 48 hours.

Current operation of Lions Pounce and Silver Hooisers continues in order to deter and deny enemy movement. As the new rotation continues to gain SA, yesterday, a total of 6 operational patrols were conducted with one convoy escort. Polish SOT conducted one patrol and continues to develop a supporting relationship with ODA [1.4a] After receiving approximately 350 additional Polish soldiers over the weekend, today the number of operational presence patrols increased to 10 patrols for TF Lynx, with some still on-going; one convoy escort; and manning of JSS 2. TF Falcon executed a total of 4 operational patrols. US. MPs also continue a show of force presence in the city as they work to develop the IP force.

This past weekend, three schools which began reconstruction work at the end of December were completed by the local contractors. Upon completing final inspection, MND-CS will schedule opening ceremonies with the school leadership, the DG of Education, and other provincial council members. Those three schools provide education opportunities for 1,800 students; and employed 150 workers during the reconstruction works. Also seen on the slide is an on-going water project in the Al Askari 2,3,4 districts of Diwo. This work also began in late December and is scheduled to be completed in the spring. That project employs 1,200 workers, assisting in some employment opportunities for locals citizens from Diwo. With the additional allocation of CERP funds received yesterday, many construction, employment, and humanitarian support projects developed by the 9th Polish rotation can proceed IOT to assist in the stabilization efforts of Qadisiyah Province.

Update on the Diwaniyah PRT. Of 15 members projected to be on the team, 12 are either assigned or will be on board by the 10th of February. Identified in red on the slide, the team is soon to fill the project manager position, with the USAID Officer and the Small Business Advisor projected to be filled in approximately 30 days. One governance representative, formally stationed in Anbar Province, has been here at Camp Echo for approximately one week. Additionally, the team leader has informed us that he plans on making weekly visits with his functional experts, pending RSO support from the REO in Hillah.

Gen Molinowski conducted the MND-CS weekly security meeting with Gen Safa and [b)(6)] [b 6] Absent today was Gen Uthman due to his trip to Baghdad meeting with the Minister of Defense, reference the 2/1/7 IA Battalion and the desired additional battalion for Diwo. Results of that meeting are still pending, but we understand that if Gen Uthman cannot obtain the extension of the 217, he will re-direct 2 companies from the future Najaf battalion to Diwo. Those 2 companies are currently training in Numiniyah. Also discussed was a collective plan in response to Abarr een and Gen Safa's efforts to work with the central government on his equipment shortages. Other topics of the meeting focused on mutual cooperation between MND-CS and the IPs, with Gen Safa reporting that security is stable, and basic services improvements needs to continue to maintain stability.

IGFC:

The level of attacks decreased to 12 from 23 in the IGFC's AO, and the effective attacks increased by 1.

The IA conducted 10 C&S along the IGFC's AO which resulted in 59 Detainees.

The intelligence information indicates that in Knaa'n area in Dayala AQI did threaten people not to be involved within the ISF or any governmental Job and who is already has involved must give his badge and weapon to the AQI, and pay 3 Million Iraqi dinars.

Most important events;

Yesterday at 0900, a demonstration started from Al Salam district IVO Al Muqdadiya to the 5th IA Post command in Normandy, they asked the ISF to conduct operations in their area (Al Salam) to free them from the AQI presence.

Also yesterday at 1500, an IED exploded in the Dayala City Hall building wounding the Security Committee Chief (Dr. Husein Al Zubeidy) and one soldier from CF.

The most important operations along the IGFC's AO:

A very significant cache was found in Al Dayra northeast of Hilla during a joint IA and CF operation and IVO Khalis they detained 18 of Jund Al Sama' (heaven Soldiers) members as depicted on the slide.

Unit movements:

On 2 Feb at 1700, 3/7/4 moved from K1 to Tikrit after they end their training in order to replace 2/6/4 which are supposed to move from Tikrit to K1 on 5 Feb.

On 2 Feb, 1/3/14 returned to their headquarters in Shuaiba in Basra at 2300 from Besmaya after they end their training.

There are no changes to accomplished Percentages of the CPs along the route between Samara' and Baghdad. Work had stopped several times due to contracting problems and now due to lack of fuel assigned to IA vehicles after the last adjustment for the fuel consumption by MOD.

316th ESC Sustainer:

FOR SUSTAINMENT OPERATIONS, OVER THE LAST 24 HOURS THERE WERE 63 COMBAT LOGISTICS PATROLS WITH 2,516 TRUCKS. WE ALSO MOVED 155 PALLETS BY AIR.

CORPS CLPS: 44 # VEHICLES: 2,003

THEATER CLPS: 19 # VEHICLES: 513

OVER THE NEXT 24 HOURS, THERE ARE 82 CLPS SCHEDULED CONSISTING OF 3,112 TRUCKS.

CORPS CLPS: 53 # VEHICLES: 2,298

THEATER CLPS: 29 # VEHICLES: 814

DURING THE PAST REPORTING PERIOD, WE EXPERIENCED A TOTAL OF FIVE EVENTS; FOUR OF THESE EVENTS WERE ATTACKS ON OUR CLPS AND ONE ATTACKS ON A CLP OF THE 1ST TSC. THERE WERE 3 SMALL ARMS FIRE ATTACKS AND ONE IED ATTACK FOR THE 316 ESC AND ONE SMALL ARM FIRE ATTACK FOR THE 1ST TSC.THESE ATTACKS RESULTED ONE TCN KILLED.

IED

031436: 3 SB; MND-N: NO INJURIES OR DAMAGE

SAF

032022: 3 SB; MND-N: NO INJURIES, 1 X KBR TRK DAMAGED

032120: 640 SB; MND-B: 1 X TCN KILLED, 1 X TCN TRK DAMAGED

032122: **213 ASG; MND-C: NO INJURIES OR DAMAGE**

040245: 1 SB; MND-B: NO INJURIES OR DAMAGE

A REVIEW OF EVENTS AND TRENDS OVER THE PAST 24 HOURS SHOWS THERE WERE A TOTAL OF 11 REPORTED EVENTS ON MSRS, ASRS AND LOGBASES, NO CHANGE FROM THE PREVIOUS REPORT. OF THE 11 ATTACKS, 36% (4) WERE ON 316th ESC UNITS.

SUSTAINMENT STATUS FOR, ALL GS AND DS HUBS CURRENTLY AVERAGE 8.7 DAYS OF SUPPLY JP8 ON HAND AND AVERAGE 11.2 DAYS OF SUPPLY DF2 ON HAND. THERE ARE NO OPERATIONAL IMPACTS.

SUPPORT OPERATIONS, THE 316TH IS PREPARED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SUSTAINMENT AT TALLIL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SILVER LANCER. THE 1/82 BCT AND 7TH SB ARE COORDINATING LIFE SUPPORT, FUEL, MUNITIONS, AND TRANSPORTATION REQUIREMENTS WITH MND-SE, TF 1.4a AND WITH OUR STAFF; WE WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP YOU AND YOUR STAFF POSTED ON OUR CONCEPT.

FRAG-5 AND OGPB INSTALLATION SITES HAVE COMPLETED 2,756 M1151 OGPB INSTALLATIONS. IN ADDITION, THEY HAVE COMPLETED 2,301 M1151 FRAG-5 INSTALLATIONS, 378 M1152 INSTALLATIONS, AND 384 M1165 INSTALLATIONS. ESC-OPERATED SITES COMPLETED FOUR (4) M1151 OGPB INSTALLATIONS OVER THE LAST 24 HOURS.

CONVOY NUMBERS 03-04 FEB 08 (LAST 24 HOURS)

	CORPS CLP	CORPS VEH	THEATER CLP	THEATER VEH	Total CLPs	Total Vehicles
Day	16	793	0	0	16	793
Night	28	1210	19	513	47	1723
Total	44	2003	19	513	63	2516
PERCENTAGE OF CLPs CONDUCTED AT NIGHT						75

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MND-B LNO to MNC-I

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DSN:

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