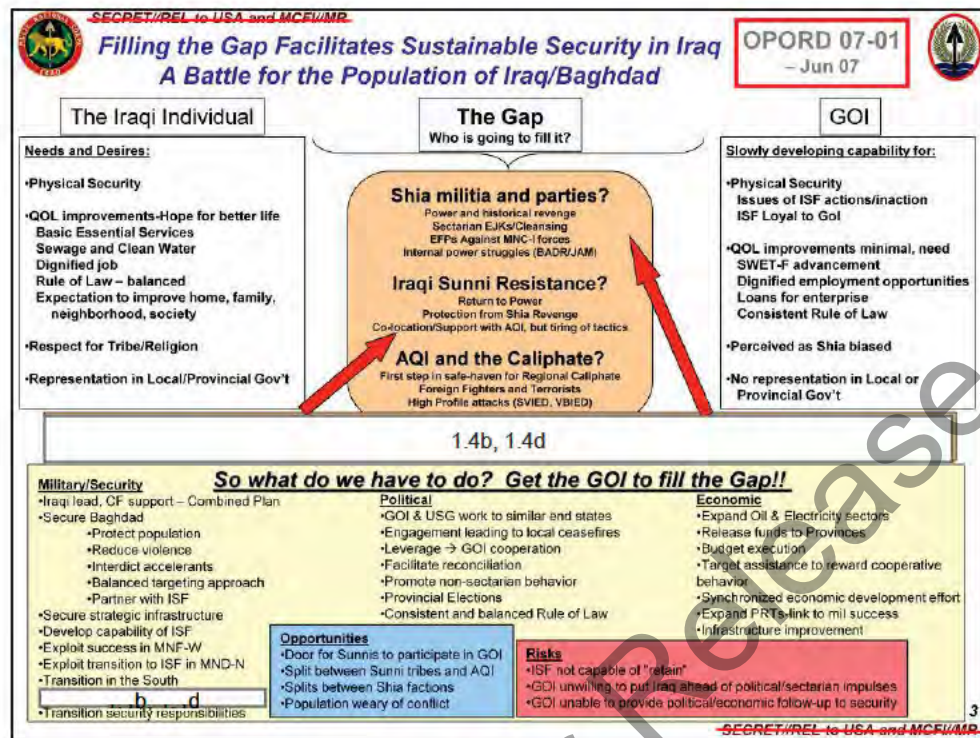




- This version incorporates corrections emerging from the 14 Dec orders brief



- Orders brief for OPORD 08-01 – commonly known as the campaign plan
- Agenda
- Opening slides on the general concept
- More detail on the concept of operations by line of operation – as indicated
- Conclude with concept of support

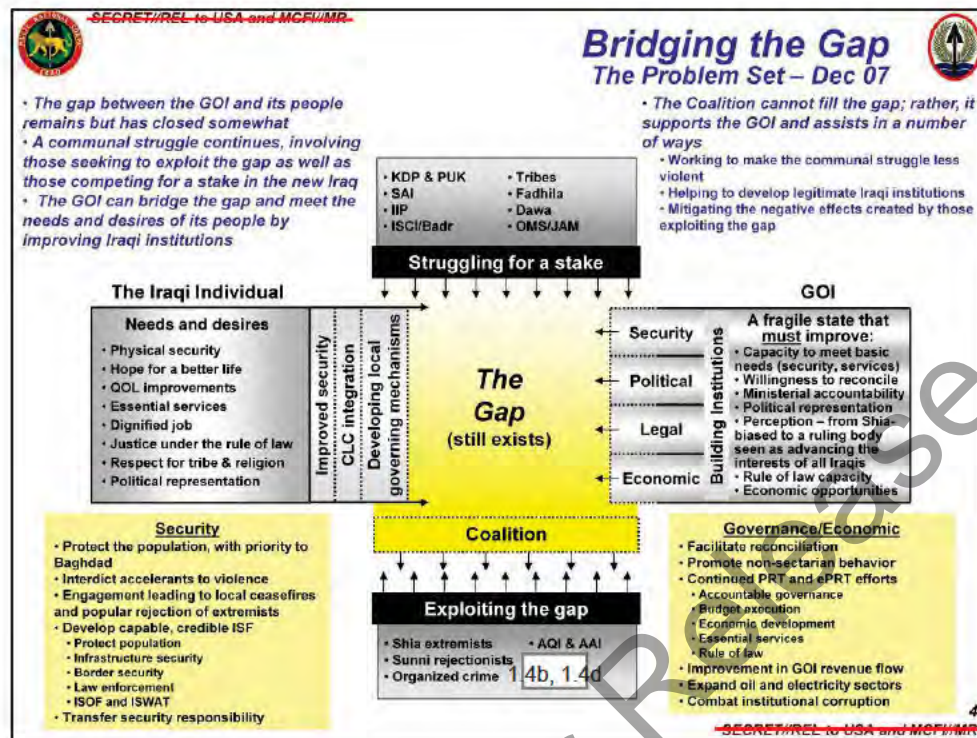


- How we visualized the problem in early 2007
- We saw the conflict as a communal struggle in which the GOI's legitimacy was challenged
- A key dimension of this struggle was the existence of a gap between the GOI and the people of Iraq
- Many groups were trying to fill this gap and exert control over the population in order to achieve their goals
- Over the course of 2007, the environment has changed and so has our depiction of the problem
- Although its long-term vision is still the same, AQI has lost much of its ability to fill the gap
- Instead, extremists – Sunni as well as Shia – are exploiting the gap in the near term
- Elements of other groups depicted as competing to fill the gap largely through violence and intimidation are instead attempting to increase their power and influence through the political process or through the GOI itself
- This doesn't necessarily make things any easier; it actually requires a deeper understanding of the problem and a more nuanced approach

- So the gap still exists, but it is no longer accurate to say simply that groups are trying to fill it in lieu of the GOI
- We try to capture this dynamic in the next slide

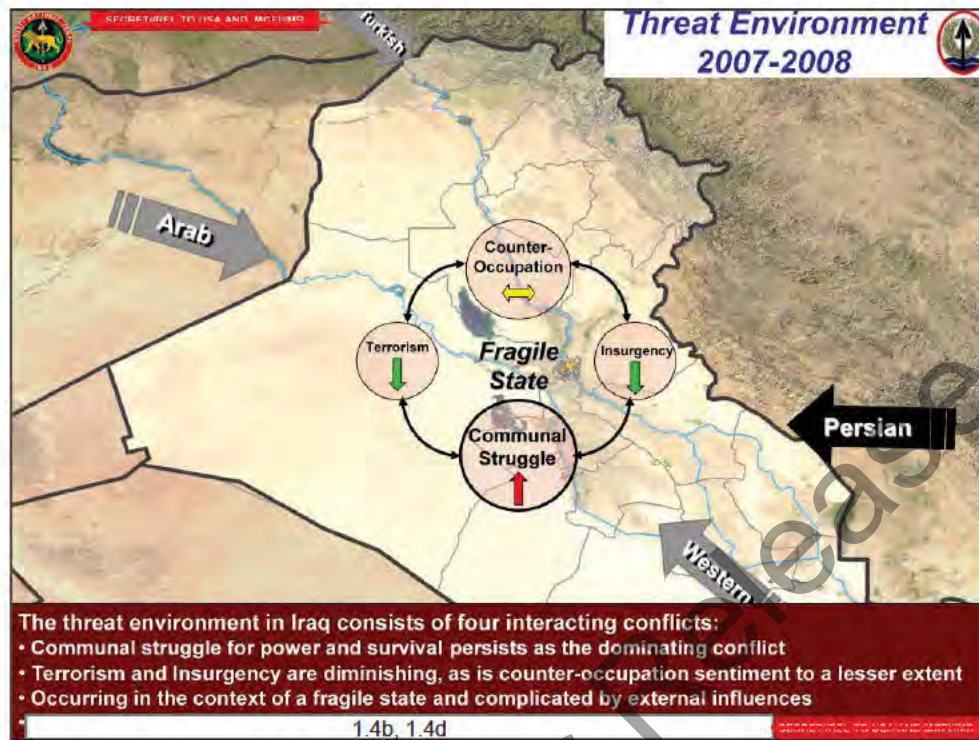
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- Our view of the problem
- The gap between the GOI and its people remains but has closed somewhat
- A communal struggle continues, involving those seeking to exploit the gap as well as those competing for a stake in the new Iraq
- The GOI can bridge the gap and meet the needs and desires of its people by improving Iraqi institutions
- The Coalition cannot fill the gap; rather, it supports the GOI and assists in a number of ways
  - Working to make the communal struggle less violent
  - Helping to develop legitimate Iraqi institutions
  - Mitigating the negative effects created by those exploiting the gap
- While bridging the gap is a long-term undertaking, OPORD 08-01 – and what we discuss in this briefing – will focus on our approach and actions in the near-term – that is, between now and late summer 2008





~~(S//REL)~~ **Threat Situation.** The threat environment in Iraq consists of four interacting conflicts: terrorism and insurgency - which are diminishing, counter-occupation - which is an implicit cultural norm and therefore diminishing more slowly, and the communal struggle for power and survival - which is shifting from primarily occurring between sects to increasingly taking place within them. These interacting conflicts are set in the context of fragile state and complicated by the external influences of Western, Turkish, Persian, and Arab civilizations.

~~(S//REL)~~ Terrorism in Iraq is linked to Al Qaeda's global jihad that seeks to create a virtual caliphate. Over the past year, however, Al Qaeda reduced its support for Al Qaeda in Iraq (AQI). This reduction in support has manifested itself in both reduced funding for AQI and reduced foreign fighter flow. The terrorist organizations in Iraq are the Sunni Extremist groups of Al Qaeda in Iraq (AQI) and the hard-line remnants of Ansar Al Sunnah (AAS). Sunni Extremists' brutal and excessive tactics have drastically eroded their popular support base and caused an exodus of Iraqi members. The Sunni Extremist objective of creating a failed state to serve as a terrorist sanctuary from which to launch a global jihad is mutually exclusive with the Sunni Rejectionist objective of re-establishing a Sunni-dominated Government of Iraq that is eventually at peace with its neighbors.

~~(S//REL)~~ The insurgency in Iraq is an almost exclusively Sunni Rejectionist movement aimed at regaining former power and influence. The principal Sunni Rejectionist groups are the 1920s Revolutionary Brigades, Iraqi Hamas, the Islamic Army of Iraq, Jaysh al Mujahidin, and the more nationalistic elements of Ansar al Sunnah. These groups have failed to produce any tangible results and their members have an increasing array of other options for inclusion, representation, and security. Many Rejectionists are turning away from armed insurgency and joining concerned local citizens groups, neighborhood watches, and tribal movements.

~~(S//REL)~~ Counter-occupation is an implicit cultural norm that calls for Muslim populations to oppose non-Muslim forces on Muslim soil. This predisposes the Iraqi populace to at least passively support attacks against Coalition Forces and contributes to Iraqi and contributes to Iraqi youth vulnerability to recruitment by more violent elements. The counter-occupation sentiment has reduced as the population learned that Muslim extremists conducted the most heinous crimes, not occupation forces.

~~(S//REL)~~ The communal struggle for power and survival between sects has diminished. The struggle is increasingly occurring within the various ethno-sectarian groups. Sunni tribal elements, former insurgents, and local citizens turning against AQI characterize the intra-Sunni conflict. The primary intra-Shia competition is between ISCI/Badr and its

historical rival OMS/JAM.

~~(S//REL)~~ The GOI is a fragile state with limited capacity to respond to the interacting conflicts. The GOI is slowly developing the governmental, ministerial and security capacity it requires to deal with the various threats.

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## Environmental Assessment

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- ✧ ***The communal struggle for power and survival is the fundamental threat to security and stability in Iraq***
  - Intra-Shia competition for local, provincial and national power
  - Intra-Sunni competition for political power and influence
  - Sectarian violence reduced, but tensions remain; political competition continues
  - Arab-Kurd tensions escalating
- ✧ ***Criminal threat – inflames the communal struggle***
  - Institutional corruption present at all levels of the GOI
  - Significant regional and local organized crime
- ✧ ***Terrorism and insurgency – diminishing threat to security and stability***
  - Support for AQI in decline; reduced funding, reduced foreign fighter flow, and eroded popular support base due to excessive tactics
  - OMS ceasefire and JAM split has led to a reduced number of Shia extremists; these groups are turning to Iran for support
  - Leaders of the Sunni insurgency have failed to produce tangible achievements or cultivate a unifying ideology; the Sunni Awakening and tentative rapprochement with CF should be viewed as alternate means of increasing their political power
- ✧ ***Counter-occupation – an implicit cultural norm that will diminish more slowly***
  - Unmet basic needs and unemployment create an environment where Iraqi youth are vulnerable to recruitment by more violent elements
  - Counter-occupation sentiment has begun to decrease where the population has learned of extremist and criminal acts

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## Environmental Assessment

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External influences contribute to the communal struggle for power by perpetuating intra- and inter-sectarian violence

- 1.4b, 1.4d
- Turkey's pursuit of its interests in the region could potentially destabilize the KRG's relationship with the GOI (PKK issue, Kurdish expansionism)

Iraq is a fragile state and will remain so for years

- GOI's inability to make decisions on key issues limits its capability to respond to the interacting conflict; no strong executive and a weak coalition ruling majority
- Effects of past ethno-sectarian violence linger, making compromise and reconciliation difficult; GOI willingness to reconcile questionable
- Lack of progress on national reconciliation threatens security; GOI fears Awakening Movements as threat to their power
- Lack of opportunities for greater political representation
- GOI's immature criminal justice system
- Subversion, whether Sunni or Shia in origin, is an emerging concern

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Threat Categories and Groups	
<p><b>Sunni Extremists</b></p> <p><b>Al Qaeda in Iraq (AQI)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HP attacks: T&amp;FF, SVEST, S/VBIED</li> <li>• Targets CF, ISF, Gol, Infrastructure, civilians</li> <li>• Seeks to cause a failed state</li> </ul> <p><b>Ansar al Islam (AAI)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seeks CF withdrawal and Sharia Law in Iraq</li> <li>• Disagrees with AQI over targeting of Muslims, true nature of jihad and global instead of Iraqi focus</li> </ul> <p><i>Isolated from Population</i></p>	<p><b>Shia Extremists</b></p> <p><b>Rogue Special Groups and Splinters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opposed to CF</li> <li>• Desire to continue Opposition</li> <li>• Conduct violent attacks against civilians, ISF, CF, and other armed groups</li> <li>• Not cohesive</li> <li>• No political representation</li> <li>• Generates additional Intra-Shia tensions</li> <li>• Large associated contingent of criminal elements</li> </ul> <p><i>Confusion and Infighting</i></p>
<p><b>Sunni Rejectionists</b></p> <p><b>Multiple Sunni Insurgent Councils attempting to unify resistance:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Political Council for Iraqi Resistance (PCIR)</li> <li>- Jihad and Reformation Front (JARF)</li> <li>- Jihad and Change Front (JACF)</li> <li>- New Ba'ath Party (NBP)</li> <li>• No unifying ideology or leader</li> <li>• Unable to produce tangible results</li> </ul> <p><i>Exodus of fighters</i></p>	<p><b>Shia Militia</b></p> <p><b>Jaysh al Mahdi (JAM)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Military wing of OMS</li> <li>• Primarily poor, young, uneducated Shia</li> <li>• Support base in Sadr City</li> <li>• Loyal to Muqtada al Sadr</li> <li>• Seeking alternatives to violence</li> <li>• May evolve into humanitarian organization or integrate into ISF</li> </ul> <p><i>Obedient stand-down order</i></p>

The multiple threat groups in the Iraqi Theater of Operation fall into four broad categories: Sunni Extremists, Sunni Rejectionists, Shia Militias, and Shia Extremist. Sunni Extremists are characterized by both their brutal methods and their fanatical religious ideology. Primarily AQI and AAS, who as previously mentioned have reduced support by remain a credible threat.

Sunni Rejectionists are insurgent groups which seek to undermine the current Shia-dominated Gol and restore Sunni political power. The memberships of Sunni Rejectionist groups overlap and merger negotiations into umbrella organizations are a recurring theme. Their failure to provide a unifying ideology and leader have not allowed them to achieve tangible results.

Shia Militias are illegal armed groups aligned with political parties which seek to maintain Shia dominance and advance their particular political party's interests. Currently the largest and most dangerous are the JAM-SGs. Although, some are adhering to the freeze order, confusion among its members create opportunities for attacks against CF and ISF.

Shia extremist are armed groups that reject the political process and seek to further their limited goals through violent means. The JAM SGs that have split away from JAM are currently the most threatening group. The refuse to adhere to the freeze order and continue to receive lethal aid





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### ISCI/Badr



**Islamic Supreme Council of Iraq/Badr**

- Rule a Shia-dominated GOI, prevent Sunni return
- Near-term CF alliance while reducing CF footprint
- Integrate Badr into ISF leadership; counter JAM excesses
- Use Popular Committees & Shahid al Mihrab to gain Shia support
- Top-down approach; Weak GOI enabling ISCI powerbase; Control S, ISF 1<sup>st</sup>
- Badr Organization is separate political organization; takes direction and loyal to ISCI
- Shift center of Shiaism from Qom to Najaf

*Rule GOI thru Federalism Alliance*

### Political Influences (1 of 2)

#### OMS/JAM



**Office of the Martyr Sadr/Jaysh al-Mahdi**

- Defend Shia, Institute Shia Sharia Law; dominate GOI post-CF
- Force CF withdrawal while avoiding direct conflict
- Integrate former militia into ISF; retain grassroots loyalty
- Defend Shia communities, selectively provide services
- Bottom-up approach to power/influence
- Reach accord with ISCI/Badr
- Haeri is source of emulation

*Rule GOI thru central Islamic gov't*

#### Dawa



**Iraqi Dawa Party (PM Maliki)**

- Rule a strong Shia-dominated GOI
- Control CF actions and limit CF interference
- Centralize control of ISF and install loyal commanders
- Gain support thru improving GOI capacity for services
- Exploiting opponents' failures and fears to remain in power: divide & conquer

*Strengthen position thru collaboration*

#### Fadilah



**The Fadilah Organization**

- Establish Basra as southern capital and maintain control of Basra
- Control local security forces and limit central GOI interference
- Regional approach to power and influence; profit motive

*Secure control of Basra, oil, ports*

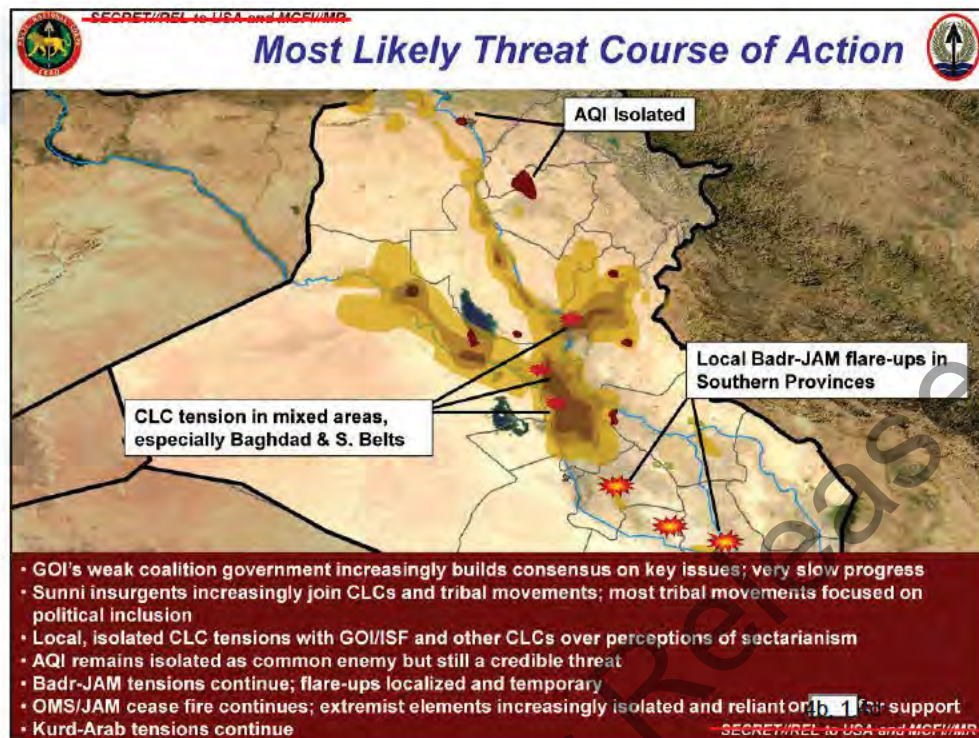
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<p> <del>SECRET//REL to USA and MCF/MPR</del></p> <p><b>Tawafaq/IIP</b> </p> <p><b>Tawafaq Iraqi Front</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restore Sunni influence, Protect against Shia domination</li> <li>• Use CF to fight AQI and pressure <u>1.4b, 1.4d</u></li> <li>• Counter Shia ISF corruption and domination thru CLCs</li> <li>• Defend Sunnis from AQI and JAM M&amp;I/displacement</li> <li>• Pressure Shia GOI for greater Sunni inclusion</li> </ul> <p><i>Gain Sunni over-representation in GOI</i></p>	<p><b>Political Influences</b> (2 of 2) </p> <p> <b>KDP/PUK</b> </p> <p><b>Kurdistan Democratic Party/Patriotic Union of Kurdistan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Semi-autonomous, economically viable Kurdistan at peace with neighbors</li> <li>• Secure CF strategic alliances; long-term U.S. base</li> <li>• Integrate with ISF; retain regional guard</li> <li>• Protect Kurdish population and reclaim historical territory</li> <li>• Strengthen and support GOI IOT protect Kurdish interests</li> </ul> <p><i>Secure Kurdistan within Iraq</i></p>
<p><b>SAA/SAI</b> </p> <p><b>Sahawa al-Anbar/Sahawa al-Iraqi</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transform from an armed force to a political party</li> <li>• Multiple Sunni Insurgent Councils attempting to unify resistance:</li> <li>• Use CF to equip, train and organize tribal members to defeat AQI</li> <li>• Integrate tribal members into ISF/TSFs</li> <li>• Protect tribal members from AQI M&amp;I; provide services</li> <li>• Develop a competitive power structure based on tribal system</li> </ul> <p><i>Improve governance via tribal system</i></p>	<p><b>INL/Independents</b> </p> <p><b>Iraqi National List/Independents</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establish non-Sectarian Nationalist Government</li> <li>• Align with CF to ensure long term stability</li> <li>• Restore professionalism to Iraqi Security Forces; against arming tribes</li> <li>• Represent the secular interests of all segments of the population</li> <li>• Form cross-sectarian coalition</li> </ul> <p><i>Replace current GOI with secular GOI</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">10</p> <p><del>SECRET//REL to USA and MCF/MPR</del></p>





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**Outlook**  
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▲ ***We have seen several positive indicators in the security situation***

- Reduction in violence
- AQI threat receding
- Localized security emerging where Sunnis have found common cause with CF and the GOI in the struggle against AQI
- Efforts to persuade Shia communities to distance themselves from Shia extremists showing some promise
- Growth of ISF capacity



▲ ***Currently though, many factors still threaten security and long-term stability***

- Effects of past ethno-sectarian violence linger, making compromise and reconciliation difficult
- Lack of progress on national-level reconciliation
  - Those in power are likely to resist provincial elections
  - Accountability and Justice legislation stalled
- CLCs are not a sustainable mechanism for localized security; if they are not absorbed into ISF or other formal GOI structures, they could take up arms against CF and the GOI again – this is especially true in the Sunni case
- Organized crime and institutional corruption
- 1.4b, 1.4d – infiltrating and undermining the political process
- Governmental incapacity and malign intent, plus popular resentment stemming from a failure to meet basic needs

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- Outlook takes the changes of the past year into account and offers an assessment of the challenges ahead
- Progress in the security situation; problems related to sustaining that progress
- Many of these problems stem from and perpetuate the communal struggle

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▲ ***In the coming years, the competition for power and resources in Iraq will be resolved – one way or another***

- We cannot simply bring the conflict to an end
- We want to see it resolved relatively peacefully, rather than violently

▲ ***Resolving the conflict peacefully will take strategic patience and a strategic approach***

- We have momentum, but the GOI must capitalize on this opportunity to preserve and expand the progress made thus far in order to secure lasting strategic gains
- MNC-I can contribute to the peaceful resolution of the conflict by:
  - Facilitating "bottom-up" reconciliation
  - Developing the ISF and assisting with the development of security institutions
  - Supporting the ISF as it protects the population and reduces the accelerants to violence
  - Assisting with efforts to improve governmental performance and economic development at the local and provincial levels
- Much of the Coalition's strategic success will depend on the choices Iraqis make; the ultimate solution to this conflict will be political
  - Requires strategic engagement at the national and diplomatic levels
  - Requires sufficient GOI support of the Coalition's efforts, in the face of more evident assertions of Iraqi sovereignty and a GOI desire to limit Coalition authorities
  - Requires a substantial improvement of ministerial capacity in order to develop political and economic institutions
  - Requires a basic willingness on the part of the GOI and key Iraqi actors to reconcile and work peacefully towards a fair, functional power-sharing arrangement
  - Requires a serious GOI effort to take aggressive security and political action against Shia extremists / 1 4b 1 4d
  - Potentially requires a change in the political system, resulting in more representative and accountable governmental institutions


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- Communal struggle for power will be resolved one way or another
- Our aim to bring about its resolution as peacefully as possible
- This requires a more sophisticated approach than simply defeating our enemies and helping our friends
- We've been aware of the complexity of the conflict for some time; the way ahead involves more of the same
- Due to our security gains, we have momentum; GOI must take advantage of this to secure lasting gains
- MNC-I plays only a part of what will be a strategic effort, requiring resources outside of our control
- Most significantly, our strategic success depends largely on the Iraqis and the choices they make
- Given our current policy of supporting the GOI, the Coalition must – to a large extent – be willing to live the GOI's decisions; whether or not these decisions will continue to lead to the Coalition's strategic, long-term success in Iraq and the region is an open question



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*MNF-I/USM-I Mission Statement*




**Mission:** The Coalition, in partnership with the Government of Iraq, employs integrated political, security, economic, and diplomatic means to, beginning in December 2007:


- Transition from surge operations
- Maintain security in order to transition from *lead* to *partner* to *overwatch*
- Transfer responsibility for population security to the Iraqi Security Forces
- Pursue establishment of a long-term strategic partnership based on a reduced and sustainable Coalition force presence
- Continue to support political and economic development

In order to help the people of Iraq achieve sustainable security by the summer of 2009 to advance reconciliation and political and economic development.

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- Base document of the JCP approved in late November
- JCP covers near-term through July 2008 and the intermediate-term through June 2009, when sustainable security will be achieved
- Between now and then, emphasis on maintaining our security gains and transferring responsibilities for security to the Iraqis
- OPORD 08-01 will focus on the near term

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*MNF-I/USM-I Intent*

**Purpose:** To help the people of Iraq achieve sustainable security by the summer of 2009 to advance reconciliation and political and economic development.

**Method:** The Coalition will continue to promote political accommodation between the competing factions of the Iraqi population while simultaneously focusing, with our Iraqi counterparts, on the defeat of the extremist enemies of the GOI. The Coalition will employ an integrated engagement approach combining persuasive, cooperative, and coercive means to help the GOI move the various key actors toward political accommodation and reconciliation. The Coalition strategy will focus on establishing a baseline of security for the people and create an environment conducive to political and economic progress leading to reconciliation. As GOI capabilities increase and conditions improve, the Coalition will play a decreasing role and security responsibilities will be transitioned to an Iraqi lead. It will be essential to ensure there is no degradation in the security situation during this transition. Authorities for Coalition operations, currently embodied in United Nations Security Council Resolutions, will eventually transition to multi-faceted, long-term strategic partnerships between the GOI and various Coalition nations. The UNSCR for 2008 will be the last under the provisions of Chapter 7, though a subsequent UNSCR not under Chapter 7 is possible.

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- Purpose is to help the Iraqis achieve sustainable security
- Key elements of accomplishing this purpose include:
  - promoting political accommodation – in part through engagement
  - defeating extremists
  - establishing and maintaining a baseline of population security
  - facilitating political and economic progress
  - helping the ISF take the lead in security responsibilities
- Also key is transitioning to a long-term strategic partnership with Iraq, which will grant the Coalition authority to remain in Iraq and work toward solidifying strategic, long-term success

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*MNF-I/USM-I End State*


**Endstate: A stable Iraq:**

- Sustained by a developing economy
- Committed to participatory governance under the rule of law and maintaining civil order
- Denied as a safe haven for extremists
- Integrated into the regional and international communities
- Engaged in a long-term strategic partnership with the United States and other Coalition partners and on the road to becoming an effective ally in the War on Terror, and characterized by prosperity, enhanced rule of law, developed security forces and supporting institutions, and fully functioning political and government structures


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- End state corresponds with June 2009 or the end of the intermediate term; it does not mark the end of the Coalition's efforts in Iraq
- It *does* imply that much of the work will be done, however – makes sense given the planned reduction in forces and the meaning of sustainable security
- **Sustainable security:** Security that can be maintained over time through Iraqi security, civil, and civic institutions with reduced Coalition involvement



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## MNC-I Mission




MNC-I conducts *combat and stability operations in coordination with the Iraqi Security Forces* to secure the population, defeat AQI and other extremists, neutralize insurgent and militia groups, and, as local conditions permit, transfer security responsibilities to the ISF *in order to achieve irreversible momentum* by late summer 2008, leading to sustainable security and, in the longer term, *Iraqi self-reliance*.

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- Corps mission statement
- Little change in “what” we are doing: secure the population, defeat AQI and extremists, neutralize insurgent and militia groups, and transferring security responsibilities as conditions permit
- Biggest change relates to “how” we are doing the mission – the primary subject of OPORD 08-01
- Why we are doing it has changed mainly in terms of time: irreversible momentum in the near-term – by late summer 2008; we will explain this term later in the brief
- Irreversible momentum towards sustainable security, leading in the longer term to Iraqi self-reliance – a goal which we see as several years away





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## Commander's Intent – Purpose



▲ The conflict in Iraq is a *communal struggle for power and survival*. We must focus our efforts on reducing the severity and violent nature of this struggle. This requires an understanding of the interrelated factors that perpetuate it and the likely effects of our lethal and non-lethal actions. Commanders must thoroughly understand the complex dynamics at work in their areas of operations and recognize how they affect (and are affected by) the diverse conditions existing elsewhere. Our understanding of the conflict will be the primary driver of our operations.

▲ My intent is to achieve *irreversible momentum towards sustainable security* in Iraq. By late summer 2008, we will generate an environment in which the Iraqi people feel safer; have greater access to opportunities; feel more empowered; and *increasingly come to rely on Iraqi institutions* to fulfill their basic needs.

▲ We will seek this goal in the near-term by: *protecting the population*; reducing accelerants to violence; building the capacity of *professional ISF*; brokering local accommodations; *facilitating reconciliation*; encouraging broader participation in decision-making; promoting *police primacy*; facilitating equitable distribution of resources; promoting access to justice for all; fostering an environment for *economic development*; creating jobs; and facilitating the *delivery of public services*.

▲ Iraq still requires substantial Coalition assistance, but its leaders increasingly assert Iraqi sovereignty. As security and stability improve, we will modify our TTPs to accommodate Iraq's aspirations. In all cases, we will treat Iraqis with respect and work with them in the *spirit of partnership*. This partnership extends beyond the military dimension. It involves cultivating the active support of the people and strengthening their *commitment to Iraqi institutions*. CLCs serve as one example. They temporarily meet a need for security at the local level and become vehicles for reconciliation with their subsequent integration into the ISF or other forms of public service.

▲ Sustainable security requires a purposeful effort to *transfer security responsibility* to the ISF. We will do so *as local conditions permit* and in conjunction with a gradual, measured reduction of Coalition forces. We will transition deliberately by area and on a unit-by-unit basis, companies at a time if necessary.



▲ Much of our success hinges on the choices that Iraqis make and on the perceptions that shape those choices. Carefully considered *information operations* must support everything we do.

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- Several points of emphasis:
- Imperative to understand the interrelated factors that underlie and shape the communal struggle for power and how factors affected the struggle vary by region
- Achieving irreversible momentum, such that Iraqis come to rely more and more on Iraqi institutions to fulfill their basic needs
- Related dynamics of the more pronounced expressions of Iraqi sovereignty, transferring responsibilities to the GOI, and connecting the GOI to the population so that the ability to manage those responsibilities lasts
- Between now and summer 2008, the number of U.S. BCTs in Iraq will gradually reduce to fifteen; this reduction will occur in conjunction with the transfer of security responsibilities to the ISF; the commander's intent makes clear that this transition will be deliberate and executed area-by-area as conditions permit





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- *Protect the population*, with priority to Baghdad and then the nine key cities; implement appropriate population control measures, and establish a persistent presence in Iraqi neighborhoods to improve security and obtain the active support of the people; work to solidify these gains at the local level as security responsibilities *transition deliberately to a more capable, credible ISF*
- *Facilitate reconciliation* among major ethnic, religious, and political factions vying for power in Iraq; use persuasive, cooperative, and coercive means of engagement to separate reconcilable groups from the irreconcilable and to broker local ceasefires, political compromises, and agreements that integrate CLCs into formal GOI structures; combine local successes into broader opportunities and use these as a basis for bringing about longer lasting political and social stability
- *Defeat AQI and extremists*; kill them, capture them, or drive them toward reconciliation; render ineffective their efforts to foment sectarian violence and derail progress toward political accommodation and economic development
- *Develop ISF capacity* through partnership, transition teams, and advisory / assistance units; work to make the IA and NP more professional by improving unit combat effectiveness, reducing sectarianism, and growing quality leaders; promote police primacy through the development of sustainable, competent, non-sectarian local police forces
- *Transfer security responsibility* to capable, credible ISF units as local conditions permit; manage the risk of regression through a deliberate, area-by-area transition that maintains appropriate Coalition force overwatch posture; in areas that progress to overwatch, adapt collection strategies that preserve situational awareness and help identify emerging threats to stability
- *Assist efforts to improve civil and governmental capacity*, with a special focus on essential services; continue to build capacity that enables accountable local governance, rule of law, and sustainable economic development; deepen our understanding of Iraqi systems, processes, and perspectives, particularly as they relate to money and how it is allocated and spent; *promote legitimate, non-sectarian behavior* among Iraqi officials; along these lines, support efforts to improve Iraqi port-of-entry operations through Coalition oversight and an emphasis on enforcing GOI regulations
- *Protect the force* through proactive, focused, continuous, and precise offensive operations specifically against IED and indirect-fire networks; synchronize all available assets, to include air and ground reconnaissance and surveillance systems, and properly integrate them to counter these threats

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- Similar key tasks
- Reflects continued emphasis on protecting the population but with more explicit goal of transferring security responsibilities to a capable, credible ISF
- We continue to facilitate reconciliation as a means of defusing the communal struggle, and strive to defeat AQI and other extremists who refuse to reconcile
- We continue to emphasize developing ISF capacity but – again – place new prominence on transition with an additional key task
- Improving civil and governmental capacity remains a key task – one that we can expect will have increased emphasis as security conditions improve
- Finally, we continue to protect the force through an effective use of reconnaissance and surveillance systems, focusing on IDF and IED networks



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### Commander's Intent – Near- and Long-Term Goals

In the near term (late summer 2008), irreversible momentum towards sustainable security is achieved; the population is protected, at a level sufficient to allow for continuing political accommodation and economic development, with priority to Baghdad and then the nine key cities; 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. GOI efforts to reach political accommodation throughout the country begin to bear fruit and advance the process of reconciliation. Transfer of security responsibilities is well underway, with capable, credible ISF units increasingly in the lead. Coalition forces maintain a presence among the population in several places but have assumed overwatch elsewhere based on conditions. AQI and other extremists are neutralized and under persistent Iraqi or Coalition force pressure. Their freedom of action is limited, and their operations are unable to disrupt progress toward political accommodation and sustainable economic development.

In the long term (2-5 years), Iraq is self-reliant and stable, with fully developed security forces and supporting institutions, fully functioning political and governmental structures, and a developing economy. The country is committed to participatory governance based on the rule of law, denied as a safe haven for terrorists, and integrated into the international community as an engine for regional economic growth.

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- End state is described in terms of near- and long-term goals
- In the near term – by late summer 2008 – we seek to achieve irreversible momentum
- More specifically ... in conjunction with the ISF, we want to protect the population at least to a point that allows political accommodation and economic development to continue
- And we want to begin to see the fruits of this accommodation as the GOI advances the process of reconciliation
- The transfer of security responsibility should be well underway, with the ISF increasingly in the lead
- AQI and other extremists should be neutralized – that is, unable to derail political and economic progress
- In the long term – several years away – we seek a self-reliant Iraq



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## Irreversible Momentum Key Conditions and Trends

**Progress preserved and expanded by growing GOI confidence and capacity, with gradually diminishing Coalition support**

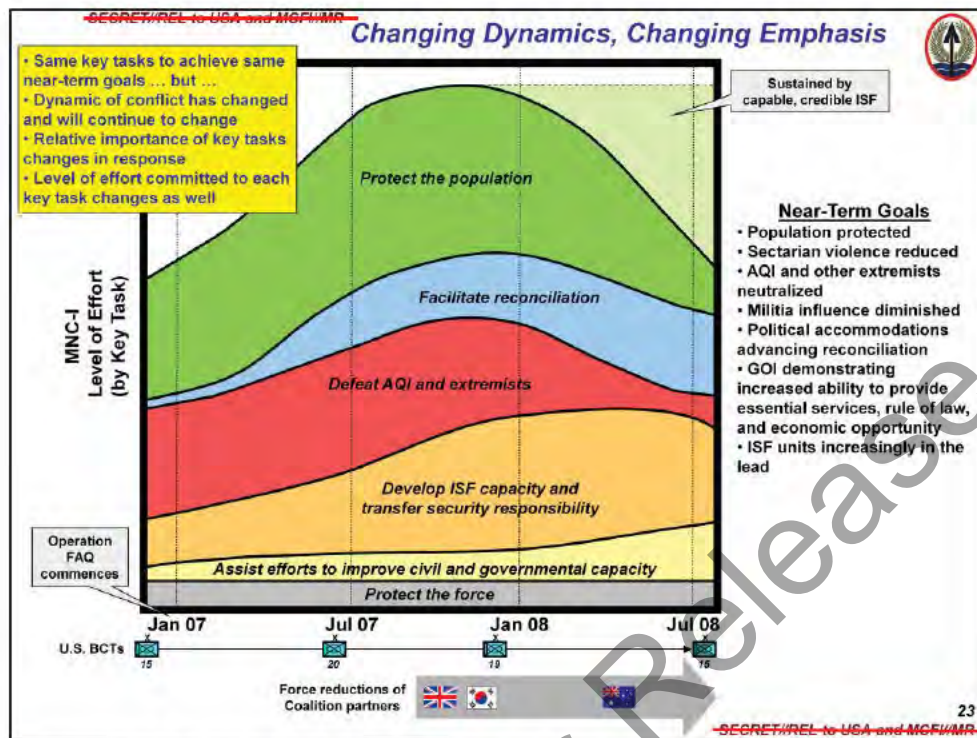
- ✧ **Population secured**
  - Political accommodation and economic development can continue
  - Level of ethno-sectarian violence unable to derail political progress
  - Iraqis reject AQI and Sunni and Shia extremists
  - Local ceasefires holding – matched by meaningful GOI outreach to local groups
  - *We should observe Iraqis choosing the GOI over extremists*
- ✧ **ISF capacity enhanced**
  - ISF units adequately trained, equipped, sustained, and led in sufficient quantity and quality to allow for the deliberate transfer of security responsibility
  - ISF assuming the lead in some areas, with minimal impact on security and quality of life
  - ISF capability and credibility – coupled with local security force integration – render militias unnecessary for protection
  - *We should observe Iraqis choosing the ISF over militias*
- ✧ **Government capacity at the local and provincial level enhanced**
  - Security progress is reinforced
  - Essential services improving and trending toward more equitable provision
  - Governing mechanisms increasingly representative
  - Iraqi judicial and investigative processes improving
  - *We should observe Iraqis choosing the political process over the “rule of the gun”*
- ✧ **Foundation for economic development at local and provincial level established**
  - Security progress is reinforced
  - Legitimate economic activity increasing; employment opportunities growing
  - *We should observe Iraqis choosing to improve their quality of life rather than just trying to survive*

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- Security progress has generated momentum; we aim to make this momentum irreversible by late summer 2008 – reaching a point where the force of our momentum will be strong enough to withstand any likely setback and thus maintain movement on the way to accomplishing longer-term goals
- Generally speaking, we achieve irreversible momentum when Iraqi institutions can preserve the progress made thus far and expand upon it – with gradually diminishing Coalition support
- We should see Iraqi institutions “bridging the gap” between the GOI and the people; likewise, we should see rising public confidence in those institutions; without these two factors – growing capacity of institutions and rising confidence of the people brought on in part by that growing capacity – it will difficult to say that we’ve met our near-term goal
- Though by no means all-inclusive, this slide provides a description of irreversible momentum in terms of key conditions and trends related to the choices Iraqis will make in the coming months; our actions should aim to favorably influence those choices





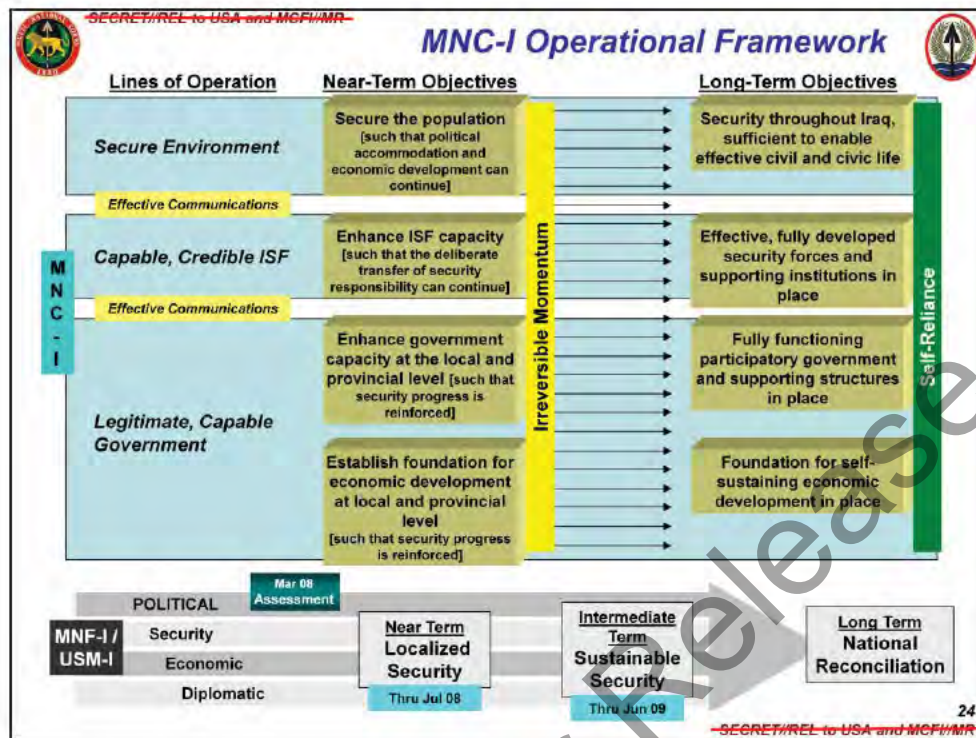
- MNC-I maintains similar near-term goals, but changes in the operational environment have caused (and will continue to cause) us to alter the way we pursue them; changes are based largely on the success we've had
- This slide highlights several aspects to the changing dynamic of our operations
- Here, we are trying to put where we're going in the context of where we've been – using the commander's key tasks as a framework
- Timeline and force levels depicting the surge earlier this year and the Coalition's reduction in force planned for the first half of next year; over time, the level of effort committed to the key tasks has changed and will continue to change
- With the imminent BCT reductions, responsibility for executing the task of population security will increasingly shift to capable, credible ISF
- Level of effort committed to facilitating reconciliation will increase; stems from the growing prominence of the struggle's intra-sectarian dimension; we seek to exploit the widening rift between extremists and Iraq's major Arab communities; this requires a more nuanced approach – esp. in the Shia case; we want to broker local ceasefires and coordinate local security arrangements, reconciling with former belligerents if such a course has the potential to lead to political accommodation with the GOI
- Level of effort committed to defeating extremists is declining; due to successful lethal efforts; also due to our increased emphasis on facilitating reconciliation – restricted target lists
- Level of effort committed to developing the ISF remains high as we prepare them



for independent operations and assist them as they shoulder more of the burden for local security



- Improving civil and governmental capacity will slightly increase; we expect that the change in emphasis will become more pronounced beyond the near term – after MNC-I achieves irreversible momentum

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- MNC-I's operational framework with three lines of operation
- Each LOO leads to associated operational objectives in the near term and in the long term
- We've adapted the JCP design and placed it underneath ours to show how the corps framework nests with MNF-I's and the embassy's
- We seek to accomplish our near-term objectives by late summer 2008; these objectives are mutually-reinforcing and together constitute achieving irreversible momentum towards sustainable security and ultimately towards self-reliance, described in part by our long-term objectives



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Near-Term Objectives	Supporting Conditions	Measures of Effectiveness
<p><b>Secure the population</b> [such that political accommodation and economic development can continue]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AQI and other extremists isolated</li> <li>• Militia influence diminished</li> <li>• Local populations increasingly reconciled with GOI</li> <li>• Lethal aid to extremists disrupted</li> <li>• IED networks neutralized</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High-profile attacks on civilians decreasing</li> <li>• AQI and other extremist sanctuaries decreasing</li> <li>• Ethno-sectarian attacks in Baghdad and nine key cities decreasing</li> <li>• Population displacement in Baghdad halted</li> <li>• Return of displaced and internally displaced persons to Baghdad increasing</li> <li>• Iraqi population increasingly rejects extremist groups</li> <li>• Militia influence and illegal activity in Baghdad decreasing</li> <li>• Local ceasefires involving the ISF increasing</li> <li>• Aggressive actions against ISF decreasing</li> <li>• CLC integration into formal GOI structures increasing</li> <li>• Cross-border flow of weapons, technology, and fighters decreasing</li> <li>• Effective IED attacks against CF and ISF decreasing</li> </ul>
<p><b>Enhance ISF capacity</b> [such that the deliberate transfer of security responsibility can continue]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ISF effectiveness improved</li> <li>• Critical infrastructure protected</li> <li>• ISF reliability increased</li> <li>• Public confidence in ISF increased</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IA units that demonstrate ability to lead COIN ops increasing</li> <li>• IP and NP that demonstrate ability to maintain law and order increasing</li> <li>• Capability of DBE and POE forces to secure the border improving</li> <li>• Capability of IA Infrastructure Battalions improving</li> <li>• Ability of ISF command-and-control centers to coordinate operations improving</li> <li>• Ability of ISF units to sustain operations improving</li> <li>• Effective attacks against critical infrastructure decreasing</li> <li>• Militia infiltration of ISF decreasing</li> <li>• ISF leaders increasingly demonstrate non-sectarian behavior</li> <li>• Iraqi civilians increasingly consider the ISF reliable and capable of providing security</li> </ul>
<p><b>Explanation of the Framework</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objectives prescribe friendly goals</li> <li>• Supporting conditions are related to objectives and describe the state of the operational environment when the objectives are accomplished</li> <li>• Supporting conditions are not tasks, but they help determine what tasks are required to accomplish objectives</li> <li>• Tasks direct friendly action</li> <li>• MOEs assess changes in the operational environment and are tied to measuring the attainment of a set of conditions</li> </ul>		
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- The next two slides provide additional detail on our operational objectives for the near term
- Each objective has a number of supporting conditions that – when considered collectively – help describe the desired state of the operational environment when the objectives are accomplished
- For the near term, we have identified measures of effectiveness to assess changes in the operational environment and to assist in gauging the extent to which MNC-I has achieved the supporting conditions related to each objective
- Here we have supporting conditions and MOEs for “Secure the population” and “Enhance ISF capacity”

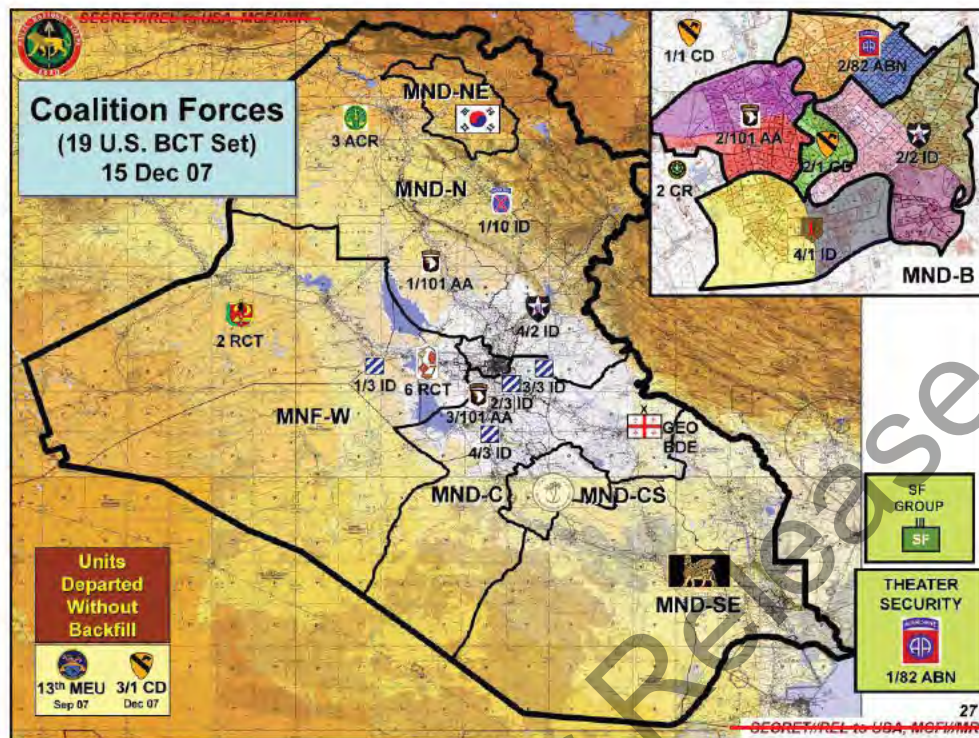
**Objectives Crosswalk**  
**Near Term – Late Summer 2008 (2 of 2)**

<b>Near-Term Objectives</b>	<b>Supporting Conditions</b>	<b>Measures of Effectiveness</b>
<p><b>Enhance government capacity at the local and provincial level</b> [such that security progress is reinforced]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provision of essential services improved</li> <li>• Rule of law strengthened</li> <li>• Public confidence in local and provincial government increased</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Iraqis increasingly perceive improvements in their quality of life</li> <li>• Government capacity to provide essential services increasing</li> <li>• Government capacity to undertake reconstruction and infrastructure development increasing</li> <li>• Government ability to execute fiscal responsibilities improving (i.e. budget execution)</li> <li>• Judicial process improving</li> <li>• Pre-trial investigative process improving</li> <li>• Majority of Iraqis accept the political process as legitimate</li> <li>• Governing mechanisms increasingly representative</li> <li>• Government officials increasingly demonstrate non-sectarian behavior</li> <li>• Institutional corruption decreasing</li> </ul>
<p><b>Establish foundation for economic development at local and provincial level</b> [such that security progress is reinforced]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legitimate economic activity in public and private sectors increased</li> <li>• Increased employment opportunities generated</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consumer confidence increasing</li> <li>• Capacity of oil/fuel system increasing</li> <li>• Allocation of fuel to provinces increasing</li> <li>• Black market fuel prices decreasing</li> <li>• Macroeconomic stability and viability increasing</li> <li>• Business development improving</li> <li>• Agricultural development improving</li> <li>• Employment in Baghdad and nine key cities increasing</li> </ul>

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- And the same kind of additional detail for “Enhance government capacity at the local and provincial levels” and “Establish the foundation for economic development at the local and provincial levels”



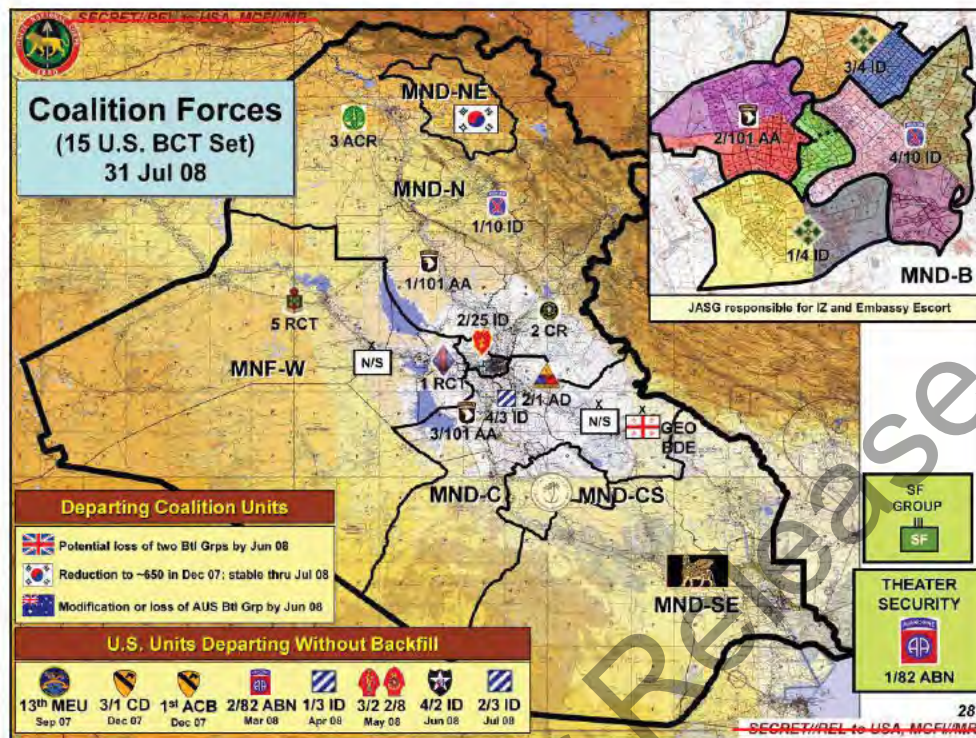


- This is how Coalition forces are arrayed to execute the concept, as of mid-December
- Main effort remains securing the population, with priority to Baghdad
- The principal supporting effort is interdicting accelerants to sectarian violence in Baghdad and denying them sanctuary in the Baghdad Belts
- We sustain adequate Coalition force presence in outlying areas to execute other supporting efforts
- In Anbar, MNC-I continues to exploit inroads made against AQI through tribal engagement, developing and assisting the ISF, and gradually transferring security responsibility
- In the northern provinces, initial priority goes to security efforts in Diyala and Southern SaD; MNC-I sustains security gains in the Mosul area by establishing the Ninewa Operational Command and continuing to develop local ISF; conducts engagement to reduce Arab-Kurd tensions in order to prevent Sunni tribes from cooperating with AQI
- In the Kurdish region itself, we maintain current levels of stability
- In the south, Coalition forces take measures to ensure intra-Shia conflict remains localized, facilitate the transition to provincial control, or sustain it from an overwatch posture

- Integrated engagement throughout the country aims in part to isolate extremists and malign foreign actors from the population

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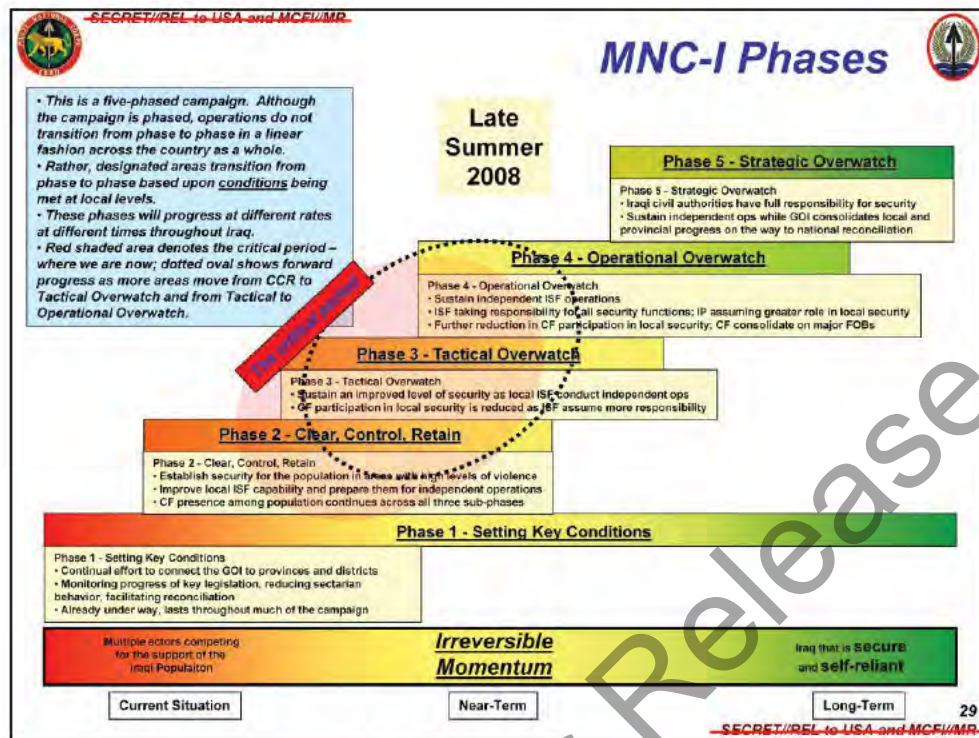




- In the near term, Coalition forces will undergo a gradual reduction
- Sequence of the U.S. BCT reduction is shown at the bottom of the slide
- It's important to note that there will be losses in the strength of key Coalition partners as well; to the extent that these losses are known, they are depicted
- This is how we expect forces to be arrayed in summer 2008 – after the 16th U.S. BCT departs without backfill
- Ways of mitigating risk resulting from the reduction – passing responsibility for IZ security to the JASG; two non-standard BDE headquarters in Anbar and Wasit Provinces to facilitate continued progress in governance and economic development, as well as engagement efforts (CENTCOM has approved the N/S HQ for Anbar; N/S HQ for Wasit pending Mar 08 assessment)
- Another way of mitigating risk is through a deliberate transition to capable, credible ISF

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- UK: current (4 BG, 14 s/u), mid-Jan 08 (3 BG, 12 s/u), Jun 08 (2 BG, 9 s/u – but decision yet to be finalized)





- Phasing construct is really the framework for transferring security responsibility to the Iraqis
- It acknowledges the existence of diverse conditions throughout the country; different parts in different phases; for example, by late summer 2008, we will have made progress – with more areas in overwatch – but other areas will remain in Clear, Control, Retain
- Red shaded area denotes the critical period – where we are now; dotted oval shows forward progress conceptually
- Phases reflect the relationship between the security environment, ISF capability, and Coalition force posture in a given area
- The general progression goes from high CF involvement in providing security in earlier phases, decreasing over time
- In Phase 2 – establishing security through a deliberate clear-control-retain approach in partnership with the Iraqis
- In Phase 3 – ISF conducting independent operations but with substantial Coalition assistance; gradual shift in CF posture initiated at the end of Phase 2 continues; this re-posturing involves a “thinning of the line” that allows routine CF interaction with the population to diminish as the ISF assumes more responsibility for security
- In Phase 4 – ISF sustain independent operations – with growing IP lead in population centers; further reduction in CF interaction with the populace and a noticeable decline in CF presence as forces consolidate on major FOBs



- In Phase 5 – All elements of the ISF performing their functions; full responsibility lies with the Iraqi civil authorities

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**Major Tasks by Phase**  
*For Coalition Forces*

Phases apply to a designated locale or area – not necessarily unit AOs or entire provinces

CF tasks by phase vary depending on local conditions, generally reflecting improving ISF capability

Depending on the size of their AOs, BCTs and perhaps battalions could be in one or more phases and thus may execute different mission sets

Several sub-tasks fall under each major task

Sub-tasks by phase reflect a shift in emphasis over time

Coalition Force Major Tasks			
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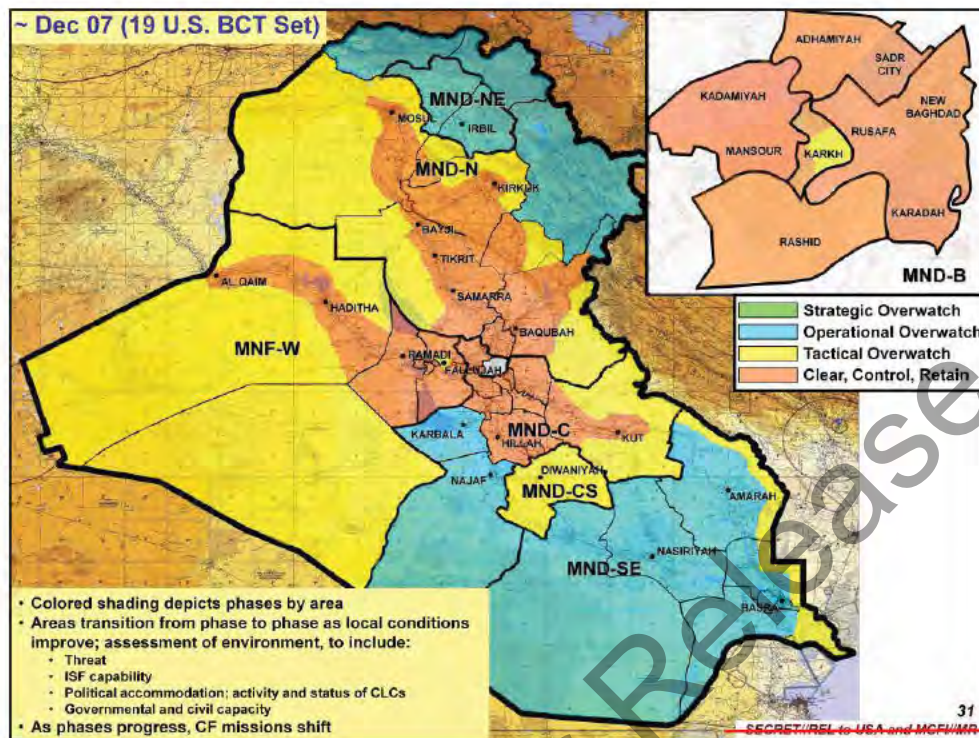
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*As phases progress, the major tasks that Coalition forces execute become fewer in number*

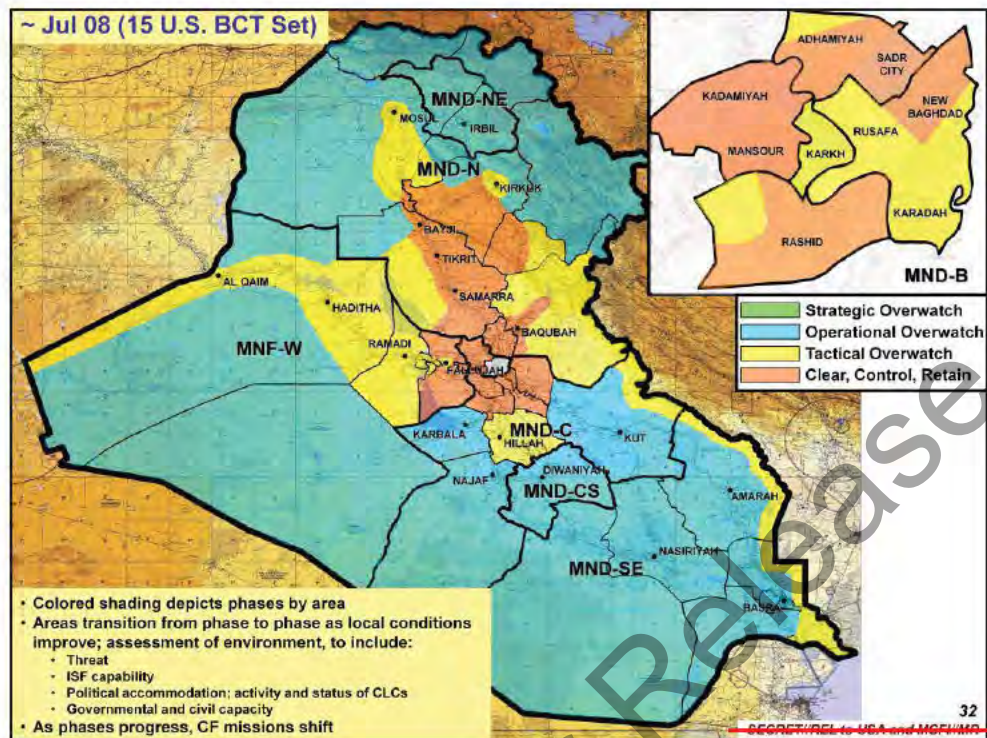
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- We elaborate on the phasing construct by providing guidance on the tasks Coalition forces conduct in each phase
- The premise is that as areas progress through phases, conditions will allow a gradual reduction of Coalition forces in those areas; with that reduction, there will be a corresponding reduction in the tasks Coalition forces perform
- As transition progresses, the major tasks of CF will shift to a different emphasis and generally reduce in scope – as depicted on this slide; in early stages of the transition, we should view the crossed-out tasks as things the Coalition will do largely by exception as the ISF assume primary responsibility for them; at some point though, some of the lined-out tasks will become things we can't do – based on the limitations that continued Coalition force reductions will impose
- Tasks evolve by phase and show changes in Coalition emphasis and approach
- For example, ISF Development and Support is a major task that CF perform in every phase; however, what CF do to develop the ISF in Clear, Control, Retain is much different than what CF do along these line in Strategic Overwatch



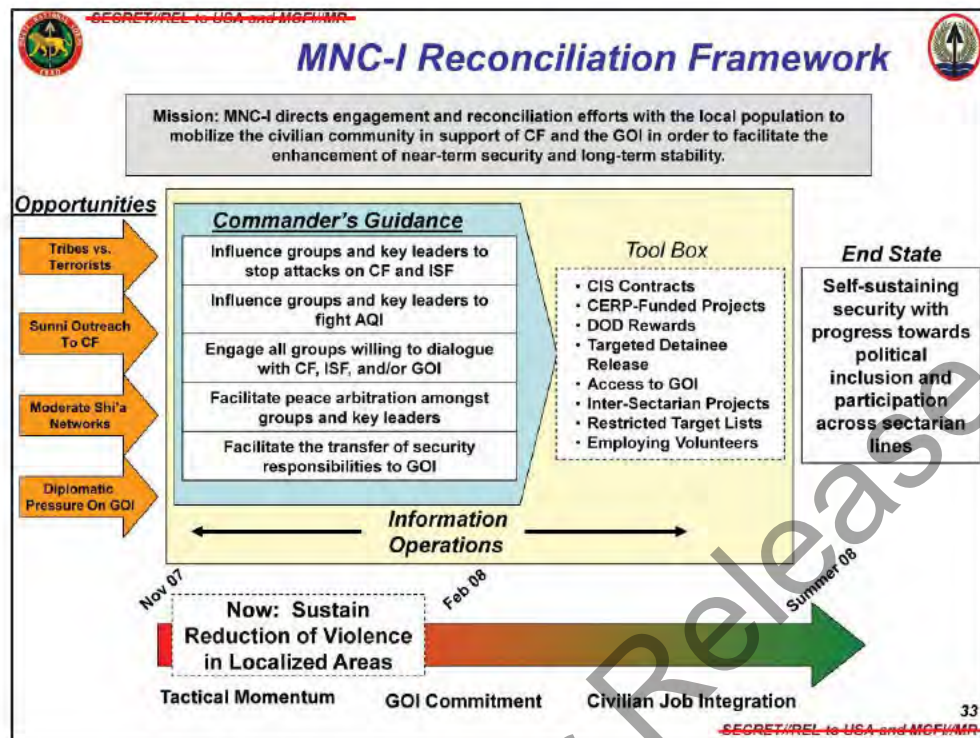


- The next two slides provide a subjective assessment of where we are currently in terms of phases – provides a snapshot of conditions by area and – in a general sense – the kinds of tasks Coalition forces are performing by area
- It also provides some insight into how we will transition
- The point is really to show that transition will not be as simple as provinces going PIC or entire BCT AO's passing into the next phase abruptly or all at once
- Transition will occur in a deliberate manner by area as conditions permit
- As complicated as this slide appears, the reality is actually more complicated – particularly in areas where capable ISF units operate in the same area as inexperienced ones



- Another subjective assessment – projecting out to summer 2008
- Note that while Coalition forces are in tactical and operational oversight in many areas, we will remain in the Clear, Control, Retain phase in key portions of the country







### Proposed MNC-I Reconciliation Mission, Intent and Endstate:

**Mission:** MNC-I directs engagement and reconciliation efforts with the local population to mobilize the civilian community in support of the CF and GOI in order to facilitate near term security and long term stability.

**Intent:** Execute a broad-based and integrated reconciliation and engagement effort at all levels utilizing a bottom up approach with top down refinement and resourcing. The focus is to engage a variety of groups in order to cause the Iraqis to reject the insurgency, to work with Iraqi Security Forces, to *participation in reconstruction and recovery efforts* and to become part of the political process, thus leading to the reduction of violence.

**End State:** *Reduction of violence and improved levels of security and stability are sustained. CLCs transition into ISF or non security jobs. GOI employment and recovery / reconstruction plans in place and effective.* The majority of the Iraqi populace rejects violence and begins to enter the political process.


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## **MNC-I Reconciliation Priorities**

- 1. Hiring CLCs into the IP**
- 2. Transition of CLCs into non-security employment**
- 3. Transition of security contracts to GOI**

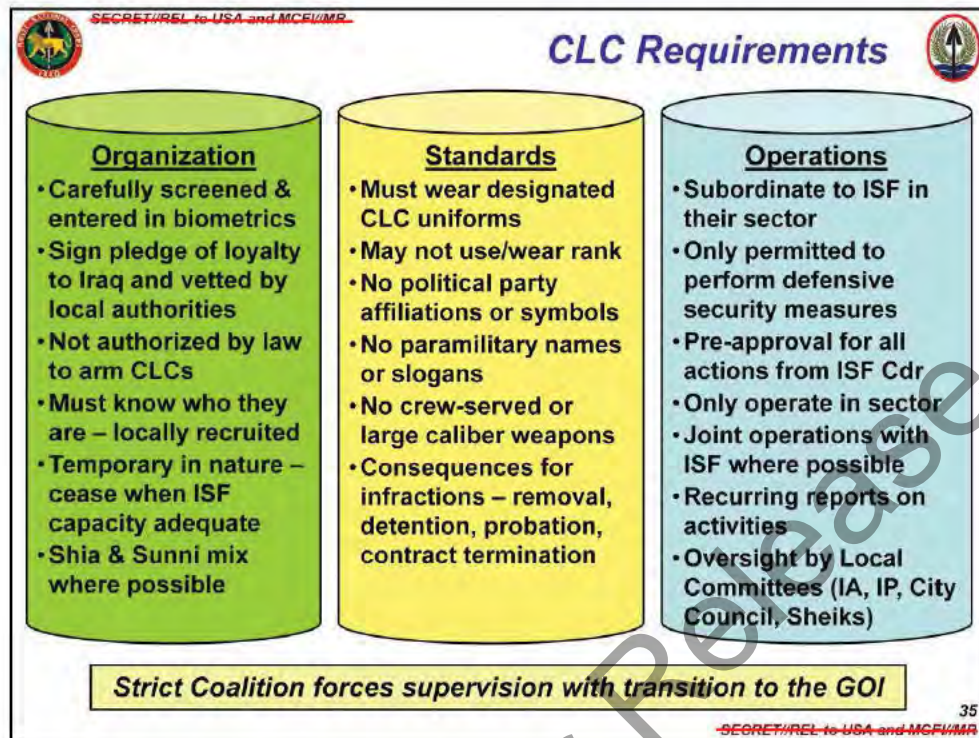
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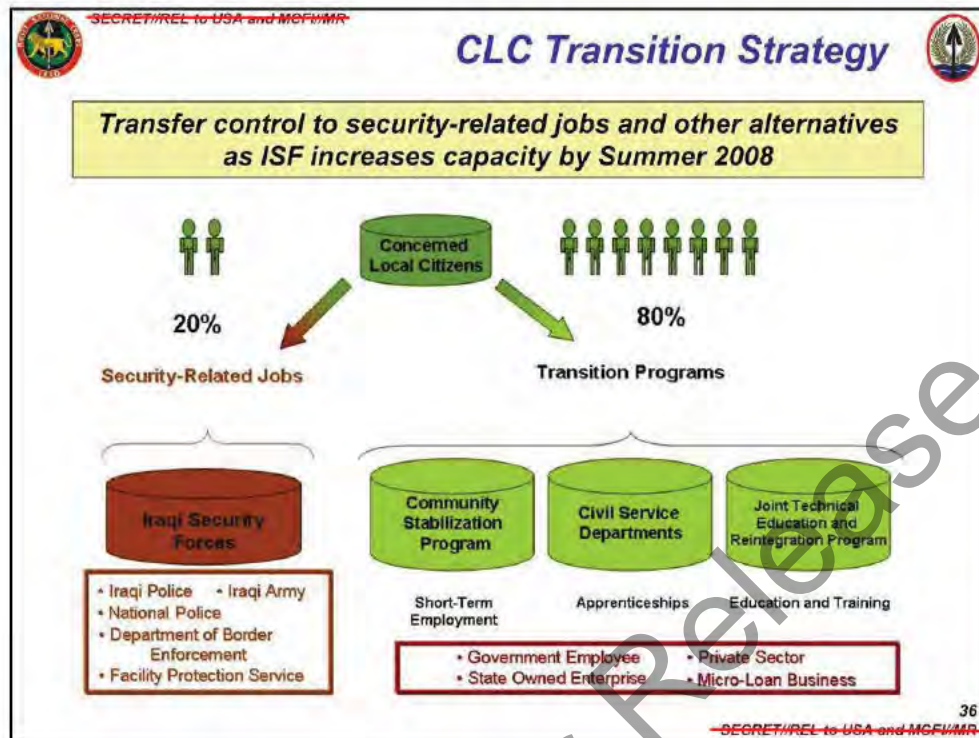
1. CLC contracted and work under direct supervision of CF
2. Contracted by CF and work under direct supervision of ISF and/or CF; CF maintain authority and oversight of CIS contract
3. Work for the ISF or transition to other employment

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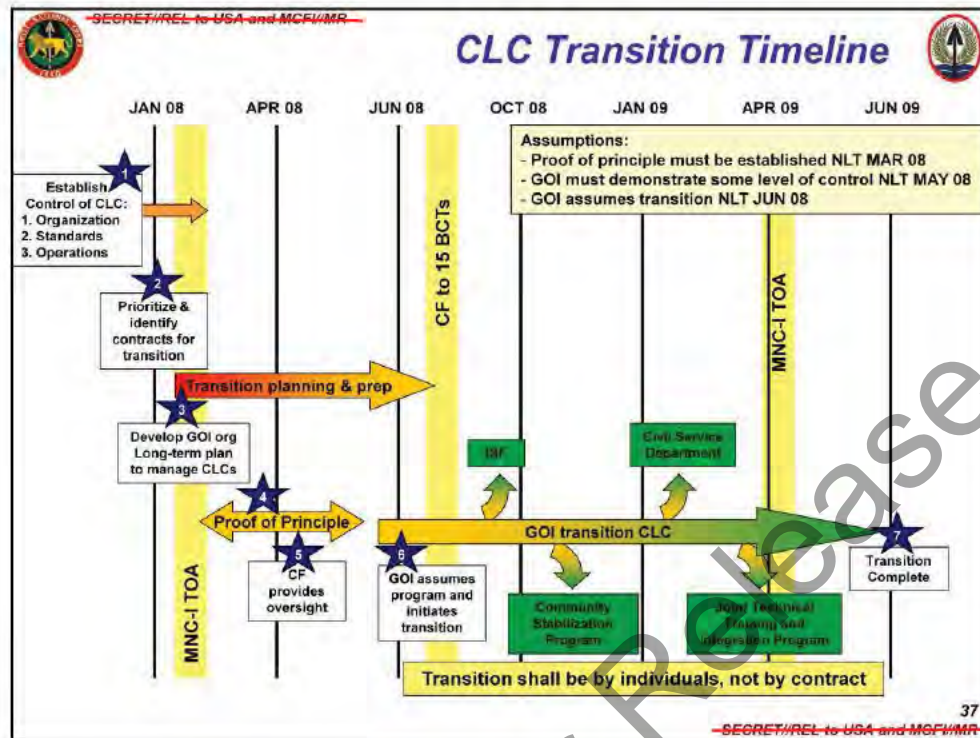
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## MNC-I Priorities for ISF Development (as at 1 Dec 07)

IRAQI ARMY	
DIV	PROVINCE
11	BAGHDAD
6	BAGHDAD
9	BAGHDAD
5	DIYALA
2	NINEWAH
1	ANBAR
14	BASRAH
4	SALAH AH DIN
3	NINEWAH
8	BABIL
10	MUTHANA

IRAQI POLICE	
BY PROVINCE	
BAGHDAD	
DIYALA	
NINEWAH	
SALAH AH DIN	
BASRAH	
TAMEEM	
QADISSIYAH	
ANBAR	
WASIT	
BABIL	
KARBALA	
MAYSAN	
NAJAF	
DAHUK	
DHI QAR	
IRBIL	
SULAMINIYAH	
MUTHANA	

NATIONAL POLICE		
HQ 5-2 NP BDE		Basrah
3-5-2 NP BN		Basrah
AA BDE		Samarra
2nd NP DIV	7-2 NP BDE	Baghdad
1st NP DIV	2-1 NP BDE	Baghdad
2nd NP DIV	5-2 NP BDE	Baghdad
1st NP DIV	4-1 NP BDE	Baghdad
1st NP DIV	3-1 NP BDE	Salmon Pak
NP Mech BDE		Baghdad (Route Irish)
2-5-2 NP BN		Balad
NP GRF		Baghdad

DBE FORCES	
Region 4 (Pn 3 for UAH)	1/4 DBE
	2/4 DBE
Region 3 (Pn 1 for UAH)	2/3 DBE
	1/3 DBE
Region 2 (Pn 2 for UAH)	2/2 DBE
	3/2 DBE
	1/2 DBE
Region 1 (Pn 4 for UAH)	3/1 DBE
	2/1 DBE
	1/1 DBE
Region 5 (Pn 5 for UAH)	1/5 DBE
	2/5 DBE

ISOF	
Priority 1	Basra (underway)
Priority 2	Mosul (underway)
Priority 3	Baqubah
Priority 4	al Asad

ISWAT			
1	National ERU	24	Mandali
2	Ramadi	25	Nasariyah 7
3	Hillah 1	26	Al Kut 1
4	Tal 'Afar SWAT 1	27	Al Kut 2
5	Hillah 2	28	Hil
6	Hillah 3	29	Kirkuk
7	Tikrit SWAT	30	Sinjar
8	Fallujah	31	Suwayrah 1
9	Ninawa	32	Suwayrah 2
10	Al Qaim	33	Suwayrah 3
11	Baqubah	34	Tal 'Afar SWAT 2
12	Muqadadiyah	35	Haditha
13	Samarra	36	Suwayrah 4
14	Diwaniyah	37	Suwayrah 5
15	Hillah 4	38	Hillah 5
16	Hillah 5	39	Rawah
17	Nasariyah 1	40	Khaniquan SWAT
18	Nasariyah 2	41	Rabiyah
19	Habbaniyah	42	Hillah 7
20	Nasariyah 3	43	Hillah 8
21	Nasariyah 4	44	Hillah 9
22	Nasariyah 5	45	Hillah 10
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## Develop ISF Capacity – Border Security Operations

### Lines of Effort

- 1. Develop DBE standards and capabilities in order that DBE forces can effectively enforce GOI regulations at land, air, and sea POEs.**
  - ☐ Emphasis on Iraqi led, controlled and sustained Border Forces.
  - ☐ Continued deployment of Border Transition Teams at Border Forts, Ports of Entry and at DBE National Headquarters in order to provide training, guidance and access to Coalition Force enablers.
  - ☐ Continued deployment of Border Security Advisors and Contracted Border Advisors in order to mentor DBE personnel as they gain the confidence and professional competence required to conduct Iraqi led and supported border security operations.
  - ☐ Equip DBE / POE forces IAW OPORD 08-01 priorities.
  - ☐ Enhance Iraq POEs by integrating the use of field BAT, HIIDE, Iraqi's AFIS and vehicle screening systems at each POE (Backscatter / VACIS); ensuring PISCES operational at each POE with increased Watch-List capability and adequate manning and sustainment for each POE.
- 2. Effective border enforcement and interdiction operations at land sea, air POEs and against smuggling routes and networks.**
  - ☐ Establish & maintain permanent presence (NLT Jun 08 with BTTs, DHS personnel) at specific ports of entry IOT disrupt the flow of foreign terrorists and facilitators and illegal munitions from flowing into Iraq.
  - ☐ Develop intelligence IAW Corps priorities on the land portions of the border in support of border security operations in order to develop actionable intelligence on smuggling networks.
  - ☐ Conduct intelligence-led, border interdiction operations against identified AIF targets or nodes with available conventional CF, IA, IP, SOF, and/or ISOF in order to prevent the entry of foreign fighters, terrorists and their weapons.
  - ☐ Interdict illegal cross border activity (EFP, FF&F/TF and smugglers).
  - ☐ Conduct long-term efforts that focus on improving Iraqi-led border enforcement operations to include in-depth border security conducted by an agency (DBE) that is capable of developing and using intelligence, conducting law enforcement operations and applying international standards to encourage and support lawful commercial trade.
- 3. Fully integrated border enforcement operations with CF oversight.**
  - ☐ Achieve an overall ORA level 2 for DBE and POE forces.
  - ☐ Maintain oversight of sustainment, maintenance, logistics and funding programs.
  - ☐ Maintain oversight of the enforcement of DBE border policy, customs, immigration and passport standards.
  - ☐ Continue oversight of border related operations.

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## Develop ISF Capacity – Logistics



- ☐ Continued engagement with ISF units to develop new logistics structures. Assist in the development of robust logistics procedures for life support, sustainability, and equipment repair/exchange in order to reduce dependence of MOD and MOI forces on CF.
- ☐ Work with IA Logisticians to develop new Base Support Units and Log Support Battalions dedicated to each Division
- ☐ Track status of IA Force Generation equipping and materiel readiness via the monthly and quarterly IA equipment status report process. Develop and implement a single consistent inventory tracking process.
- ☐ Mentor ISF leaders and technicians to find organic solutions to logistics problems.
- ☐ Be prepared to supplement (if necessary) intra-theatre operational mobility for IA Mech forces.
- ☐ Monitor the utilization of all classes of supply, services, and maintenance and provide guidance or emergency distribution to resolve logistics shortfalls.
- ☐ Assist the GOI to develop MOD and MOI self-sufficient maintenance capability.

NLT December 2008, MOD Iraqi Security Forces will be self-reliant in logistics at the tactical and operational levels. Coalition Forces will provide limited emergency logistical support and continue to assist with the development of logistics capability as required. MOI logistics will continue to mature, though at a slower pace due to aggressive IP expansion. Work to influence an aggressive MOI logistics improvement commensurate with IP expansion.

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## **Develop ISF Capacity – IPS Development Program**

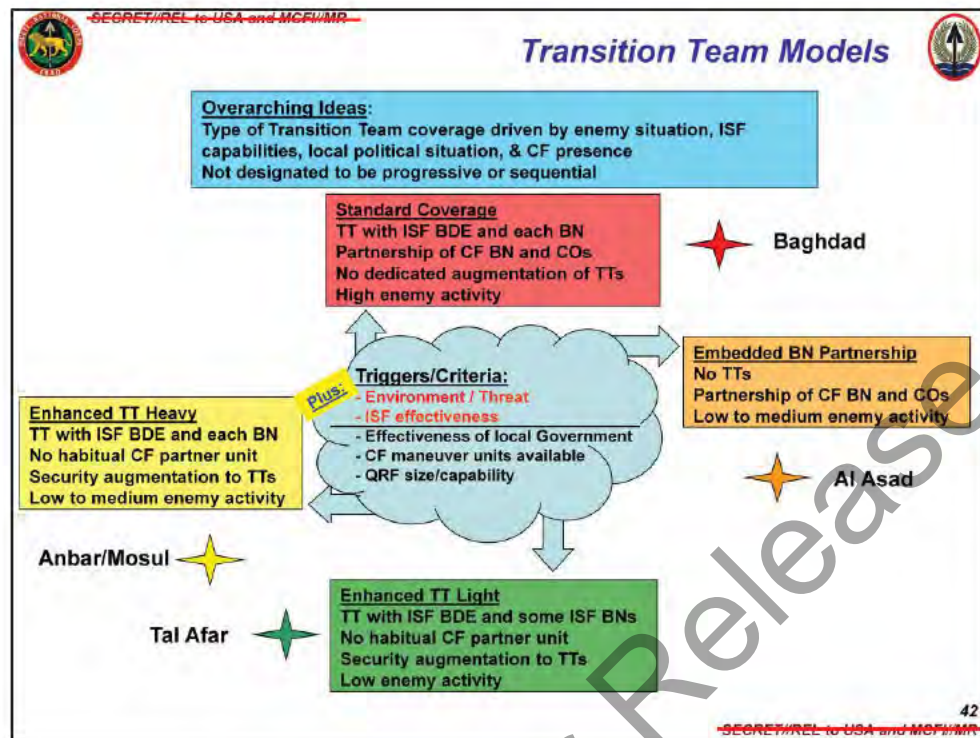
- ☐ **Continues development of IPS to promote *police primacy* and to achieve enduring capability**
  - ☐ Law Enforcement competencies to apprehend, process, and support investigations, adjudications, and incarcerations
  - ☐ Station systems of administration, logistics, maintenance, station refurbishment, and force protection
- ☐ **Shift focus from the Station/Shurta to PDoP/District, focus will be on systems, process, and SOPs based on the Police Essential Task List (PETL)**
  - ☐ Focus will be on 7 critical tasks: Leadership, Administration, Operations, Logistics/Sustainment, Investigations, Facilities, and Training
  - ☐ PTTs with IPAs will focus on developing Iraqi counterparts at Provincial and District Headquarters IAW the PETL; PTTs will continue to cover stations as required
- ☐ **Iraq Expansion Plan will increase quantity and quality of infrastructure and personnel required by each province**
  - ☐ Requires MND/Fs to evaluate their provinces and determine additional IPs and stations required
  - ☐ Enables IPs to maintain security in their assigned neighborhoods creating an enduring law enforcement capability
  - ☐ Provides another opportunity to integrate CLCs into more sustainable employment as part of Iraq's formal security apparatus

**Short-Term Program Objectives**  
Integrated multi-sectarian station, patrol and traffic operations providing freedom of movement and safe and secure neighborhoods in accordance with the rule of law.

**Long-Term Program Objectives**  
A quality and enduring Iraqi police force capable of apprehending, processing and supporting the investigations, adjudicating and incarcerating of criminals IAW rule of law; providing civil order; sustaining public confidence and trust and developing processes and procedures to create an enduring Law Enforcement capability for the future of Iraq

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There is no “one” solution for Transition Team coverage

The major change to 08-01 by IAG was the addition of the previously briefed and approved transition team concepts and models.

This slide is presented to reintroduce the recommended transition team models and the overarching ideas for the coverage concepts.


TT coverage is driven by the CDR’s assessment of the environment, with the triggers and criteria shown in the cloud. This allows for increased flexibility to adjust transition team coverage according to a varied set of conditions.

Around the trigger/criteria “cloud” are boxes that represent each TT model and provide a brief explanation of each.

The stars represent operational environments that could support a specific model.


- For example, Baghdad OE is representative of an area that has until recently supported 1:1 Standard Coverage.
- On the other hand, an area such as Tal Afar in MND-N may offer conditions where Enhanced Light coverage may be appropriate.





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**Transition Team Way Ahead**



- ☐ **The improvement of security and ISF capability in various areas of Iraq provided the opportunity to re-look transition team concepts**
  - ☐ New models developed to take advantage of differing environments throughout Iraq
  - ☐ Build on the advisory and transition momentum created by the legacy TT concept
- ☐ **Near-term**
  - ☐ Each MND analyzed TT coverage requirements based on their current and projected resources and METT-TC
    - ☐ Projected coverage plan will cover 85 of the 89 future shortages
    - ☐ Projected external TT gains of four teams based on approval of RFF 648 mod 3
  - ☐ IAG will track TT coverage plans with MND/F monthly and brief during TT updates
- ☐ **Long-term**
  - ☐ Continue with current strategy
    - ☐ Inherent flexibility as environmental conditions change
    - ☐ Bridge necessary to build framework for "Advisory/Assistance BDEs"

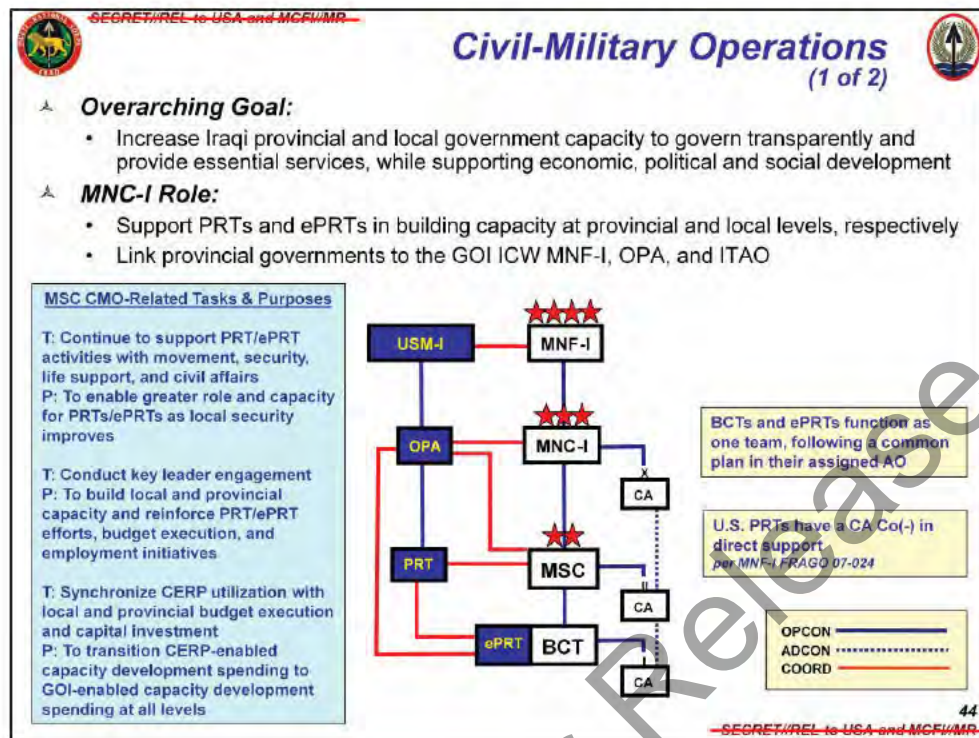
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The improvement of security and ISF capability in various areas of Iraq provided the opportunity to re-look current transition team concepts. IAG developed three new transition team models, presented in the previous slide, to take advantage of the differing environments throughout the theater of operations. These models are designed to build on the advisory and transition momentum created by the legacy transition team concept.

The new models were introduced to the ground commanders as recommendations to allow them the ability to provide coverage and mitigate the growing shortages. The developed coverage plan will cover 85 of 89 projected shortages, with the remaining 4 shortages filled by the ultimate sourcing of RFF 648 mod 3.

In the long term, we expect the transition team concepts laid out in 08-01 to provide inherent flexibility as environments change, act as the bridge to the next transition team strategy and allow the ground commanders the ability to adjust strategies based on shifting phases of over watch.



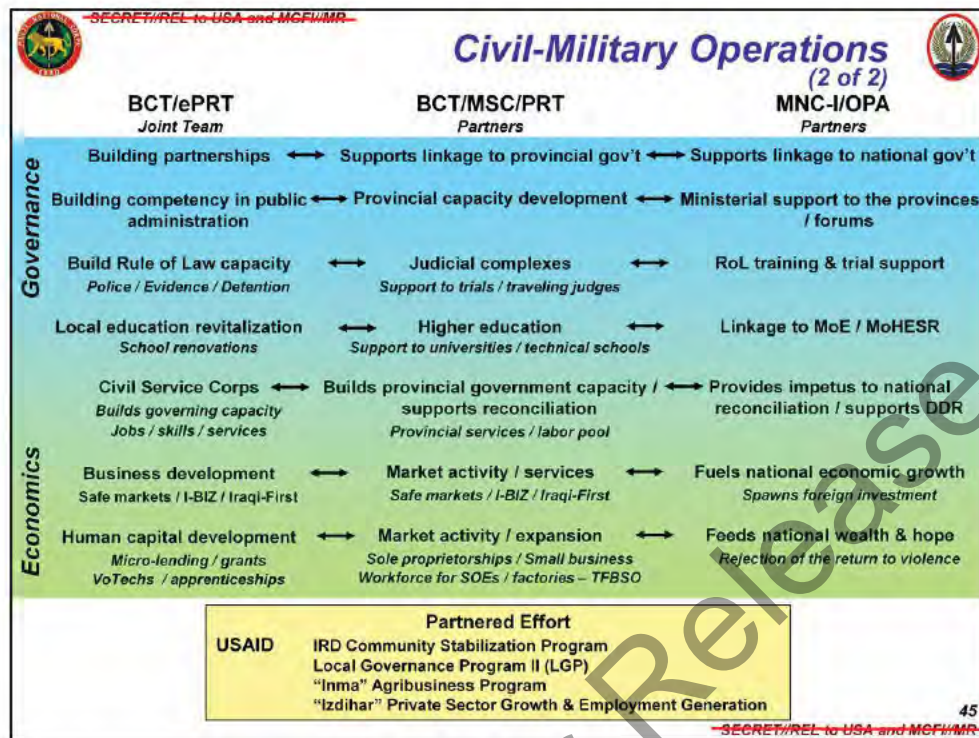
MNC-I and its subordinate units will continue to support PRTs and ePRTs in building capacity at provincial and local levels in support of the overall goal of improving the Iraqi capacity to govern with transparency and accountability, provide essential services, and develop economic, political and social systems.

That support is defined according to the relationships shown here and outlined in detail in the DOS/DOD MOU of 22 February 07. That support will include, but is not limited to providing life support, QRF, transportation, medical, security, and communications. Operationally, the PRTs and MNDs work together as a team to support the Joint Common Plan agreed to by the COM and MNF-I.

The MSCs will conduct key leader engagements to encourage local and provincial government interaction and to facilitate local and provincial awareness of available capacity building programs.

As local and provincial governments improve in budget execution and become more financially self reliant, there should be a corresponding reduction in CERP utilization.






Depicts the linkage of various efforts that together will assist Iraq in meeting the objectives of self-sustaining economic growth and enhancing government capacity at all levels. At the Provincial and Local level, MSCs ICW the PRTs and ePRTs, employ a number of different programs and initiatives to address economic and governance challenges specific to their AO. Most of the key government-enhancing initiatives are supported by the PRT through programs such as Local Governance Program II and the Community Action Program. Both of these programs are sponsored by USAID and provide advisors to the Director Generals as well as consultation, key leader engagement and training to improve capacity of the ministers at Provincial Level.


Economic growth will continue through a number of programs such as VoTechs, Micro Grants, and other CERP-funded initiatives. Through reconciliation efforts, we are beginning to transition CLCs and other community-based security organizations into the ISF and CSC for longer term employment opportunities. Iraqi Based Industrial Zones will continue to set local conditions for economic growth at the MSC level by adding local enterprises to the base support infrastructure. MSCs will continue to identify Safe Market areas for rehabilitation in support of local economies and will emphasize VoTech enrollment as a means of producing skilled laborers.

Finally, TF-BSO will focus on the rehabilitation of State Owned Enterprises nationwide in an effort to employ the greatest number of Iraqis in a cost-effective and timely manner. At the same time, they will work through diplomatic channels to promote Iraqi products regionally and internationally.

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**Rule of Law**

✧ **Overarching Goal:**

- MNC-I improves the legitimacy and effectiveness of the Iraqi criminal justice system in order to increase the primacy of the rule of law

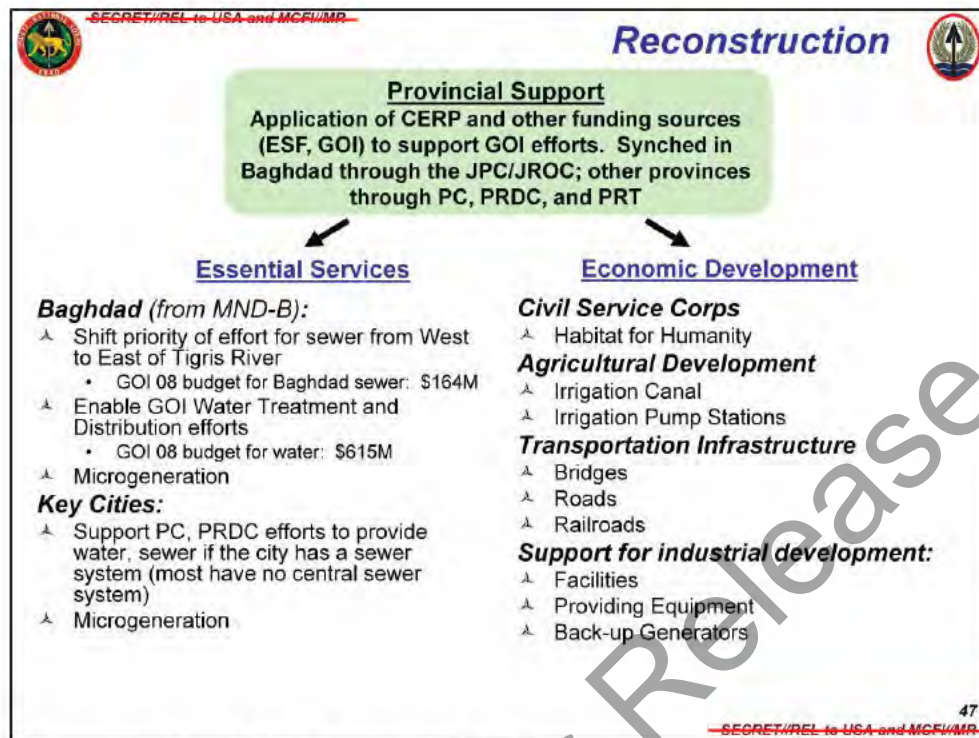
✧ **Objectives:**

- Improve judicial throughput for major crimes cases (i.e., terrorism)
- Reduce detention overcrowding
- Ensure due process for detainees

✧ **MNC-I will focus on two primary axes to accomplish the stated objectives:**

- Measures to improve the **Judicial Process**
  - Establish secure judicial complexes in key locations of Iraq (*priorities: Ramadi (construction set to begin in Mar 08); then Mosul, Baquba, Tikrit, Kirkuk, and Basra*)
  - Local improvement projects for courthouses with a focus on the key cities
  - Collect statistical data regarding functioning and infrastructure of the criminal justice system
- Measures to improve the **Investigative Process**
  - Create traveling Investigative Training Team to provide on site training to police, police investigators, and judicial investigators in order to improve the sufficiency of criminal packets
  - Improve coordination between Investigative Judges and Police/Judicial Investigators to ensure proper completion of criminal packets
  - Improve the flow of detainees from point of capture to investigative hearing and trial

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At the Provincial level, MNC-I supports local government efforts to improve quality of life for Iraqi citizens through improvements in essential services and support for economic development. CERP is the primary tool to repair infrastructure and increase GOI capacity to provide essential services in Iraq at the provincial level. Battle space owners coordinate projects with local GOI governments, Provincial Reconstruction Development Councils (PRDC), local ministerial Director Generals and Provincial Reconstruction Teams (PRT) to identify requirements in order to increase GOI capacity. This coordination is critical and ensures the project has a transition plan to be supported and maintained by the GOI upon completion.

For Essential Services, priority of effort is to the population of Baghdad and then the nine key cities. MNC-I supports the GOI efforts to improve essential services in Baghdad by supporting efforts of the Joint Planning Commission/ JROC and recently formed Iraqi Service Providing Commission. These organizations provide a forum for coordination among all levels of the GOI, USG Interagency and Coalition Forces to improve GOI capacity to provide essential services to the Citizens of Baghdad. In Baghdad, the priorities are:

- Shift priority of effort for sewer from West to East of Tigris River
- Enable Government Water Treatment and Distribution efforts (The City has requested \$573M for water projects in 2008)
- Micro-generation will continue to be necessary while the Minister of Electricity works to improve power generation capabilities to bridge the gap between demand and supply.

In the nine other key cities, MSCs support PC, PRDC efforts to provide essential services to the population including sewer, water, electricity and trash.

For Economic Development, MNC-I supports local economic development initiatives which improve employment opportunities for Iraqis. Engineers support the Civil Service Corps, an MNC-I economic development and employment initiative by providing technical training, engineering planning and design, construction quality control and partnering with organizations involved in this initiative.



**Agricultural Development:** MSCs support agricultural development efforts through cleaning and refurbishment of canals, drainage systems and pump stations.

**For Transportation infrastructure,** priority shifts where appropriate from infrastructure that has operational impact to roads and bridges which connect rural areas to markets and support industrial and agricultural development and access to markets.

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## Infrastructure Security

**Enabling Iraq's Transition to an Increased Focus on Services**

MNC-I continually reassesses the balance between resources enabling population security and resources that enable security of Iraq's infrastructure.



Population Security Infrastructure Security

As demand continues to increase for Iraqi services, CF will continue to partner and support Iraqi-led initiatives that enable the GOI to provide more for the people



CF will continue to support ISF operations that enable:

<u>Combined Initiatives</u>	<u>Ministry Initiatives</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Improved distribution of fuel</li><li>• Electrical services to the people of Iraq</li><li>• Baghdad 400 KV Loop</li><li>• Baghdad Product Ring</li><li>• Exclusion Zones – Bayji to Kirkuk and Bayji to Baghdad</li><li>• Fuel to Power Plants</li><li>• Maintain Strategic Oil Infrastructure</li><li>• Iraqi Railroad Operations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ministry of Electricity<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Support development / installation of incremental generating capacity</li><li>• Plan for 2009 and 2010</li><li>• Incorporate private generators</li></ul></li><li>• Ministry of Oil<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increase crude exports</li><li>• Capture associated natural gas</li><li>• Provide fuel for electricity generation</li><li>• Fix product pricing</li></ul></li></ul>

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## Information Operations

- ✧ ***Integrates influence strategies and shaping operations across all LOOs to:***
  - Influence perceptions
  - Disrupt hostile actions
- ✧ ***Shapes the perceptions of the Iraqi populace towards the GOI and ISF, reinforced by Iraqi-led efforts***
- ✧ ***MNC-I Critical IO Tasks:***
  - Disrupt Shi'a extremists and criminals
  - Disrupt AQI / Sunni extremists and criminals
  - Degrade malign foreign influence
  - Promote GOI credibility
  - Shape perception, communicating that CF presence serves Iraqi interests
- ✧ ***IO objectives are nested with the MNC-I Commander's Intent to continue progress in the following areas, ultimately enabling conditions that support Iraqi self-reliance:***
  - Security
  - GOI/ISF capacity, effectiveness, and representation
  - Reconciliation
  - Improved essential services
  - Sustained economic growth

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- Information operations plays a key role in effective communications and is integrated across all LOOs IOT dominate the Information Environment. To support influence efforts in the operational environment, Corps IO will integrate Effective Communications laterally across the staff, as well as from the tactical through strategic levels, to ensure relevant and timely coordination of Information Operations.
- We will plan IO to influence primarily the perceptions of the populace – focusing on the fence-sitters and “undecided” – to build support for the GoI and ISF, while disrupting the actions of extremists, militias, and criminals.
- IO will coordinate and synchronize appropriate activities and resources to support Iraqi-led actions that demonstrate GoI/ISF effectiveness and credibility nationally, provincially, and locally.
- IO has 5 assigned critical tasks that support Corps near-term objectives --- (listed above). Execution of these tasks will require close coordination and synchronization with MNF-I and USM-I.
- Our IO Objectives are nested with your Commander's Intent and support these areas --- (listed above).
- In the current COIN environment, the key capabilities impacting populace perceptions are Public Affairs, PSYOP, CA / CMO, lethal ops and engagements.
- IO cell is simultaneously conducting long-range planning, projecting 12-18 months out IOT offensively shape the Information Environment, allowing MNC-I to maintain a position of influence advantage and forcing adversaries

**into defensive postures.**

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Information Operations Objectives-Tasks Crosswalk		
MNC-I NEAR-TERM OBJECTIVES MNC-I CRITICAL IO TASKS	IO OBJECTIVES	IO TASKS TO MSCs and Staff
<b>Secure the population</b> (1) Disrupt Shi'a extremists and criminals (2) Disrupt AQI / Sunni extremists and criminals (3) Disrupt malign foreign influence	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Iraqi populace rejects Shi'a extremists and criminals</li> <li>2 Iraqi populace rejects AQI / Sunni extremists and criminals</li> <li>3 Iraqi populace does not support IED / IDF networks</li> <li>4 Iraqi populace rejects malign foreign influence in Iraq</li> <li>5 Iraqi populace perceives there is effective security</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>#1: Disrupt Adversary Operational Capabilities</li> <li>#2: Disrupt IED / IDF Networks</li> <li>#6: Promote Reconciliation</li> <li>#3: [REDACTED]</li> <li>#4: Disrupt Foreign Terrorists &amp; Facilitators</li> </ol>
<b>Enhance ISF capacity</b> (1) Disrupt Shi'a extremists and criminals (2) Disrupt AQI / Sunni extremists and criminals (3) Disrupt malign foreign influence (4) Promote GOI credibility (5) Shape perception CF serve Iraqi interests	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 Iraqi populace perceives there is effective security</li> <li>8 Iraqi populace perceives the ISF as effective and non-sectarian</li> <li>12 Iraqi populace perceives continued CF presence will serve Iraqi interests</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>#1: Disrupt Adversary Operational Capabilities</li> <li>#2: Disrupt IED / IDF Networks</li> <li>#3: 1.4b, 1.4d</li> <li>#4: Disrupt Foreign Terrorists &amp; Facilitators</li> <li>#5: Promote GOI Capacity Building &amp; Governance Efforts</li> <li>#6: Promote Reconciliation</li> </ol>
<b>Enhance government capacity at local and provincial level</b> (3) Disrupt malign foreign influence (4) Promote GOI credibility (5) Shape perception CF serve Iraqi interests	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7 Iraqi populace perceives all levels of government as effective at providing essential services</li> <li>9 Iraqi populace rejects corruption within all levels of government</li> <li>10 Iraqi populace perceives participation in the political process will serve their interests</li> <li>14 Iraqi populace perceives the GOI as effective and representative</li> <li>12 Iraqi populace perceives continued CF presence will serve Iraqi interests</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>#3: 1.4b, 1.4d</li> <li>#5: Promote GOI Capacity Building &amp; Governance Efforts</li> <li>#6: Promote Reconciliation</li> <li>#7: Demonstrate Partnership with GOI &amp; Iraqi Populace</li> <li>#8: Demonstrate CF Capability During Reposturing Operations</li> <li>#9: Promote CF credibility and commitment to Iraq</li> </ol>
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**Public Affairs Operations**



△ **MNC-I conducts public affairs across all LOOs**

△ **Desired effects**

- Increase Western, Iraqi, and Pan-Arab audiences
- Understand Coalition goals
- Emphasize improvements in basic services

△ **Desired means of delivery**

- Engage key "opinion-makers" across a wide spectrum
- Media "embeds"
- Senior leader engagements
- Increase number of Soldier engagements in market outreach
- Internal information program

△ **Concept**

- Broad public affairs guidance
- Aggressive leader engagement

△ **Guidelines for media interaction**

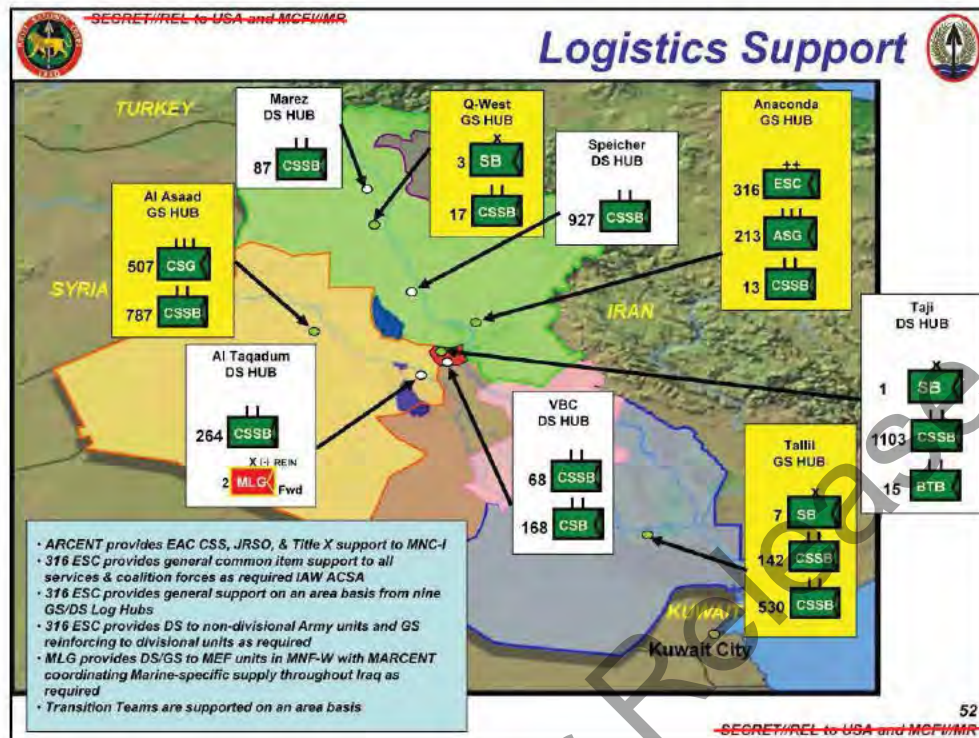
- Stay in your lane
- Don't criticize the Iraqis

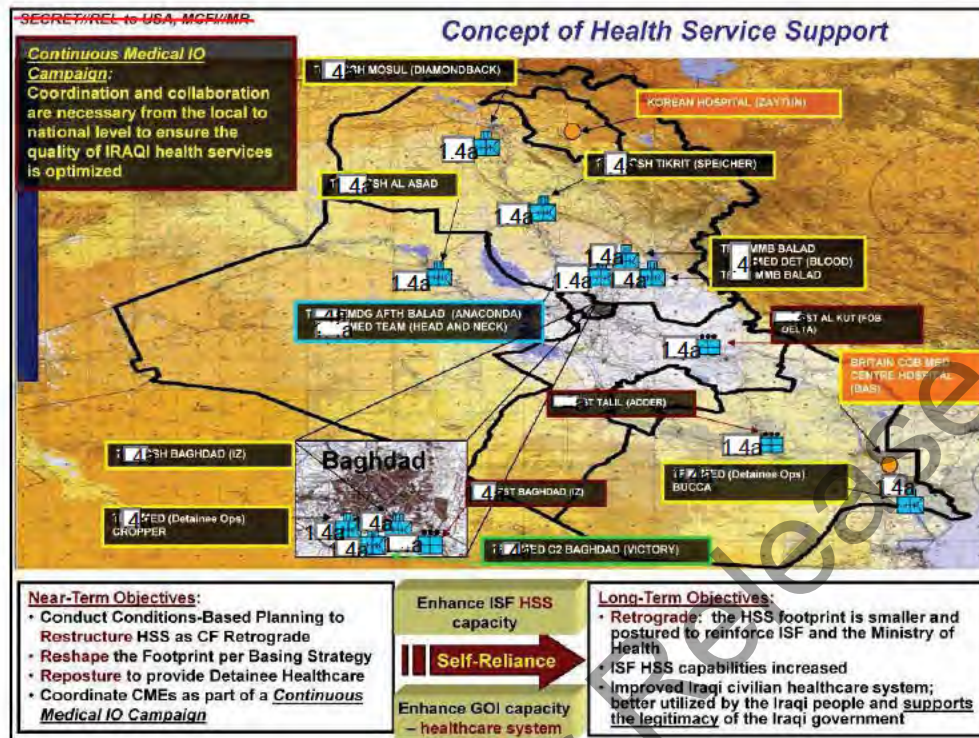
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Public Affairs transcends across all Lines of Operation highlighting successes and countering misinformation and propaganda. The desired effects will be that western, Iraqi and Pan-Arab audiences will increase, there will be an understanding of Coalition goals, and we will emphasize improvements in "basic" services. The desired means for delivering these messages will be thru media embeds, senior leader engagements, soldier engagements focusing on specific markets and a robust internal information program..... We will continue PA operations by focusing on past successes such as Pentagon Press Brief and senior-leader interviews with the major media outlets. We will also promote BCT engagements with medium and larger media markets.

The overarching concept of MNC-I Public Affairs operations is to 1) issue broad public affairs guidance and talking points and 2) promote aggressive MNC-I leader engagement with media outlets, and use their good judgment and experience to tell the MNC-I story, being mindful to stay in their lane of expertise and not criticize Iraqis in front of the media.









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## Concept of ISR Support

**The MNC-I C2**

- Coordinate/synchronize intelligence operations and employment of EAD collection assets
- Coordinate theater, national, and multi-national collection operations

**Collection assets requirements will exceed capacity**

- Allocated based on the mission
- Weighted to support the MNC-I Commander's priorities

**MNC-I C2 ISR Priorities are:**

- Counter-IED/Cache
- Target Development (kinetic/non-kinetic)
- Sectarian activity (i.e., violence, corruption)
- Infiltration routes

**No change to the MND/F priorities of support**

**Way ahead**

- MNC-I C2 decentralizes ISR to the fullest extent possible; maximum flexibility to the BCT CDRs
- Transition lead for I&W to National Assets via Reachback
- As conditions permit, transition lead for COIN to ISF

**Key Intelligence Tasks:**

- ▲ Support Counterinsurgency Operations (COIN), to include Key Leader Engagements (KLE)
- ▲ Support Counter-terrorism (CT), to include HVT/HVI Tracking and Assessment
- ▲ Support Iraqi Partners
- ▲ Support Force Protection (FP)
- ▲ Support Information Operations (IO)

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**Purpose -** Provide actionable intelligence and relevant operational level analysis to support MNC-I decisions and enable MSC combat and stability operations.

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**Support Counter-terrorism (CT), to include HVT/HVI Tracking and Assessment**

**Support Iraqi Partners**

**Support Force Protection (FP)**

**Support Information Operations (IO)**

**Endstate -** Integrated Corps Intelligence coherently supports the achievement of Corps objectives.

The MNC-I C2 will coordinate and synchronize intelligence operations of the staff, MSCs, and national agency activities in support of the MNC-I commander's intelligence requirements. MNC-I C2 will direct the employment of EAD collection assets and will coordinate theater, national, and multi-national collection operations with MNF-I to maximize collection efficiencies and effectiveness across the Corps. Recognizing that collection assets requirements will exceed capacity, they will be allocated based on the mission and weighted to support the MNC-I Commander's priorities. To further support operations, MNC-I will synchronize multi-disciplined collection.

**MNC-I C2 will decentralize ISR to the fullest extent possible IOT provide maximum flexibility to the BCT Commanders conducting the COIN fight. As MNC-I transitions from Clear, Control, Retain to Tactical and Operational Oversight, robust intelligence support to BCTs becomes increasingly important.**

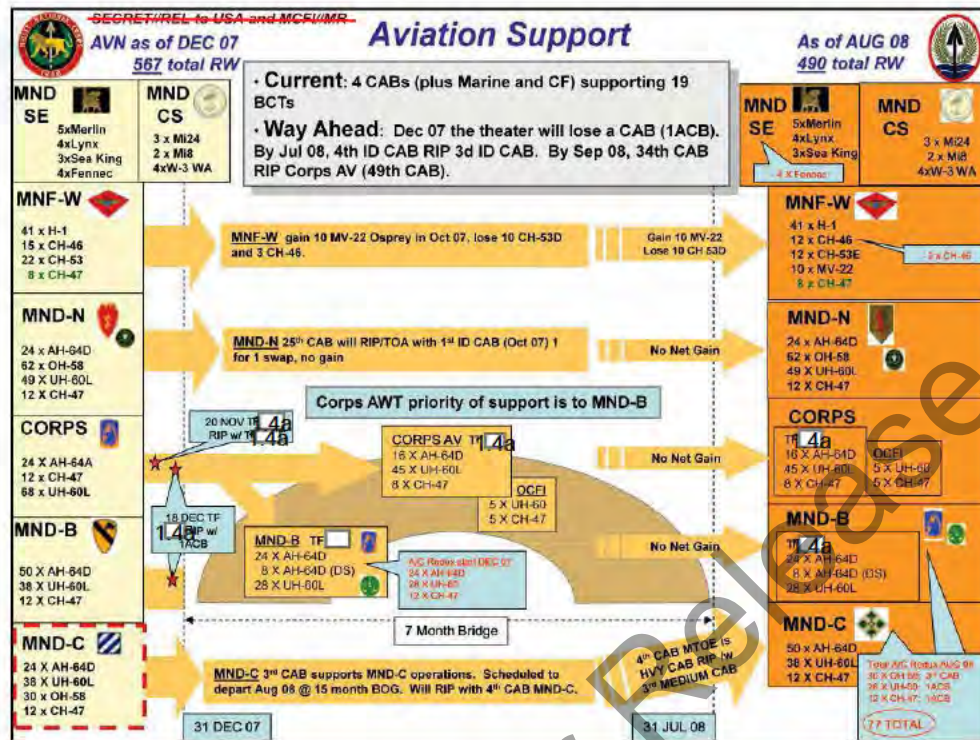
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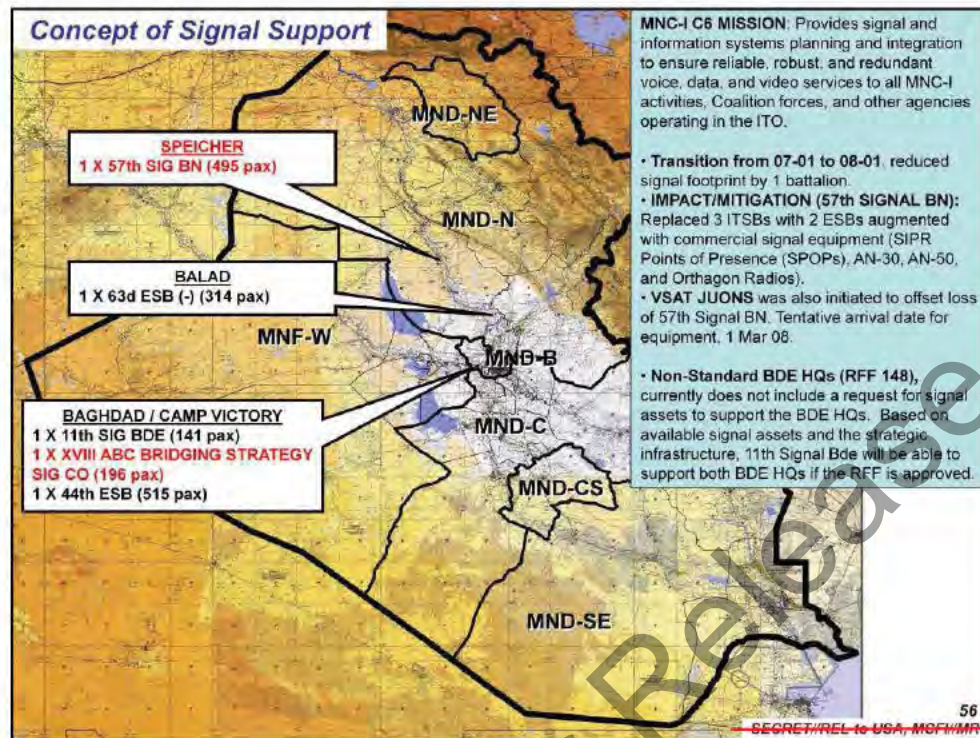
**Counter-IED/Cache/ERW**

**Target Development (Kinetic and Non-Kinetic)**  
**Sectarian Violence**  
**Border Monitoring**

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Way Ahead

- 14 Dec 07 – Orders brief to MSCs and Separate Commands
- 16 Dec 07 – Order published
- MSC Briefings to CG, MNC-I
  - MND-C – 8 Jan
  - MND-N – 10 Jan
  - 316 ESC – 13 Jan
  - CJSOTF – 15 Jan
  - MND-B – 16 Jan
  - MND-CS – 17 Jan
  - MNF-W – 20 Jan
  - MND-SE – TBD
  - MND-NE – TBD
- Briefings to DCG (US), MNC-I
  - 7 Jan – 20th EN BDE; TF 1.4a AVN
  - 8 Jan – 18th MP BDE; 525th BFSB; 11th SIG BDE
  - 9 Jan – TF 1.4a JCCS-1
  - 10 Jan – 62d MED BDE; TF 1.4a 360th CA BDE

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- We expect the order to be published in a couple of days
- The next related milestones are the MSC briefings to the Commanding General and the separates' briefings to MG Simmons
- Dates depicted here are what we are currently tracking



 ~~SECRET//REL to USA and MCF/MP~~ **OPORD 08-01 Backbrief Requirements**   
*MND/Fs, 316 ESC, CJSOTF-AP*

▲ **The backbrief on your plan to execute OPORD 08-01 should include, at a minimum:**

1. An **environmental assessment** of your AO; both now and in August 2008.
2. How your plan accomplishes **key tasks listed in the MNC-I Commander's Intent**.
3. What is your plan to execute a deliberate, area-by-area transition to tactical and operational overwatch?  
Where? When? How?
4. How will you control, vet, monitor, and execute the **CLC programs** and then support the GOI as they transition CLCs to the ISF or the civil sector?
5. How will you support the **MNC-I information operations** objectives in OPORD 08-01?
6. How will you continue to **develop and assist the ISF** and help build ISF capacity sustainable over time?
  - Partnership / TT Coverage
  - Equipping / Manning
  - Collective Training
  - Logistical Capacity
  - Leader Development
7. How will you support and enable **PRT/ePRTs** to improve governance and economic development?
8. How will you fulfill requirements for **detainee release** operations to reinforce local Iraqi reconciliation initiatives?
9. Provide a detailed brief on the employment of **corps- and theater-level ISR** assets apportioned to your organization.



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- Backbrief guidance provided in the DTU entry published a week or so ago
- More guidance required from the corps on detainee release
- #9 reflects an update to the original DTU entry – does not pertain to MND-N, 316 ESC, MND-CS, and MND-NE





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# ***BACK-UP***

- CLC Information
- Assumptions
- Long-Term Supporting Conditions
- Phasing Construct
- Sub-Tasks by Phase
- PRT and ePRT Laydown
- Tasks to Subordinate Units


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## Concerned Local Citizens



**Definition of CLC:** A person who is part of an organized group working with CF/GOI under a CERP CIS contract or GOI contract or a security volunteer receiving no payment. CLC must take an oath to be a law-abiding citizen, is processed through BAT/HIIDE, and is registered with CF as a CLC.

**Not active:** All other individuals willing to participate in a security activity, but due to operational needs or constraints, are not currently used. These individuals may be considered for transition into future civil service programs.

MSC (cap)	CLCs	# enrolled in BATS	# contracted for security
MND-N (30,000)	16,592	11,740	11,577
MND-B (33,000)	23,363	21,957	18,838
MNF-W (8,000)	7,684	7,968	7,684
MND-C (32,000)	26,211	28,223	23,017
MND-CS (3,000)	2015	0	2015
<b>Total (103,000)</b>	<b>75,865</b>	<b>69,888</b>	<b>63,131</b>

**CLC Way Ahead:** In early 2008, the first transition "test case" will occur in West Rashid (MND-B) with a CLC group becoming an unarmed CSC. Operations for full-scale transition will be underway in summer 2008, with the aim of having all CLCs transitioned to other employment by the end of 1st QTR CY-09. Planning and coordination for full-scale transition of CLCs to ISF service, GOI non-security employment, GOI security contracts, or CF employment programs (CSCs) / job training programs (JTERP) will be ongoing.

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### **MND-N:**

In Diyala, continue existing CLC operations and transition of CLCs into ISF/ non-security jobs; Expand reconciliation efforts in Ninewa and Salah ad Din; Monitor the effects of Kurdish expansionism in Kirkuk.

### **MNF-W:**

No further expansion of CLCs; Transition CLC to IP/ non-security jobs; Facilitate increased Sunni political integration/ employment; Continue efforts to transition CLCs to IP/ non-security jobs.

### **MND-B:**

Engage key leaders; Expand Shi'a into CLCs; Transition CLCS into non-security jobs.

### **MND-C:**

Continue CLC efforts in Baghdad belts and Babil Province; Transition CLCs into non-security jobs; No CLCs in Karbala and An Najaf.

### **MND-CS:**

Sustain CLC in Qadisiyah along MSR; Limited CLC in Diwaniyah.

### **MND-SE:**

Limited CLC effort; Continue to conduct engagements with key Shi'a leaders and communicators to persuade them to reject Shi'a extremists



and malign foreign actors.


CJSOTF:

Engage local leaders, coordinate with MNDs to ensure unity of effort.

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## Assumptions


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1. *External military aggression by conventional forces will not significantly threaten Iraqi sovereignty*
2. *Absent external influences, the GOI will continue its sectarian behavior at levels that destabilize Iraq; however, local political accommodations and a baseline of security will help reduce sectarianism*
3. *The Coalition will be able to alter the behavior of the GOI by capitalizing on local initiatives through the application of incentives and disincentives*
4. *The USG will continue to support the current GOI*
5. *The GOI will desire a long-term strategic partnership with the U.S. and thus will continue to accept the presence of Coalition forces in Iraq for several years; this acceptance will be contingent on the Coalition's acknowledgement and support of increasing Iraqi sovereignty*
6. *The GOI will make halting progress toward national reconciliation as different sects and factions continue to compete for power*
7. *Throughout 2008, Coalition forces will operate under an UNSCR that preserves the authorities necessary to accomplish key Coalition goals*
8. *PIC agreements will grant Coalition forces the freedom of action necessary to accomplish key Coalition goals*


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## Assumptions

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9. Provincial elections will occur no earlier than summer 2008
10. With Coalition help, ISF capacity will mature sufficiently to maintain adequate security as Coalition forces draw down gradually and by area
11. Any U.S. force reductions beyond the planned withdrawal of the "surge" units will be deliberate and conditions-based, allowing Coalition force missions to shift gradually to overwatch
12. MNF-I will be able to maintain ten to fifteen U.S. BCTs in ITO at least until summer 2009
13. A long-term strategic partnership between the USG and GOI will involve the presence of at least five U.S. BCTs on Iraqi soil for a period of five to ten additional years
14. The U.S. Army will maintain three division headquarters in ITO through summer 2009
15. MARCENT will provide a MEF (Fwd) (including a two-star headquarters) in ITO through 2009
16. OCF-I operations will continue through 2009 against AQ/AQI
17. CJSOTF-AP will retain the equivalent of one Special Forces Group in ITO through 2009

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## Assumptions

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18. *The UK will maintain a brigade-sized force of approximately 2,500 or greater, with a two-star headquarters in southern Iraq at least through 2008*
19. *Poland will maintain a force of approximately 900, with a two-star headquarters in Qadisiyah Province through Nov 08*
20. *MND-NE headquarters will remain in ITO at least through 2008*
21. *Georgia will contribute one BDE(-) to the Coalition through Jan 09*
22. *USM-I will continue its efforts to fully man PRTs and embedded PRTs, reaching a level of thirteen and fifteen respectively by Jul 08 and sustaining those numbers through at least summer 2009*
23. *Private security companies will retain the authorities to operate in Iraq, but there will be additional coordination mechanisms and oversight*
24. *The Coalition will occupy existing bases in ITO and will not establish new ones*

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Long-Term Objectives	Supporting Conditions
Security throughout Iraq, sufficient to enable effective civil and civic life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Iraq denied as a safe haven for terrorists</li><li>• AQI and other extremists isolated from external support and rejected by the Iraqi populace</li><li>• Sunni insurgents reconciled with GOI or defeated</li><li>• Militias demobilized and integrating into formal GOI structures</li><li>14b, 14d</li><li>• Violent crime reduced to levels manageable by the Iraqi police</li></ul>
Effective, fully developed security forces and supporting institutions in place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ISF in sufficient numbers and with required capabilities to:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• IA: Provide for the defense of Iraq against external threats; conduct COIN, counter-terrorism operations, and border security operations in support of IP and DBE as required</li><li>• IP: Maintain law and order; in the lead for local security</li><li>• NP: Serve as a regionally based response force for COIN and law enforcement operations that exceed IP capability</li><li>• DBE: Conduct POE and border security operations</li></ul></li><li>• ISF led by competent and professional leaders</li><li>• ISF able to sustain and regenerate themselves</li><li>• ISF supported by institutions with the capacity to manage the force, build the future force, and ensure compliance with the rule of law</li><li>• ISF manned by personnel committed to the GOI, their organization, and their mission</li><li>• Broad public confidence in the ISF established</li></ul>


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Long Term – Multiple Years (2 of 2)	
Long-Term Objectives	Supporting Conditions
Fully functioning participatory government and supporting structures in place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Broad agreement among Sunni, Shia, and Kurdish leaders reached on the balance of power as it pertains to national, regional, and local authorities</li><li>• Iraqi provincial control established and sustained throughout Iraq</li><li>• A representative, inclusive GOI viewed as legitimate by the Iraqi people</li><li>• Broad public confidence in the GOI established</li><li>• GOI provides consistent, adequate essential services to Iraqis</li><li>• Rule-of-law system established and functioning; provincial systems in place for detention, trial, and incarceration operate IAW Iraq's constitution</li><li>• GOI integrated into the regional and international communities</li><li>• Iraq engaged in a long-term strategic partnership with the United States and Coalition partners</li><li>• Iraq an effective ally in the War on Terror</li></ul>
Foundation for self-sustaining economic development in place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Opportunities for legitimate, sustainable employment in Baghdad and the key cities compare favorably to those in urban areas of other regional states</li><li>• Refined hydrocarbon products supply Iraqis with adequate levels of fuel to meet basic needs and generate revenues on par with existing infrastructure's potential</li><li>• Existing power-generation infrastructure provides electricity to Baghdad and the key cities in amounts sufficient to meet basic needs and sustain small businesses and industry</li><li>• GOI programs and revenues able to support long-term infrastructure development</li><li>• Financial systems conducive to growth of a free market in place and supported by GOI policies</li><li>• Select state-owned enterprises revitalized; private sector growth underway</li><li>• Vocational training and higher education institutions providing labor to meet demands of a stable, developing economy</li></ul>








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## Clear, Control, Retain

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### General Concept


- Purpose is to establish security for the population in areas marked by high levels of violence and to improve local ISF capability and prepare them for independent operations
- CF and ISF progress deliberately through clear, control, and retain sub-phases; priority is given to the retention and control of cleared areas
- Iraqi-led operations increase in frequency, but CF presence among the population continues throughout
- Offensive effort against AQI and Sunni and Shia extremists, coupled with implementation of population control measures and dynamic engagement with local leaders and potentially reconcilable groups
- Synchronize improvements in local security with the initiation or expansion of economic development and efforts to enhance governmental capacity
- Toward the end of the "retain" sub-phase, CF begin the shift to tactical overwatch – gradually and by area

### Conditions for Transition

None – initial phase

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## Clear, Control, Retain

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Description	Tasks Executed by CF
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Characterized by combined operations<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Initially planned and led predominantly by CF</li><li>• Progressing to operations planned and led by both CF and ISF, with ISF taking the lead increasingly over time</li><li>• CF encourage "Iraqi lead" whenever conditions permit</li><li>• CF conduct independent operations as necessary</li></ul></li><li>• CF provide direct support to key Iraqi C<sup>2</sup> nodes to coordinate operations between ISF elements</li><li>• CF maintain ground and air QRFs</li><li>• CF maintain habitual relationships to develop ISF units, providing <u>dedicated coverage</u> in training and operations through partnership and transition teams</li><li>• CF provide ISF with combat and combat support enablers on a routine basis, to include:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Joint fires</li><li>• ISR assets</li><li>• Mobility support</li><li>• Supplementary communications</li><li>• Intelligence-sharing</li></ul></li><li>• CF provide ISF with necessary sustainment support on a routine basis, including ground and air MEDEVAC</li><li>• Route clearance provided predominantly by CF (but shift to ISF as assets become available)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Population security</li><li>• Infrastructure security</li><li>• Border security</li><li>• Building civil and governmental capacity</li><li>• Engagement</li><li>• ISF development and support</li><li>• Strike operations</li><li>• Information operations and public affairs</li><li>• Force protection</li></ul>

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## Tactical Overwatch

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### General Concept

- Purpose is to sustain an improved level of security as local ISF increasingly conduct independent operations
- Efforts to protect the population and neutralize threats to security continue – but under Iraqi lead
- Economic development initiatives and projects to improve infrastructure and essential services increase in scale and scope, given improved security conditions and growing governmental capacity
- CF participation in local security missions is reduced as the ISF assume more responsibility
- As security and ISF capability improves, CF shift gradually and deliberately to operational overwatch


### Conditions for Transition

*From Clear, Control, Retain to Tactical Overwatch*

- ISF responsible for security in the local area are able to conduct independent operations with Coalition enabler support
- ISF operational effectiveness and reliability are sufficient to protect the local population and critical infrastructure – relative to the threat and anticipated threat
- Local governing mechanisms are in place and functioning


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## Tactical Overwatch

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### Description

- Characterized by largely independent Iraqi operations
  - ISF operations enabled by CF support
  - As necessary, CF conduct unilateral strike operations against terrorist and extremist organizations
- CF provide assistance to key Iraqi C<sup>2</sup> nodes (assistance limited to planning and communications)
- CF maintain ground and air QRFs to prevent ISF failure at the tactical level
- CF maintain habitual relationships to develop ISF units, but they are more limited in some ways
  - Dedicated coverage in training and operations where necessary and as resources allow
  - Rotational coverage provided to ISF units where commanders can assume risk
  - Limited partnership
  - Transition teams; Enhanced TT (Heavy) or Enhanced (Light) model as a guideline
- CF provide ISF with combat and combat support enablers as required, to include:
  - Joint fires
  - ISR assets
  - Mobility support
  - Supplementary communications
  - Intelligence-sharing
- CF provide ISF with air MEDEVAC and level II/III medical support; all other sustainment support by exception
- CF provides route clearance support to ISF on MSRs and ASRs that Iraqi assets cannot cover


### Tasks Executed by CF

- Border security
- Building civil and governmental capacity
- Engagement
- ISF development and support
- Strike operations
- Information operations and public affairs
- Force protection

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## Operational Overwatch

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### General Concept

- Purpose of this phase is to sustain independent Iraqi operations while expanding ISF capacity to take full responsibility for local security
- Efforts to protect the population and neutralize threats to security continue primarily under ISF control, with the IP assuming greater responsibility for maintaining domestic order in population centers
- Key to this phase is making progress toward the completion of a functioning ISF logistical support system
- Continuing transition of security responsibilities accompanies a further reduction in direct CF participation with local security missions and a noticeable decline in CF presence as forces consolidate on major FOBs
- With more CF dispersed, commanders maintain the ability to provide adequate and responsive security to PRTs and advisory/assistance teams; over time though, even these teams are gradually withdrawn as CF in the ITO assume strategic oversight and the limited mission set that posture entails

### Conditions for Transition

From *Tactical Overwatch* to *Operational Overwatch*


- ISF responsible for security in the local area are able to conduct independent operations with specific, tailored Coalition enabler support only
- ISF operational effectiveness and reliability are sufficient to protect the local population, protect critical infrastructure in the local area, and secure border areas (if applicable) – relative to the threat and anticipated threat
- Local governing mechanisms are in place and functioning; vertical and horizontal linkages are established and serve to reinforce local stability
- Capacity to provide essential services is sufficient to generate public confidence in local government
- Local economic development is ongoing

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## Operational Overwatch

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### Description


- Characterized by largely independent Iraqi operations
  - ISF enabled by tailored CF support to critical, planned operations
  - As necessary, CF conduct unilateral strike operations against terrorist and extremist organizations
- ISF operations are coordinated through Iraqi C<sup>2</sup> nodes without CF assistance
- CF maintain a response force that constitutes an operational reserve, capable of intervening to restore order in the event of a crisis
  - Longer response times; higher threshold of intervention
  - Intervention first by air, then by ground as appropriate
- Habitual relationships involve less frequent interaction with ISF units
  - Rotational coverage provided to ISF units; commanders retain flexibility to focus coverage where required
  - Limited partnership; Advisory/Assistance BDE model as a guideline
  - Transition teams; Enhanced (Light) model as a guideline
- CF provide ISF with key combat and combat support enablers during critical, planned operations only; key enablers include:
  - Joint fires
  - ISR assets
  - Intelligence-sharing
- CF provide ISF with air MEDEVAC; all other sustainment support by exception
- CF provides route clearance support to ISF on MSR that Iraqi assets cannot cover

### Tasks Executed by CF

- Building civil and governmental capacity
- Engagement
- ISF development and support
- Strike operations
- Information operations and public affairs
- Force protection


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## Strategic Overwatch

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### General Concept

- Purpose is to sustain independent Iraqi operations in a given area while the GOI takes steps to consolidate local and provincial progress on the way toward national reconciliation
- Iraqi civil authorities have full responsibility for security in their areas and exercise control over local ISF that are able to protect the population and neutralize internal threats through independent operations
- Limited CF mission set
- CF maintain relationships with the ISF through periodic joint and combined exchange training and staff assistance visits to key command and control nodes


### Conditions for Transition

*From Operational Overwatch to Strategic Overwatch*

- ISF responsible for security in the local area are able to conduct independent operations with limited Coalition enabler support (generally by exception only)
- ISF operational effectiveness and reliability are sufficient to protect the local population, protect critical infrastructure in the local area, and secure border areas (if applicable) – relative to the threat and anticipated threat
- Local governing mechanisms are in place and functioning; vertical and horizontal linkages are established and serve to reinforce local stability
- Capacity to provide essential services is sufficient to generate public confidence in local government
- Sustainable local economic development is ongoing


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## Strategic Overwatch

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### Description

- Characterized by largely independent Iraqi operations
  - ISF supported by limited CF enablers provided generally by exception
  - In coordination with the GOI, CF conduct unilateral strike operations against terrorist and extremist organizations
- ISF operations are coordinated through Iraqi C<sup>2</sup> nodes without CF assistance
- CF maintain a strategic reserve, capable of intervening in a timely manner in the event of a crisis
  - Longer response times; higher threshold of intervention
- CF continue to develop ISF capability in more limited ways and – when most of Iraq reaches this phase – through a robust OMC-like organization
  - Staff assistance visits to key Iraqi C<sup>2</sup> nodes, such as JHQ, IGFC, Operational Commands, and POEs
  - Combined exercises and maneuvers that enhance collective training at battalion and brigade level
- CF share intelligence with ISF as required; all other combat and combat support enablers provided by exception
- CF provide ISF with sustainment support by exception
- CF provides route clearance support to ISF by exception

### Tasks Executed by CF

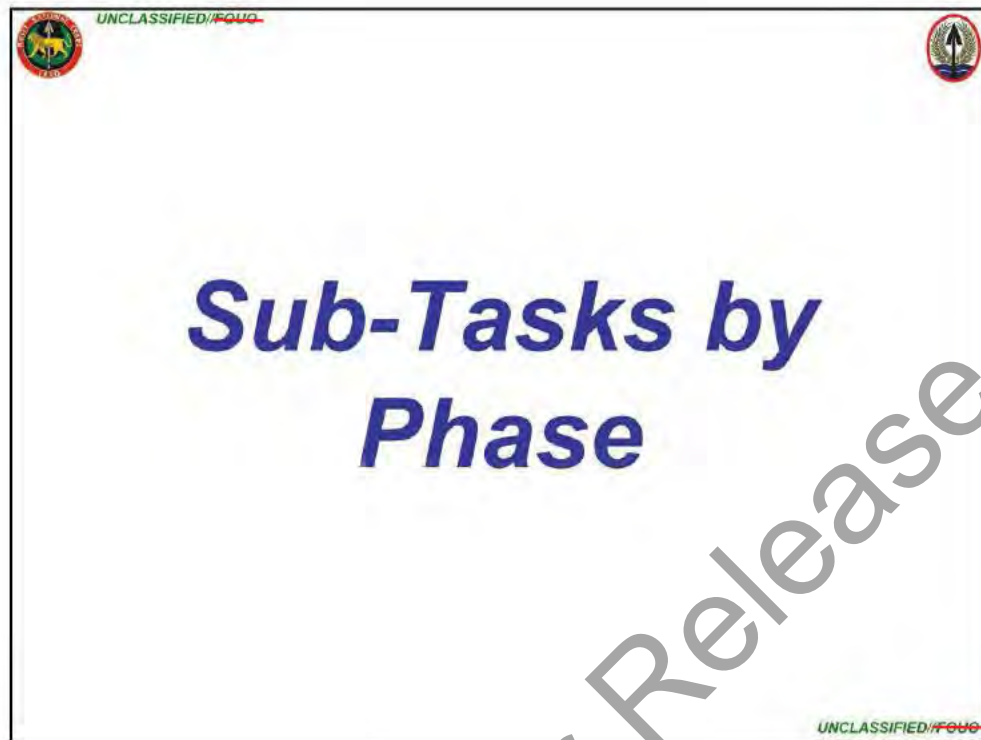
- ISF development and support
- Strike operations
- Information operations and public affairs
- Force protection

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# Infrastructure Security

## Sub-Tasks by Phase

Clear, Control, Retain	Tactical Overwatch	Operational Overwatch	Strategic Overwatch
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▲ Harden critical infrastructure				
▲ Secure infrastructure repair teams				
▲ Conduct area reconnaissance and surveillance of critical infrastructure				
▲ Conduct show-of-force in the vicinity of critical infrastructure				
▲ Disrupt black market and oil smuggling activity				

# Border Security

## Sub-Tasks by Phase

Clear, Control, Retain	Tactical Overwatch	Operational Overwatch	Strategic Overwatch
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▲ Conduct area reconnaissance and surveillance of likely infiltration routes				
▲ Monitor POEs				
1.4b, 1.4d				
▲ Disrupt cross-border flow of foreign fighters (or foreign-trained fighters)				



\* Shaded areas indicate that the sub-task is performed in that phase

\*\* Sub-tasks are provided as examples to better describe what Coalition force actions occur for each major task by phase

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Clear, Control, Retain	Tactical Overwatch	Operational Overwatch	Strategic Overwatch	
▲ Facilitate transition to legitimate local government				
▲ Advise and assist with the development of political, judicial/legal, and economic institutions				
▲ Recommend removal of officials who adhere to sectarian agendas				
▲ Monitor implementation of key legislation				
▲ Monitor governance capacity	[local & provincial]	[provincial]		
▲ Enable regular meetings of neighborhood, district, and provincial councils				
▲ Advise and assist with budget execution				
▲ Advise and assist with the planning and conduct of elections				
▲ Provide security for election sites				
▲ Assist with the administration of Rule of Law safe zones				
▲ Build Iraqi capacity to manage detainee populations IAW international standards				
▲ Advise and assist with the provision and delivery of essential services				
▲ Advise and assist with the restoration and development of infrastructure				
▲ Monitor economic development	[local & provincial]	[provincial]		
▲ Enable business development and economic growth				
▲ Advise and assist with efforts related to job creation, industrial revitalization, and improvements in banking and agri-business				
<p>* Shaded areas indicate that the sub-task is performed in that phase</p> <p>** Sub-tasks are provided as examples to better describe what Coalition force actions occur for each major task by phase</p>				
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## Engagement Sub-Tasks by Phase

Clear, Control, Retain

Tactical Overwatch

Operational Overwatch

Strategic Overwatch

▲ Conduct engagement with local leaders (religious, tribal, government)				
▲ Promote dialogue across ethno-sectarian lines at local and provincial level				
▲ Conduct engagement with potentially reconcilable enemy groups				
▲ Support negotiations leading to local ceasefires or political compromises with the GOI				
▲ Facilitate the implementation of local ceasefires or political agreements				
▲ Conduct engagement to improve horizontal and vertical linkages in Iraqi political and security institutions				


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	Clear, Control, Retain	Tactical Overwatch	Operational Overwatch	Strategic Overwatch
▲ Conduct combined operations				
▲ Monitor ISF performance and behavior				
▲ Recommend for removal ISF leaders who demonstrate sectarian behavior				
▲ Provide combat and combat support enablers	[Routine basis] Joint Fires ISR Mobility Spt Commo	[As required] Joint Fires ISR Mobility Spt Commo	[Tailored to planned, critical ops] Joint Fires ISR	[By exception]
▲ Provide sustainment support	[All, as required]	[Level II/III Medical, as required; all others, by exception]	[By exception]	[By exception]
▲ Provide MEDEVAC	[Ground & air]	[Air]	[Air]	
▲ Conduct route clearance in support of ISF		[MSRs & ASRs]	[MSRs]	[By exception]
▲ Conduct intelligence-sharing				
▲ Provide response forces	[Ground & air QRF]	[Ground & air QRF]	[Oper'l Reserve]	[Strategic Reserve]
▲ Provide tactical and technical advice	Dedicated [TT and Partnership] [Embedded Partnership]	Mix of dedicated or rotational Limited partnership [ETT (Heavy)] [ETT (Light)]	Rotational [ETT (Light)] [Adv/Asset BDE]	At fixed sites or through periodic visits to key C <sup>2</sup> nodes

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# ISF Development and Support

## Sub-Tasks by Phase (2 of 2)

Clear, Control, Retain	Tactical Overwatch	Operational Overwatch	Strategic Overwatch
▲ Provide convoy security for ISF unit movement			
▲ Provide security for religious and other special events			
▲ Mentor ISF leaders			
▲ Conduct leader training			
▲ Conduct individual training			
▲ Conduct collective training			
▲ Conduct training in special technical skills			
▲ Provide training support			
▲ Coordinate the activities of Concerned Local Citizens			
▲ Monitor disarmament and integration of former militia members into the ISF			
▲ Provide liaison officers to key command and control nodes			
▲ Conduct staff assistance visits			
▲ Conduct joint exercises			
▲ Implement security assistance program			

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## Strike Operations

### Sub-Tasks by Phase

	Clear, Control, Retain	Tactical Overwatch	Operational Overwatch	Strategic Overwatch
1. Neutralize groups that attack security forces or intimidate the population				
2. Disrupt EJK networks				
3. Neutralize VBIED networks				
4. 1.4b, 1.4d				
5. Neutralize terrorist or extremist networks, such as AQAM				
6. Conduct intelligence-driven raids				
7. Kill or capture HVIs				
8. Conduct show-of-force				

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**Information Operations and Public Affairs**

**Sub-Tasks by Phase**

	Clear, Control, Retain	Tactical Overwatch	Operational Overwatch	Strategic Overwatch
▲ Conduct PSYOP				
▲ Conduct electronic warfare				
▲ Conduct computer network operations				
▲ Conduct military deception				
▲ Conduct OPSEC				
▲ Conduct public affairs planning for Coalition forces				
▲ Facilitate media operations				
▲ Maintain positive relations with local civilian communities				
▲ Conduct combat camera operations				

\* Shaded areas indicate that the sub-task is performed in that phase  
 \*\* Sub-tasks are provided as examples to better describe what Coalition force actions occur for each major task by phase

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**Force Protection**  
**Sub-Tasks by Phase**

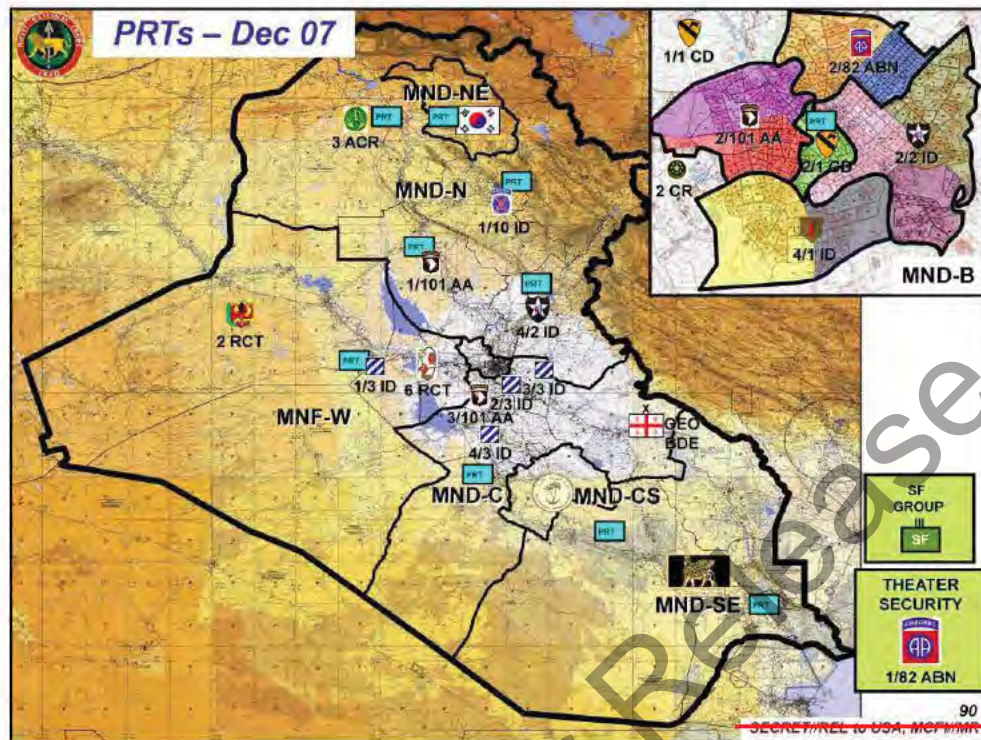
	Clear, Control, Retain	Tactical Overwatch	Operational Overwatch	Strategic Overwatch
⚡ Neutralize IED, EFP, and IDF networks				
⚡ Conduct route reconnaissance and route security [MSRs & ASRs]			[MSRs & ASRs]	[MSRs]
⚡ Conduct route clearance		[MSRs & ASRs]	[MSRs]	
⚡ Conduct bridge and route repair		[MSRs & ASRs]	[MSRs]	
⚡ Conduct Coalition base construction and force protection enhancement				
⚡ Provide security for Coalition convoys				
⚡ Provide security for Coalition bases				
⚡ Provide security for USM-I personnel conducting engagement				
⚡ Secure transition teams and PRTs				
⚡ Provide security for UNAMI operations				
⚡ Provide QRF for Coalition elements operating in AO				
⚡ Conduct personnel recovery				
⚡ Provide MEDEVAC for Coalition elements				
⚡ Conduct counter-rocket and counter-mortar fire				
⚡ Provide joint fires in support of Coalition elements				

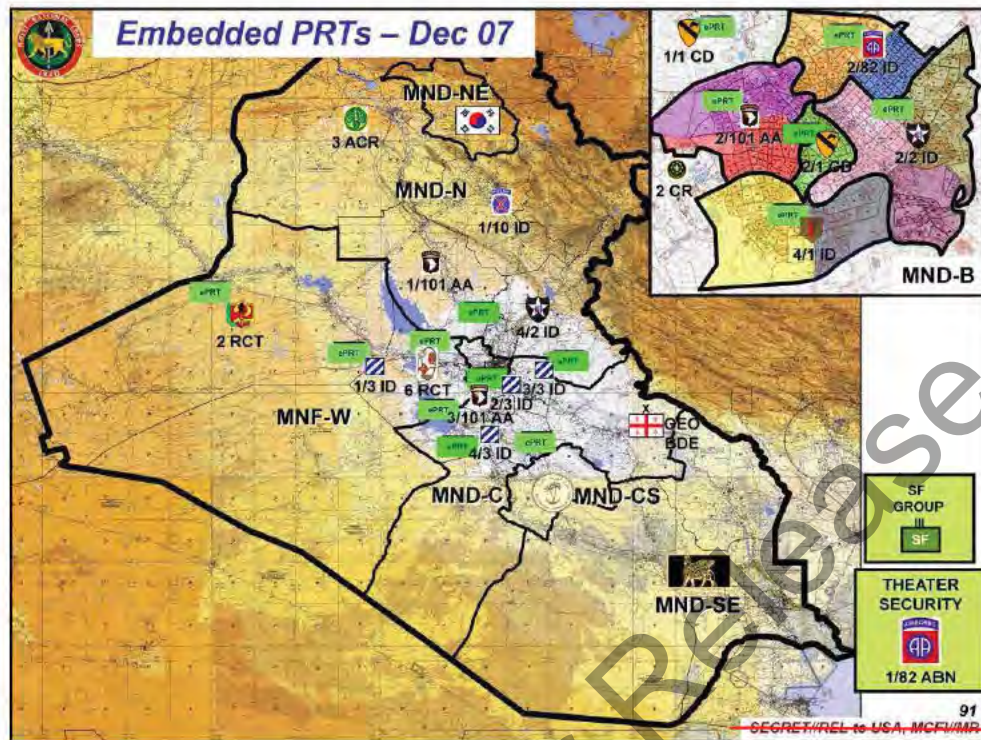
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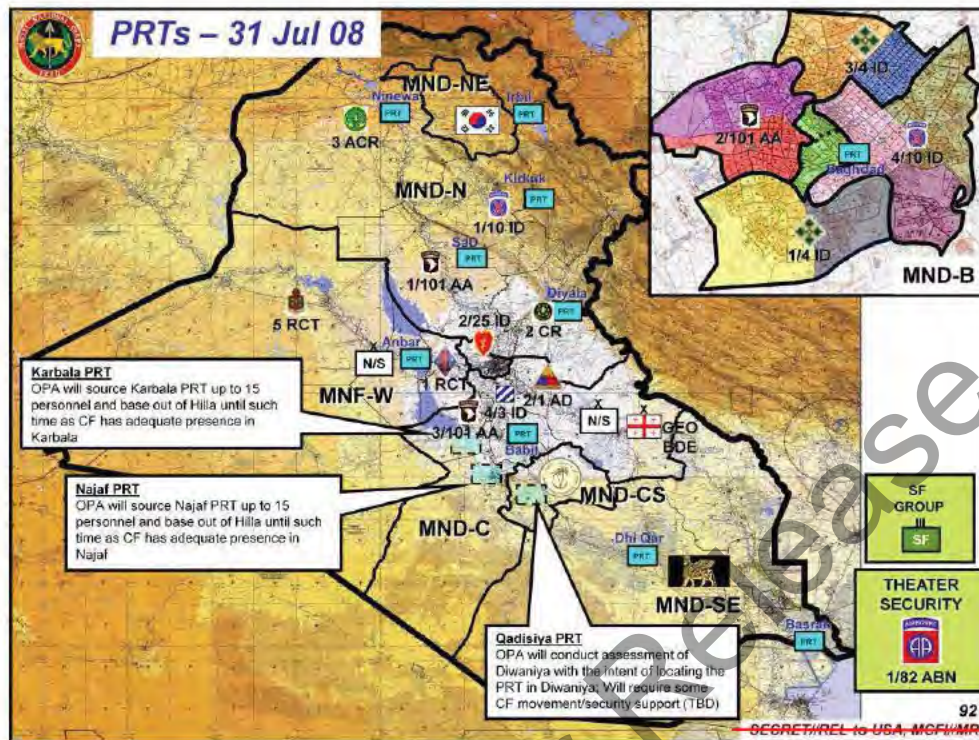




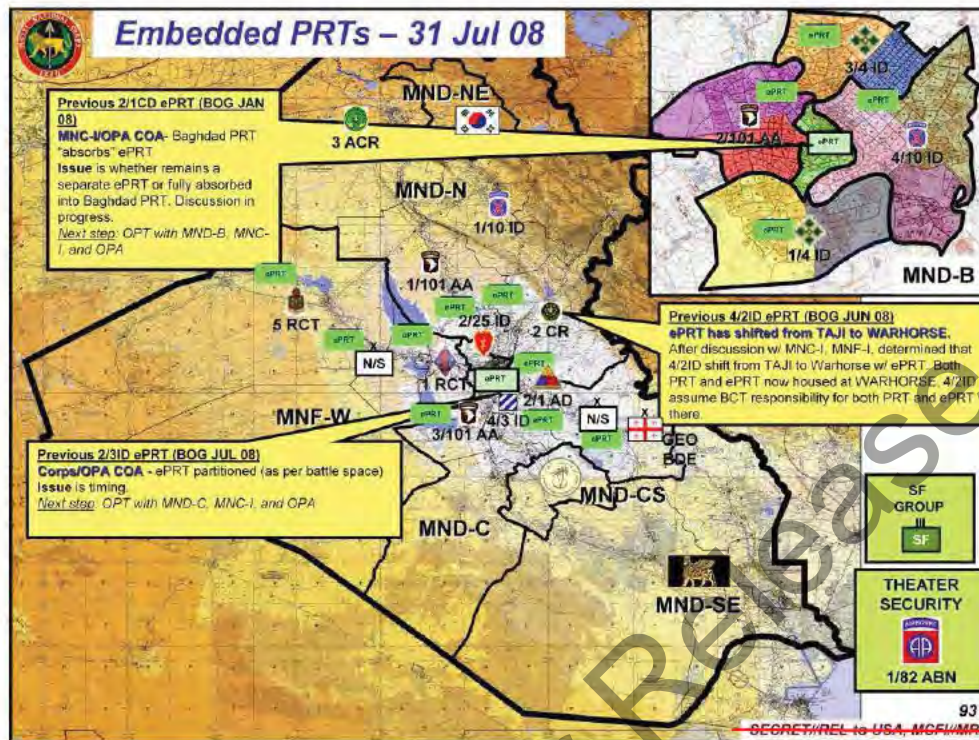


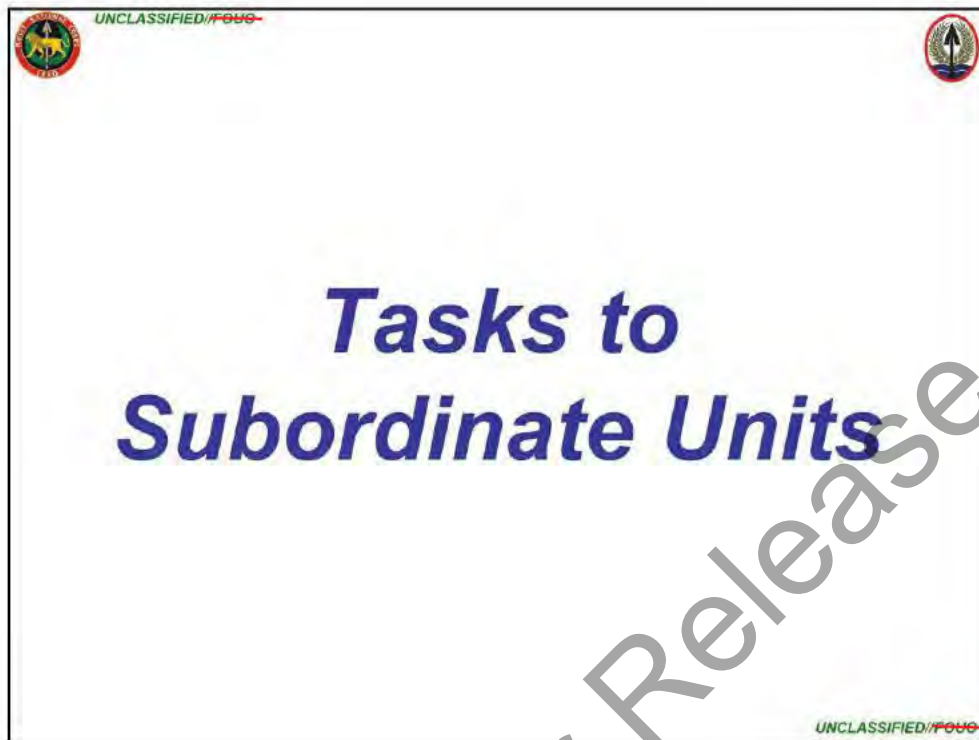












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**Tasks – MND-B**

- ✧ *In partnership with ISF, secure the population of the Baghdad security districts*
- ✧ *Defeat AQI and Sunni and Shia extremists in Baghdad and support zones*
- ✧ *Conduct engagement with key Shia leaders and communicators to persuade them to reject Shia extremists and malign foreign actors*
- ✧ *Conduct engagement with key Sunni leaders and communicators to persuade them to reject AQI and Sunni extremists and malign foreign actors*
- ✧ *Partner with subordinate area commands of the Baghdad Operational Command*
- ✧ *Facilitate efforts of provincial authorities to transition Baghdad to PIC and ultimately to self-reliance*
- ✧ *Secure Victory Base Complex*

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**Tasks – MNF-W**

- ✧ **Defeat AQI and Sunni extremists in Anbar**
- ✧ **Conduct tribal engagement to facilitate increased Sunni involvement in the political process, encourage stability, and further isolate AQI operating in Anbar**
- ✧ **Interdict accelerants of Baghdad sectarian violence**
- ✧ **Partner with the Anbar Operational Command; support its establishment and development**
- ✧ **Support DBE and MOI efforts to improve Iraqi port-of-entry and border security operations,** 1.4b, 1.4d  
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- ✧ **Facilitate efforts of provincial authorities to transition Anbar to PIC and ultimately to self-reliance**

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	<del>SECRET//REL to USA and MCF/MPR</del>	<b>Tasks – MND-N</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▲ <b>Defeat AQI and Sunni and Shia extremists, with priority to Diyala and Salah ad Din (south of Samarra)</b></li><li>▲ <b>Interdict accelerants of Baghdad sectarian violence</b></li><li>▲ <b>Conduct engagement to reduce Arab-Kurd tensions, with priority to Kirkuk and Ninewa Provinces, in order to prevent Sunni tribes from cooperating with AQI</b></li><li>▲ <b>Conduct engagement with key Sunni leaders and communicators to persuade them to reject AQI and Sunni extremists and malign foreign actors</b></li><li>▲ <b>Conduct engagement with key Shia leaders and communicators to persuade them to reject Shia extremists and malign foreign actors</b></li><li>▲ <b>Conduct lethal and nonlethal operations to disrupt black market and oil smuggling activities that fund AQI, extremists, and insurgent groups, with priority to the Bayji area</b></li><li>▲ <b>Take the lead in establishing the Ninewa Operational Command (NOC) and enable its transition to full operational capability; partner with the NOC after it achieves FOC</b></li><li>▲ <b>Partner with the Diyala Operational Command</b></li><li>▲ <b>Support DBE and MOI efforts to improve Iraqi port-of-entry and border security operations,</b></li></ul>			
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		1.4b, 1.4d	
▲ <b>Facilitate efforts of provincial authorities to transition Ninewa, Salah ad Din, Diyala, and Kirkuk to PIC and ultimately to self-reliance</b>			
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**Tasks – MND-C**

- ✧ *Defeat AQI and Sunni extremists in the Southern Baghdad Belt*
- ✧ *Defeat Shia extremists, with priority to the Southern Baghdad Belt*
- ✧ *Interdict accelerants of Baghdad sectarian violence*
- ✧ *Conduct engagement with key Shia leaders and communicators to persuade them to reject Shia extremists and malign foreign actors*
- ✧ *Conduct engagement with key Sunni leaders and communicators to persuade them to reject AQI and Sunni extremists and malign foreign actors*
- ✧ *Partner with the Karbala Operational Command*
- ✧ *Support DBE and MOI efforts to improve Iraqi port-of-entry border security operations,* 1.4b, 1.4d
- ✧ *Facilitate efforts of provincial authorities to transition Babil and Wasit to PIC and ultimately to self-reliance*

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✧ <i>In support of ISF and with a focus on Basra, defeat threats to local and CF security, including groups attempting to undermine the rule of law or subvert provincial Iraqi control</i></li><li>✧ <i>Conduct engagement with key Shia leaders and communicators to persuade them to reject Shia extremists and malign foreign actors</i></li><li>✧ <i>In conjunction with the Basra Operational Command, maintain situational awareness of the operational environment in the province and provide Coalition force assistance if required</i></li><li>✧ <i>Support DBE and MOI efforts to improve Iraqi port-of-entry and border security operations,</i> <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 0 20px;">1 4b, 1 4d</span></li><li>✧ <i>Maintain CF freedom of movement along MSR TAMPA and primary ASRs in AO</i></li><li>✧ <i>Assist the ISF with the protection of critical infrastructure where necessary</i></li><li>✧ <i>BPT provide a company-sized QRF in support of Camp Bucca should the security situation at the camp deteriorate</i></li></ul>			
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**Tasks – MND-CS**

- In conjunction with ISF and with a focus on Diwaniyah, support efforts to defeat threats to local and CF security, including groups attempting to undermine the rule of law or subvert the political process through intimidation*
- Conduct engagement with key Shia leaders and communicators to persuade them to reject Shia extremists and malign foreign actors*
- Provide support, as required and within the division's capabilities, to maintain freedom of movement on MSR TAMPA*
- Facilitate efforts of provincial authorities to transition Qadisiyah to PIC and ultimately to self-reliance*

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## Tasks – MND-NE



- △ *Sustain non-kinetic operations to maintain current levels of stability*

## Tasks – CJSOTF-AP



- △ *Disrupt terrorist, extremist, and insurgent networks*
- △ *Develop ISOF, National ERU, and Provincial Iraqi SWAT into non-sectarian precision strike forces capable of conducting unilateral operations*
- △ *Advise and provide specialized or advanced training to selected local ISF units to develop their capability for independent COIN operations*
- △ *Conduct engagement with local Iraqi leaders to deny sanctuary to terrorist and extremist networks; coordinate engagement activities with appropriate "ground-owning" MND/Fs to ensure unity of effort*
- △ *BPT neutralize extremist and insurgent financing derived from the Bayji Oil Refinery*

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## Tasks – Common to All MND/Fs

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- ✧ Provide monthly assessments of the operational environment to CG, MNC-I to enhance situational understanding across the corps
- ✧ Conduct engagement to facilitate cessation of hostilities and accommodation among groups and key leaders willing to renounce violence and enter into dialogue with Coalition forces, ISF, and/or GOI; BPT complement engagement with the threat of force, should it be required to dissuade groups from resorting to violence to achieve their goals
- ✧ In conjunction with ISF, control and monitor the activities of CLCs
- ✧ Facilitate GOI efforts to transfer CLCs from short-term, CERP-funded contracts to more sustainable GOI or civilian employment as security conditions allow
- ✧ Support continued development of ISF by mentoring their leadership and assisting in training their personnel in order to improve unit effectiveness and reliability
- ✧ As conditions allow and on a deliberate basis, transfer security responsibilities to local ISF and assume appropriate overwatch posture – company by company if necessary
- ✧ Support planned ISF operations to return displaced or internally displaced persons in order to help the GOI advance the reconciliation process; avoid direct involvement in the return of DPs and IDPs to specific residences

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## Tasks – Common to All MND/Fs


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- ✧ In coordination with PRTs, facilitate regular meetings among provincial, district, and neighborhood councils to promote dialogue across sectarian lines and help obtain funding for local development priorities
- ✧ In coordination with PRTs, work with local authorities to develop reconstruction and economic development plans that will help channel resources to specific, appropriate needs
- ✧ In coordination with PRTs, implement economic, governance, rule-of-law, and capacity-building programs designed to produce near-term results at the local and provincial level; facilitate GOI efforts to develop sustainable, longer-term programs along these lines
- ✧ In coordination with PRTs, work with local authorities to identify commercial opportunities and channel financial assistance to them for business development
- ✧ In coordination with PRTs, support Iraqi officials or offices that have effectively provided services on a non-sectarian basis
- ✧ Facilitate GOI efforts to provide security for critical infrastructure
- ✧ Continue providing QRF, MEDEVAC, route clearance, convoy net, and sheriff's net coverage along MNC-I sustainment routes, including areas that have been transitioned to the ISF or have transitioned to PIC
- ✧ BPT support ISF in the distribution of emergency food and medical supplies for humanitarian relief missions
- ✧ BPT provide security to USM-I personnel to facilitate their ability to conduct engagement in a timely and flexible manner

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**Tasks – 316 ESC**

- ▲ Provide EAB sustainment support to forces within ITO IAW Title X responsibilities and IAW agreements with other services, Coalition partners, other U.S. agencies, or UNAMI
- ▲ Maintain 7 x FOB-In-A-Box sets and 6 x Corps Contingency Outpost Packages for expeditionary life support capability, pending appropriate funding and spending authorization
- ▲ Manage Empty Container Collection Points and Central Receiving Shipment Points for MNC-I
- ▲ Provide Contracting Officer Technical Representatives for the Individual Protective Equipment Warehouse at Taji
- ▲ O/O support Coalition forces as they adjust their overwatch posture and basing arrangements
- ▲ BPT provide movement support to the MNC-I operational reserve if it is committed to another AO
- ▲ BPT support CF operations with emergency common-item sustainment (Class I, III, V, water) through aerial resupply; BPT palletize and prepare cargo for rapid movement and delivery through the following means: fixed-wing, rotary-wing, or air drop
- ▲ BPT provide emergency support to ISF until their logistical capability is self-sustaining
- ▲ BPT provide humanitarian assistance (such as Halal/OTER meals, bottled water, and blankets) to local nationals in the event of a crisis

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