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Assumptions

- Government of Iraq agrees to security and offensive framework
- Iraqi Forces arriving into MND-B are fully operationally capable in accordance with current timeline; 1 BDE(+) by 20 JAN, 1 additional BDE(-) by 5 FEB and final BDE(-) by 20 FEB
- DRB and PTDO arrive on schedule (FOC 25 JAN and 29 FEB respectively)
- ISF are able to man and operate JSS at initial operating capability levels in Adhamiyah (NLT 1 JAN) and Kadhamiyah (NLT 1 JAN).
Tasks by Phase

• Phase 1: Setting the Conditions
  – Conduct focused raids, patrols and snap checkpoints in order to disrupt militia and AIF operations throughout Baghdad City
  – Initiate establishment of JSS concept within each of the nine Security Framework Districts

• Phase 2: Clear, Control, Retain
  – Simultaneously conduct clear, control, or retain operations throughout Baghdad City
  – Complete the establishment of JSS concept within each of the nine Security Framework Districts
  – Continue to progress the Hayys from Clear to Control to Retain
  – Continue to create “gated communities” in Retain Hayys

• Phase 3: Retain and Renewal
  – Enhance Transition Teams
  – ISF assume responsibility for security in all Districts
  – CF provides operational overwatch

• Phase 4: Transition and Exploit
  – CF maintains operational overwatch of ISF within Baghdad City and moves outside of Baghdad City and attack AIF support zones to complete the reduction of AIF within MND-B AOR
Operational Concept

Phase I: Set Conditions
- SOF/ISO targeting of AQ and EJ/K cells
- Maintain presence in focus areas
- Strike Force to new focus areas
- Recon/Precision Strikes in "Clear" Areas

Phase II: Clear, Control, Retain
- (ME) Strike Force to "clear" support areas
- (SE) Control areas to reduce violence
- (SE) Initiate C2 transition to ISF

Phase III: Retain Areas and Renew ISF
- Extensive transition team augmentation operations
- Combined (CF/ISF/NP/IP) Security and Response Outposts
- Complete transition of C2 to ISF

Phase IV: Transition
- Baghdad
- Transition to PIC
- Coalition Forces reposition outside of Baghdad City

Conditions based progression to follow on phases

- Area Orientation
- Required Delivery Date
- Initial Operating Capability
- Full Operational Capability

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Beginning larger scale clearing on 15 January allows:

- Completion of surge
- Better reconnaissance
- Better targeting
- Set conditions for 2-82ABN entry in AO
- Deliberate staff planning DIV to BN
- Synchronization of engineering efforts for gated communities
- Engagement of Iraqi counterparts
**Phase 1: Set Conditions**

Create the conditions to expand the focus areas: Ghazalia, Ameriyah, Risala, Masafee, Adhamiyah, Shaab

**Inside the city, increase presence, activity and security operations in previously cleared areas to protect citizens**

**Conduct patrols, focused reconnaissance and raids to disrupt enemy forces in other areas of the city**

**Attack enemy outside city; prevent enemy from reinforcing**
Phase 1: Set Conditions

21-27 DEC

28 DEC – 04 JAN

3/2 SBCT enables greater, overall surge in focus areas

Week 1 (21-27 DEC)
- 1-26IN, ICW ISF recon JSS in Adhamiyah
- Salman Pak raid targeting AQI
- Focus disruption on Sunni-Shia fault lines in West
- Clearing operations in Ghazalia

Week 2 (28 DEC – 04 JAN)
- Initiate building JSS capacity in Adhamiyah/Ghazalia
- Focused disruption in New Baghdad
- Continue disruption in West fault lines

Week 3 (5 JAN – 14 JAN)
- Focus 3/2 SBCT on Shaab Ur and IOC of JSS
- Continue building JSS capacity in Adhamiyah
- Complete recons of remaining 8 JSS locations
Phase 2: Clear, Control and Retain

Deliberate expansion of control and retain from base focus areas

Combined clearing forces eliminate AIF support zone; establish Joint Security Stations to facilitate control and retain.
Phase 3: Retain and Renewal

Coalition forces assist ISF in retaining all areas and allow ISF to establish/operate command and control.

Irregular forces in accordance with administrative districts.

Coalition forces positioned to respond to contingencies as needed to support Iraqi Security Forces and Transition Teams.
Phase 4: Transition and Exploit

Iraqi Security Forces assume full responsibility for security within the capitol; civil authorities attain Provincial Iraqi Control.

Coalition Forces in coordination with other ISF complete the reduction of enemy support zones on the outside of Baghdad; support ISF in Baghdad by interdicting enemy lines of communication into Baghdad and maintaining a responsive force to assist as needed inside the city.
Joint Security Station Concept (Control Phase)

- JSS is a HQ building, not a FOB
- Center of gravity for continual IA, NP and IP patrol presence
- JSS manned 24/7

JSS will require:
- Force Protection
- 24/7 electricity
- Limited life support
- C2 architecture
- Detainee holding area

Tiered System
- Tier 1 – IP Manned Only
- Tier 2 -- IP and IA/NP
- Tier 3 – IP and IA/NP and CF
- Tier 4 – CF Manned

Issues:
- Detainee capacity / judicial process
- MOD/MOI cooperation at all levels
- Common support standards

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JSS – “Concept to FOC”

**Negative Vectors**

- ISF Under-resourcing
- ISF C2 indecision
- AIF Targeting
- Militia Influence

**AIF IO**

**CF**

**IOC (a “TAC CP”):**
- Austere conditions
- Voice comms
- Force Protection
- Space for C2 (IA, NP, IP, and CF reps)
- 24/7 electrical power
- Sanitary conditions
- Life Support
- Manned 24 hours by ISF – vary strength by time of day
  - Can accommodate troops

- FOC (a “Base”):
  - Hardened facility
  - Temporary Detention Facility
  - Multiple comms means Independent operations
  - IP lead – minimal NP overwatch (liaison)

- Move from IA/NP lead to IP control
- Set conditions for IP to perform law and order tasks

- IO
- CF: Effective Overwatch and Partnership
- IA/NP/IP Support

- CF pay the start-up costs (FP, Comms)
Main Effort: Clear Sha'ab and Ur
Task 1: 1-1/9 IA BN clears Sha'ab and Ur from west to east in order to prevent AIF and militias from continuing to use these Hayys as support zones for acts of sectarian violence.

Task 2: Two BNs from 3/2ID (SBCT) follows and supports 1-1/9 IA BN in order to enable them to conduct clearing operations within Sha'ab and Ur.

Task 3: 3-1/9 IA BN contains militias and AIF within Sha'ab and Ur in order to prevent them from repositioning personnel and materiel within Sadr City.

Supporting Effort 1: Retain Rabi and Adhamiya
Task 1: 1-26 IN, 1-2/6 IA BN, and 2-1/9 IA BN retain Rabi and Adhamiya in order to deny militias and AIF from continuing to conduct acts of sectarian violence within these Hayys.

Supporting Effort 2: Company/3-4/1 NP BN block the Army Canal in order to deny militias and AIF from repositioning material and personnel and continuing acts of sectarian violence.

Supporting Effort 3: CF and ISF establish JSS HQ NLT 01JAN07 in order to allow the ISF to provide command and control of security operations within Adhamiya District.
Kadamiyah

Main Effort: Clear Shula, Harbiya/Huriya
Task 1: 1 Stryker BN clears Shula and Harbiya/Huriya from north to south in order to prevent AIF and militias from continuing to use these Hayys as support zones for acts of sectarian violence.
Task 2: 2 IA BNs follow and support the clearing operation in order to allow the Stryker BN to quickly transition battlespace to ISF forces.
Task 3: 3-1/6 IA BN contains Harbiya/Huriya in order to deny militias and AIF from repositioning personnel and materiel within the Hayys.
Task 3: 4-1/6 IA BN blocks militias and AIF from entering Ghazaliyah in order to prevent them from repositioning personnel and materiel within Ghazaliyah.

Supporting Effort 1: Retain Ghazaliyah
Task 1: 2-12 CAV, 4-16 IA BN and 2-5/2 NP BN retain Ghazaliyah in order to deny militias and AIF from continuing to conduct acts of sectarian violence within this Hayy.

Supporting Effort 2: CF and ISF establish JSS HQ NLT 01JAN07 in order to allow the ISF to provide command and control of security operations within Adamiyah District.
Points to Resolve

- Troop to Task
  - Additional force requirement
  - Baghdad Security Belt (27 plus 15)
  - Army Canal (12)
  - Tigris Bridges (12)
- NPTT Augmentees
  - Re-Blue BDEs
  - Remaining BDEs
- Enhanced MiTTs
- Enhanced JSS
  - Required echelon?
- Strike Force
  - Above or below ground?
  - Partner with 3/2 SBCT
  - MND-B responsibilities for stand-up and EDRE
  - Multiple headquarters – DIRLAUTH)
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MND-B Mission

MND-B, conducts kinetic and non-kinetic operations in conjunction with the Iraqi Security Forces (ISF) to secure Baghdad and its population in order to reduce sectarian violence and facilitate the implementation of the Baghdad Security Plan and the continued transition to Iraqi security self-reliance.
MND-B Commander’s Intent

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Purpose: Ensure the progression to Provincial Iraqi Control (PIC) and promote the legitimacy of the Iraqi political system and security forces.

Key Tasks:
1. Secure Baghdad in cooperation with the ISF.
2. Significantly reduce sectarian violence.
3. Reduce sectarian tensions through sustained engagement of political, security forces, tribal, and religious leaders.
4. Influence insurgents to participate in the political process.
5. Neutralize terrorists and irreconcilable insurgents.
6. Protect the force; defeat the IED networks.
7. Enable the primacy of local and provincial governments by supporting the IA, IPS, NP, DBE, and government organizations.
MND-B Commander’s Intent
Slide 2 of 2

End-state: Baghdad, An Najaf, Karbala, and Babil are secure and at PIC. The IPS operate in all areas of MND-B (largely overlapping the IA) and are capable of suppressing or containing violent activity to allow government ministries to provide basic services to all Iraqi citizens. The gains made in PIC continue to marginalize AQAM / Militias / Insurgents as the GOI security and services begin to outperform those provided by these groups. Finally, a coalition force is in operational overwatch.
## Troop to Task by Focus Area

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Summary of Troop to Task

Additional Coalition Forces Required for Clear/Control/ Retain: 6.2 BNs
In order to properly reinforce the Baghdad Security Belt.
Total Requirements for all missions: 3 BNs 9.2 BNs

If required to accomplish the following tasks:

Tigris 1.1 BN
Army Canal 1.1 BN

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