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MULTI-NATIONAL CORPS IRAQ - OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES

CORPS MAIN EFFORT: MND-BAGHDAD DECISIVE OPERATION: SECURE BAGHDAD

MNC-I Mission and Effort Focus

- MNC-I conducts operations in coordination with the Iraqi Security Forces to defeat terrorists and irreconcilable insurgents, neutralize extremist groups, and transition responsibilities to the ISF in order to reduce sectarian violence, stabilize Iraq, and enable GOI security self-reliance
- Stabilize the security situation in Baghdad and the nine strategic cities
- Enhance the capability, credibility, and reach of the ISF while transitioning them to self-reliance
- Defeat terrorists and extremists, irreconcilable insurgents, and individuals actively participating in extra-judicial killings (EJKs)
- Protect the force, Neutralize the IED Network
- Support and sustain the transition to Iraqi provincial control and self-reliance

Decision Point 8

Request 4/1 ID be brought forward from Kuwait and employed in Baghdad

Desired Effects:

- IB: Population in urban centers secure
- IB: Insurgency lacks the ability to conduct effective operations
- IC: Perpetrators of sectarian violence neutralized
- IA: IED network neutralized

PIR:

1. What is the current level of sectarian violence in Baghdad?
2. Are the accelerants of sectarian violence (EJK, VBIEDs) present in Baghdad?
3. What is the status of militias in Baghdad?
4. Are EFPs effective against Coalition and/or Iraqi Security Forces?
5. What is the current status of the nine administrative districts of Baghdad?
6. What is the current level of violence in the Baghdad Security Belts?

FFIR:

1. Do we have enough forces to Clear, Control, and Retain Baghdad's nine Administrative Districts?
2. Do we have enough forces to secure the Baghdad Security Belts?
3. Do we have enough forces to disrupt the flow of VBIEDs and EFPs into Baghdad?
4. Do we have enough forces to secure the Southern LOCs?

Decision Point 9a

Request 3/3 ID be brought forward from Kuwait and employed in Baghdad

Desired Effects:

- IB: Population in urban centers secure
- IB: Insurgency lacks the ability to conduct effective operations
- IC: Perpetrators of sectarian violence neutralized
- IA: IED network neutralized

PIR:

1. What is the state of the AQI threat in Al Anbar Province?
2. What is the current level of sectarian violence in Baghdad / Baqubah?
3. Are the accelerants of sectarian violence (EJK, VBIEDs) present in Baghdad / Baqubah?
4. What is the status of militias in Baghdad?
5. Are EFPs effective against Coalition and/or Iraqi Security Forces?
6. What is the current status of the nine administrative districts of Baghdad?
7. How effective are AQI insurgents in the Baghdad Security Belts?
8. What is the current level of violence in Sadr City?

FFIR:

1. Do we have enough forces to secure the Baghdad berm / barrier?
2. Do we have enough forces to interdict / neutralize I&FF along the TRV and ERV?
3. Do we have enough forces to Clear, Control, and Retain Baghdad's nine Administrative Districts?
4. Do we have enough forces to disrupt the flow of VBIEDs and EFPs into Baghdad?
5. Do we have enough forces to secure the Southern LOCs?
6. Do we have enough forces to secure the Baghdad Security Belts?

MNC-I Priorities

1. Reduce sectarian violence in Baghdad with sustained, deliberate success
2. Neutralize Sunni and Shia extremist groups
3. Exploit successes of MND-N and MINF-W
4. Keep illegal weapons and foreign fighters out of Iraq

C3 Planning Priorities

FUOPS (C3S)

- Ashura
- 3 x IA BDE movement to Baghdad
- 5 x BCT Reception
- ISF Operational Reserve (Strike Force)
- Counter-Smuggling / POE Closure
- Operation FAIR PLAY
- International Zone Transition Plan
- Defeat AQI / Extremists
- ASR ASPEN Construction
- Arba'een Security Plan

PLANS (C3T)

- Operation Together Forward
- Transition Bridging Strategy
- Additional Division Headquarters
- Samarra Brigade
- OTF Branch Plan
- Secure Iraqi Borders
- Sadr City Options
- Base Consolidation and Closure
- IGFC OPCON and Transition of IA DIV Coalition Participation

PIC Dates

DATE	EVENT	PIC
1 Feb-07	Irbil PIC	PIC
2 Feb-07	Ninewa PIC	PIC
3 Feb-07	Qadisiyah PIC	PIC
4 Mar-07	Basra Ad On PIC	PIC
5 Mar-07	Diyala PIC	PIC
6 Mar-07	Baqubah PIC	PIC
7 Mar-07	Karbala PIC	PIC
8 Apr-07	Wasit PIC	PIC
9 Apr-07	Basra PIC	PIC
10 Apr-07	Kut PIC	PIC
11 Jun-07	Baghdad PIC	PIC
12 Dec-07	Al Anbar PIC	PIC

Timeline Events

DATE	EVENT	STATUS
25-Jun-07	4/1 IA FOC IN BAGHDAD	IA MOVE
1-Feb-07	3/4 IA FOC IN BAGHDAD	IA MOVE
4-Feb-07	2/2 ABN FOC IN BAGHDAD	TOALAD
8-Feb-07	1 TO 3 MEF TOA	TOALAD
15-Feb-07	1 IA OPCON TO IGFC	IGFC
15-Feb-07	1/1 AD TO 13D TOA	TOALAD
20-Feb-07	1/2 IA FOC IN BAGHDAD	IA MOVE
1-Mar-07	FOB OLSON TRANSFER	BRAC
1-Mar-07	3 IA OPCON TO IGFC	IGFC
1-Mar-07	3 IA OPCON TO IGFC	IGFC
15-Mar-07	3/3D LAD IN KUWAIT	TOALAD
15-Mar-07	15TH MEU OUTCHOP	TOALAD
17-Mar-07	4/1D FOC IN BAGHDAD	TOALAD
31-Mar-07	SHABAH LOG BASE TRANSFER	BRAC
31-Mar-07	5 IA OPCON TO IGFC	IGFC
15-Apr-07	4/28BCT LAD IN KUWAIT	TOALAD
1-May-07	2 USMC BN FOC IN ANBAR	TOALAD
15-May-07	2/3D LAD IN KUWAIT	TOALAD
1-Jun-07	COMBAT OUTPOST TRANSFER	BRAC
15-Jun-07	FOB SUMMERALL TRANSFER	BRAC
25-Jun-07	FOB MCHERY TRANSFER	BRAC
30-Jun-07	COB RAWAH TRANSFER	BRAC
30-Jun-07	FOB BRASSFIELD-MORA TRANSFER	BRAC
15-Jul-07	3/2 ABN TO 173D ABN TOA	TOALAD

Cultural Events

DATE	EVENT	CULTURAL
20-Jun-07	HEJRA - ISLAMIC NEW YEAR	CULTURAL
25-Jun-07	DEATH OF 33 IMAM (HUSAYN)	CULTURAL
11-Feb-07	GOLDEN MOSQUE BOMBING (SAMARRA)	CULTURAL
13-Feb-07	DEATH OF 4TH IMAM (ALI)	CULTURAL
15-Mar-07	DEATH OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD	CULTURAL
31-Mar-07	SUNNI OBSV BIRTH OF PROPHET	CULTURAL
5-Apr-07	SUNNI OBSV BIRTH OF PROPHET	CULTURAL
8-Apr-07	DEATH OF 2D CALIPH (UMAR)	CULTURAL
9-Apr-07	DEATH OF 10TH IMAM (ALI AL-NAQI)	CULTURAL
18-Jul-07	DEATH OF 7TH IMAM (MUSA AL-KAZIMI)	CULTURAL
8-Aug-07	DEATH OF 7TH IMAM (MUSA AL-KAZIMI)	CULTURAL
12-Sep-07	RAMADAN BEGINS	CULTURAL
10-Oct-07	RAMADAN ENDS	CULTURAL

Surge Force Flow

Timeline from January to June showing the movement and deployment of various units. Key units include 3/8 FOC, Adnon, BSC, FOC, 1-2 MAR, 4/1 ID, 2-5 MAR, 3/3 ID, 4/2 ID, and 2/3 FOC.

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