

MULTI-NATIONAL CORPS IRAQ - OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES

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

MNC-I conducts combat and stability operations in coordination with the Iraqi Security Forces to secure the population, defeat terrorists and irreconcilable extremists, neutralize insurgent and militia groups, and transition responsibilities to the ISF in order to reduce violence, gain the support of the people, stabilize Iraq, and enable GOI security self-reliance. NLT December 2007, we will establish improved stability and create irreversible momentum, leading to wide-ranging political accommodation and sustainable security by December 2008 and to the ultimate goal of self-reliance in the longer term.

PURPOSE: The purpose of our operations is to bring stability to Iraq and then to sustain it in order to create time and space for the Iraqis to make progress toward political accommodation, continued political and economic development, and ultimately self-reliance. We accomplish this first by securing the population of Iraq, with priority to Baghdad, followed by the nine strategic cities and the rest of the country. Additionally, we must continue to support the development of a capable GOI and ISF so that both are viewed as legitimate and credible in the eyes of Iraqis. In order to sustain stability over time, we help build governmental capacity, strengthen GOI legitimacy, reduce sectarian behavior in Iraqi security institutions, and deliberately transition security responsibilities to the ISF as they demonstrate appropriate readiness to assume them. All of this leads to Iraqi self-reliance, creating the conditions for a peaceful, stable Iraq, led by a representative government subscribing to the rule of law, able to provide security for its people, and denying its territory as a terrorist safe haven.

Key Tasks:
 Protect the population
 Facilitate reconciliation
 Defeat AQI and extremists
 Continue to develop ISF capacity
 Assist efforts to build and improve GOI capacity
 Protect the Force

Endstate: In the near term, an improved level of stability is achieved; the population is secure and conditions are set for the restoration of civil authority in Iraq, with priority to Baghdad; sectarian violence is reduced and militia influence is diminished. GOI legitimacy is enhanced as the Iraqi government demonstrates increased ability to provide security, essential services, justice based on the rule of law, and economic opportunity for all Iraqis. Iraqi Security Forces, while continuing to build capacity, are in the lead - for the most part - with CF in tactical or operational overwatch. AQI and other extremists are neutralized and under persistent CF and ISF pressure. Their freedom of action is limited, and their operations are unable to disrupt progress toward political accommodation where cessfires exist. In the longer term, Iraq is self-reliant and politically stable with the institutions and resources it needs to govern justly, secure from internal and external threats, inaccessable as a safe haven for terrorists, and integrated into the international community as an engine for regional economic growth.

TIMELINE EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	POSS
23-May-07	1ST SUST BDE POSS	POSS
14-Jun-07	2/3 ID FOC	FOC
18-Jul-07	1/101AA POSS	POSS
22-Jul-07	1/104D (TS) TO 1/82ABN TOA	TOA
1-Aug-07	1/04M TO 5/28F SB	TOA
15-Sep-07	3/25BCT TO 2CR BCT TOA	TOA
1-Oct-07	3/10 TO 3/101AA TOA	TOA
15-Oct-07	1/25D TO 1/101M TOA	TOA
25-Oct-07	1/82ABN TO 1/101AA TOA	TOA
4-Nov-07	2/10M TO 4/3D TOA	TOA
24-Nov-07	4/25ABN TO 2/101AA TOA	TOA

CULTURAL EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	CULTURAL
18-Jul-07	DEATH OF 10TH IMAM (ALI AL-NAQI)	CULTURAL
9-Aug-07	DEATH OF 7TH IMAM (MUSA AL-KAZIM)	CULTURAL
13-Sep-07	RAMMADAN BEGINS	CULTURAL
13-Oct-07	RAMMADAN ENDS	CULTURAL

PIC Dates

DATE	EVENT	PIC
30-May-07	1st IRI PIC	PIC
30-May-07	Subaymariyah PIC	PIC
31-May-07	Dahuk PIC	PIC
15-Jul-07	Babai PIC	PIC
15-Jul-07	Ninawa PIC	PIC
15-Jul-07	Sach Ab Din PIC	PIC
15-Jul-07	Bagdah PIC	PIC
15-Jul-07	Karbala PIC	PIC
15-Aug-07	Qadisyah PIC	PIC
15-Aug-07	West PIC	PIC
15-Aug-07	Diwala PIC	PIC
15-Sep-07	Kirkuk PIC	PIC
15-Sep-07	Bagdah PIC	PIC
15-Sep-07	Bagdah PIC	PIC
15-Sep-07	Al Karbi PIC	PIC

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C3 PLANNING PRIORITIES

FMOPs (C3S)

- Rotation of 21 Bns to FOB Delta (OP Black Switch)
- Karbala OP Switch (OP Black Rooster)
- MOH FPS (OP Black Crescent)
- 3/2 SBCT to Bagdah (OP Black Arrow)
- 3-500 Return to MND-C (OP Greenline)
- 2/3 HBCT RSOI (OP Black Vidalia)
- Golden Dome Mosque (OP Black Shamrock)
- Mosul Dam CONOPS (OP Black Rapids)
- 1/3 MEU (OP Black Gators)
- 1/3 Reserve Operations (OP Black Tiger)

PLANS (C3T)

- OPORD 07-01 Development
- Operations in Qamisi East of LK Thar Thar
- Theater Regrouping Planning
- 1/3 HBCT Upgrade
- 1/3 BCT Reorganization
- Border Strategy
- Information Security
- 1/3 HBCT Upgrade
- 1/3 BCT Reorganization

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