OP PHANTOM STRIKE
COUNTERING AQI SURGE:
MNF-W ANALYSIS AND OPERATIONS

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Here we have broken out the data by large incidents in the six key cities in MNF-W (Ramadi, Fallujah, Hit, Hadithah, Al Qaim, and Rutbah), and large incidents everywhere else. As the top chart shows, the number of large incidents in the six key cities has been below average since February. This is a direct result of MNF-W’s efforts to keep persistent presence of CF/ISF forces in these key cities, and to force insurgents out into the “hinterlands.” The bottom chart shows that the number of large incidents outside the vicinity of the six key cities has recently declined from a high point in late March/early April, but still hovers around the average value. These results, combined with the previous slide, indicate that insurgents have been fleeing the cities as a result of CF/IA/IP presence.
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RCT-6 (AO RAILEIGH):
W-1, W-2, AND W-5

OP BLACK DIAMOND (2/7 (REIN), 1ST RECON) (KARMAH): JUN-SEPT. RCT-6 isolates and clears Karmah ICW ISF IOT interdict accelerator to Baghdad/Fallujah and deny AIF/AQI safehaven.

OP ALLAH (2S, 1ST RECON) (FALLUJAH): MAY-OCT. RCT-6 systematically secures and establishes permanent IP occupation within designated Fallujah IP districts IOT set conditions for IP control within Fallujah.

TEAM GATOR (A Co. 2d AAV, AT/TOW SCOUT PLT) (MSR MOBILE)
Mech/Motorized Patrols focused on disrupting IED cells.
AO Topeka IED Density
6 weeks (10 June 2007 – 21 July 2007)

NOTE: IED Hotspot areas indicate both events/ incidents and finds.

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1-3 BCT (AO TOPEKA):
- W-6 AND W-7
- TOPEKA SECURITY PLAN

- AEROSCOUT: 1-3 BCT, in partnership with ISF, conducts missions into BCT Security Area to the south
- RAMADI AND SELECTED SITES: in partnership with ISF, protect critical infrastructure
- COMBINED OPS: 1-9 IN with 2/1 IA, BDE vic COP SEDGWICK, disrupt AQAI activity to south and near Atlantic City and Compton Bridges

KEY:
- MNF-W PRIORITY / RED HOTSPOT
- ONGOING / PLANNED OPERATION:
  - MNF-W / MNC-I FOCUS AREA:

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AO Denver IED Density
6 weeks (10 June 2007 – 21 July 2007)

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RCT-2 [AO DENVER]:
W-8 THRU W-12

- OP MAWTINI I AND II:
  RCT-2, in partnership with ISF, conducts
  disruption ops IOT deny AQI/AIF ability to surge,
  reestablish presence in urban areas and find
  sanctuary in remote areas within the AO
  MAWTINI

- ERW SITES:
  RECON/SURVEY of
  remaining Explosive
  Remnants of War (ERW)
  sites in MNF-W (22
  TOTAL)EST 60 DAYS
  TO COMPLETE ICW
  ONGOING OPS)

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MNF-W SECURITY AREA

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SUMMARY

During Operation Phantom Strike, MNF-W will focus on continuing to maximize the synergy between operations within and between its AO’s in order to deny AQI/AIF the opportunity to regroup and threaten key urban areas and critical infrastructure, as well as target IED Emplacement Cells within known and potential IED Hotspots.
QUESTIONS
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### MNF-W HME Based IEDs 2007

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HME FINDS THROUGHOUT MNF-W ARE RISING DUE TO AIF/AQI CHANGE IN TTPS AND LACK OF ACCESS TO MIL-GRADE EXPLOSIVES.
**OPERATION BLACK DIAMOND (KARMAH)**

**MISSION:** OIC 2/7 isolates and clears Karma in order to interdict accelerants to Baghdad/Al-Qaim and deny Al/IAQI safehaven.

**TASK ORGANIZATION**

- **METHOD:**
  - Conduct enduring QWNO tasks per RCT-6 (HF 06-08 OCP).
  - Focus interdiction against IRF and IED in AO KARMAH.
  - Focus on AO KARMAH and AO SNAIY.
  - Continue to sustain development of ISF capability to assume security (AO KARMAH).

- **Supporting:** 3d MAB-1/101 and 85th Inf Div.

- **RETURN TO AO RALEIGH SLIDE**

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**KEY INFORMATION**

- **Primary Force:** RCT-6 (LVT)
- **ISF Personnel:** N/A
- **CF Personnel:** 617
- **# of vehicles:** 100
- **# of Aircraft:** FW/RW CAS request
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- **Nearest City:** Karma
- **Planned Start Date:** 16 Jun 07
- **Planned End Date:** 1 Sep 07

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**OPERATION BLACK DIAMOND (KARMAH)**

**RETURN TO AO RALEIGH SLIDE**
### OPERATION ALLJAH

#### KEY INFORMATION
- **Primary Force:** RGB (490)
- **CIV Personnel:** 120
- **MND Personnel:** 106
- **AOI Personnel:** 73
- **Vehicles:** 150
- **Others**: FOB Wadi Gab Demolished

#### NEAREST CITY:
- Fallujah

#### Planned Start Date:
- 29 May – Oct 07

#### TASK ORGANIZATION (TF)
- 1-4 ACR
- 3-24 (Mortar) BN
- 3-82 (24) (Mortar) BN
- 2-16 (Mortar) BN
- 2-24 (Mortar) BN
- 2-82 (Mortar) BN

#### MISSION:
- Between May and October 2007, TF 1-4 143 systematically secures and establishes permanent IP occupation within designated Fallujah PRC districts in order to set conditions for IP control within Fallujah.

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#### RETURN TO AO RALEIGH SLIDE

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**Friendly Situation**
- RGB and various AOI forces near Fallujah.
- Incident: Iraqi forces near Fallujah.
- Relations: RGB suffers losses.
- Recommendations:
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Operation SILVER ANVIL

REQUESTED EFFECTIVE 190000z JUN 2007

Concept of Operations: WNF-30 seeks Muthanna Chemical Complex and employs unattended ground sensors with 15ft XBO. This operation will be conducted in three phases.

Phase I
- Develop list of who is at site, what is at site, and determine if there is opportunity to commence operations.

Phase II
- On 19 Jun 07, 13th MEB
- Conducts operation to secure Muthanna Chemical Complex, kill or capture A2I using site and unattended sensors.
- Withdraws and monitors site via unattended ground sensors, takes ISR, and periodic patrols.
- Conducts operations to kill/capture A2I based on detection of A2I presence at Muthanna Chemical Complex.

Phase III
- See OPD under development.

Timeline:
- H Hour: 190000z JUN 07
- Begin Phase I: 190000z JUN 07
- Begin Phase II: 190001z JUN 07
- Begin Phase III: 190002z JUN 07

Non-Kill Effects:
- Ensure population that MCC is not a sole place to operate ILOI (prevent unnecessary casualties)
- Safeguard information listed in the critical information list
- Document operations to enable exploitation or mitigation at unattended sites
- Support the OOD effort using airborne UAV systems
- Commanders issue claim forms as necessary to compensate civilian damage.

No-Kill/Countermeasures:
- Counter IDS:
  - Increased MPS conduct clearance operations and monitor UDI
  - Counter-GMD:
  - High priority for DMS, IDS, BW, EW, and UAV support

ECRIM Special:
- HCN/HC:
  - Detects specific and volatile
- MEDEVAC: Support MNF-W TACOS, imbedded in assault package

RETURN TO AO ANAHEIM SLIDE
**Operation Pegasus Bridge**

**Friendly Situation**
- Purpose: To establish a secure base from which to conduct counter-terrorism operations.
- Key Objective: To deny AFG control of the area.
- Method: Use of AOGF to disrupt AFG control and establish control over the area.

**Community's Intent**
- Purpose: To secure and control the area, thereby preventing AFG infiltration and establishing secure communication hubs.

**Task Organization**
- Role of AOGF: To secure and control the area, thereby preventing AFG infiltration and establishing secure communication hubs.
- Method: Use of AOGF to disrupt AFG control and establish control over the area.

**Mission**
- NLT 3/300000 D-JUL 3/31 (13h MNU) conducts deliberate targeting of TAD.
- BLESS BRIDGE 101 is an AOGF, PEGASUS BRIDGE 13 to deny AOGF, sanctaury and freedom of movement, and establish the conditions for the introduction of a permanent ISF presence in AOGF.

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Aero-Scout Mission
EXAMPLE

What: Aero-Scout Mission 07-12
When: 0800-0900 30 Jul 07
Where: Sectors I-6
Why: RCT-2 CO directs Aero-Scout in sectors I to disrupt AIF activity within RSA South ISO Operation Mowtini.
MNH-M TRAP Security Force will be used.

RETURN TO AO ANAHEIM SLIDE
OPERATION MAWTINI (MY HOMELAND)

KEY INFORMATION

- Premier Force: RCT 2
- NBC Personnel: 720
- INF Personnel: 2000
- CF Personnel: 720
- # of vehicles: 5200
- # of aircraft: 200
- Key battles: RTT, Hadnahin, Suq, Marghah

15 JULY - 16 AUG 07

REMARKS TO THE DELEGATION

- Return to AD Denver SLIDE

RETURN TO AD DENVER SLIDE

MISSION: On 15 July 07, RCT 2 and RTT conducted their first major operation with the ISF. The goal is to conduct disruption operations in order to deny the enemy the ability to conduct static operations and re-establish their key operational areas.

REMARKS:
- 10 battalions and 2 PRTC Brigades validated
- Coordinating and liaison with ISF is ongoing
- Key elements: RTT, Hadnahin, Suq, Marghah

RETURN TO AD DENVER SLIDE
Site 239  19 km from Al ASAD
Site 240  22 km from Al ASAD
Site 26   82 km from Al ASAD 132 km from AL QAIM
Site 25   118 km from Al ASAD  75 km from AL QAIM
Site 27   160 km from Al ASAD  6 km from AL QAIM
BACKUP SLIDES