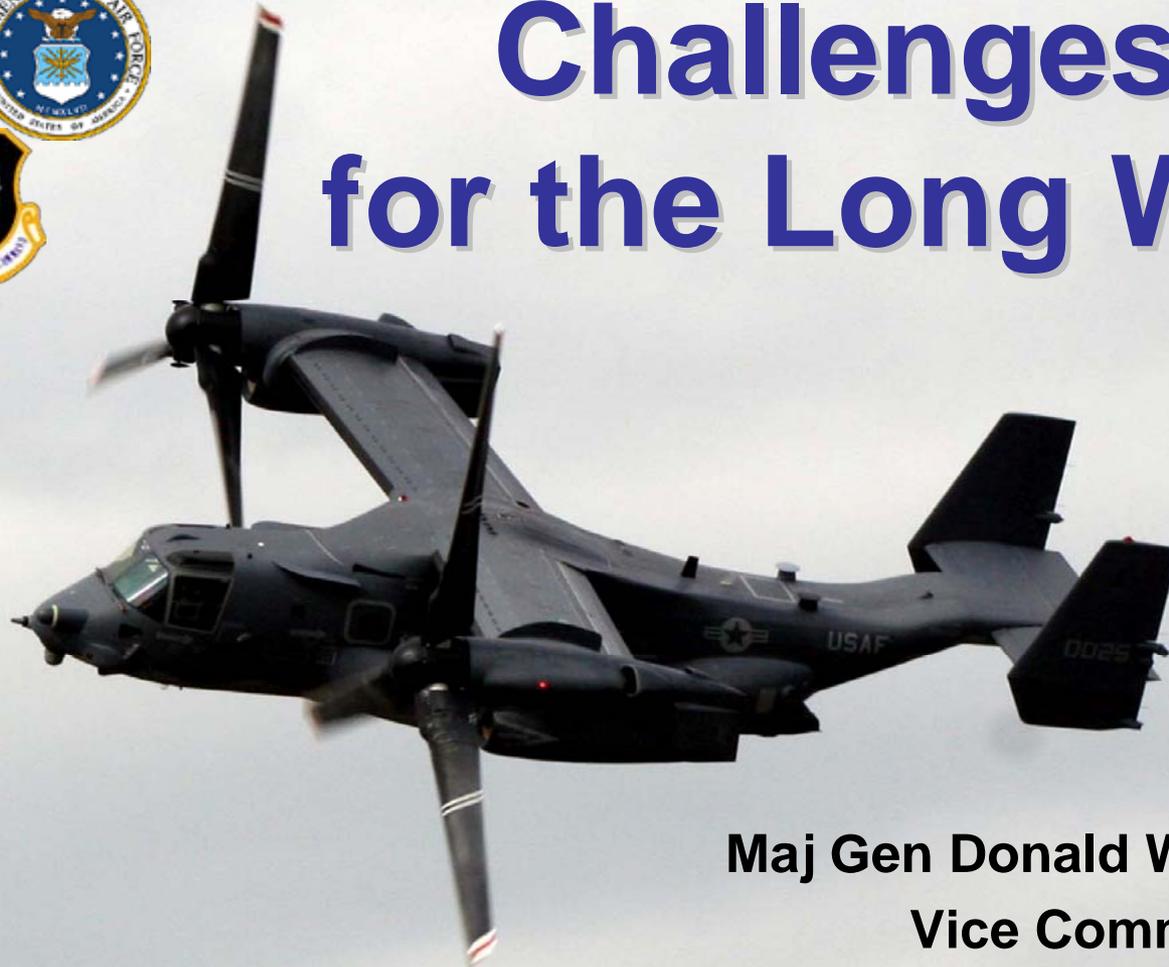


AIR FORCE SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND

Air Commandos



Challenges for the Long War



Maj Gen Donald Wurster
Vice Commander



AFSOC

America's **Specialized Airpower**

Air Component to Special Operations





AFSOC Weapons Systems Overview





Gunship Operations

Weapon Systems



AC-130H/U



Precision requires Training



“You can run...but you’ll only die tired”



Precision Fire Support Way Ahead

Near Term Upgrades:

- 30mm replacing 25mm & 40mm
- Replace ALLTV with GMS2
- Improve UAV collaboration



Change in Paradigm

- Variable effects (non-lethal to lethal)
 - Higher threat areas
- Multiple, simultaneous targets
 - All-weather, day/night
 - Directed energy



Mobility – Infil / Exfil / Resupply

Weapon Systems



MC-130E/H/W



Fixed Wing Mobility Way Ahead

MC-130W



- Increase Commonality
- Center Wing Box Issues
- MC-130W
- SOF Tanker Recap

SOF Tanker



Recapitalization Requirement

23 X MC-130P Replacements

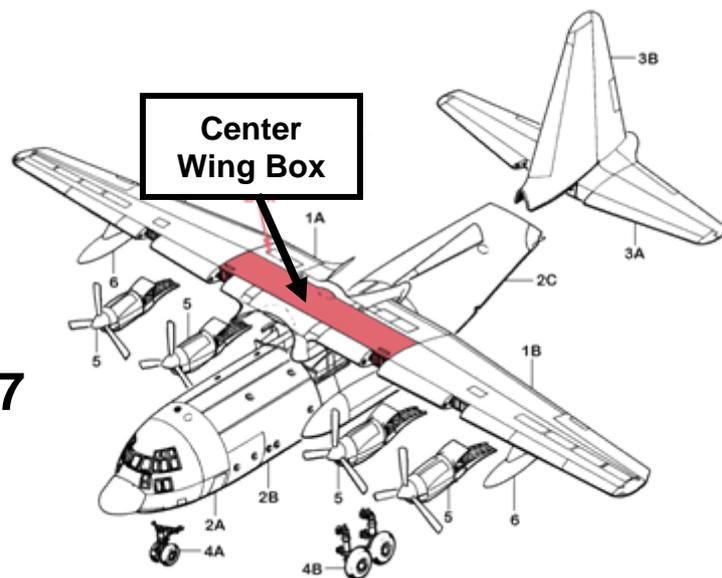
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12 X SOF Tanker QDR Augments

12 X MC-130W Replacements

61 SOF Tankers

37





Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance



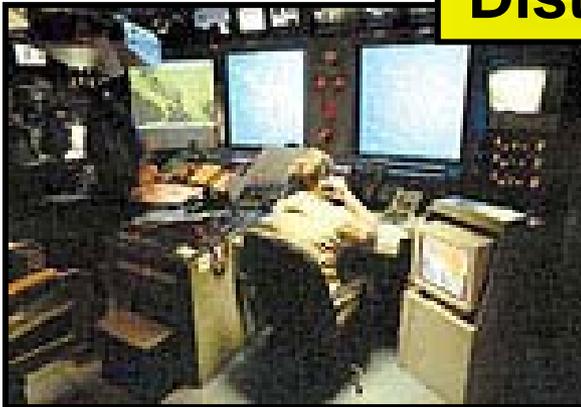
3rd SOS
**Tactical ISR support of
Special Operations Forces**





Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance

**11th Intelligence Squadron
SOF Dedicated
Distributed Ground System**



***“Specialized
Intel for
Special
Operations”***



**Providing Near Real-Time Intelligence
directly to Operators**



Transformational Mobility



CV-22 Osprey

- Farther and faster in one period of darkness
- 1st CV-22 delivered to Hurlburt in Nov 06



8 SOS is 1st Operational CV-22 Sq





Theater Mobility

Weapon Systems

319th SOS

**Tactical in-theater support of
Special Operations Forces**





Battlefield Airmen

Overview



Family of Airmen
Combat Controllers
Combat Weathermen
Pararescuemen



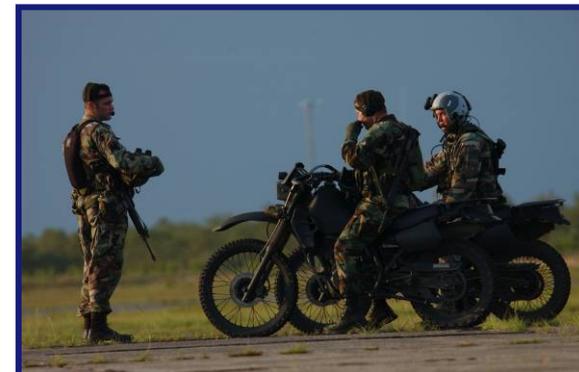
- Enable Air Power
- Advanced Skills Training
 - BAO Kit



Highly Trained Personnel

Why We Succeed

- Highly skilled, mature operators
- Regional orientation, cultural sensitivity, language skills
- Creative and Adaptable
- Small, flexible, joint teams



“The nation that will insist on drawing a broad line of demarcation between the fighting man and the thinking man is liable to have its fighting done by fools and its thinking done by cowards.”

Sir William Francis Butler



Aviation Foreign Internal Defense

Overview

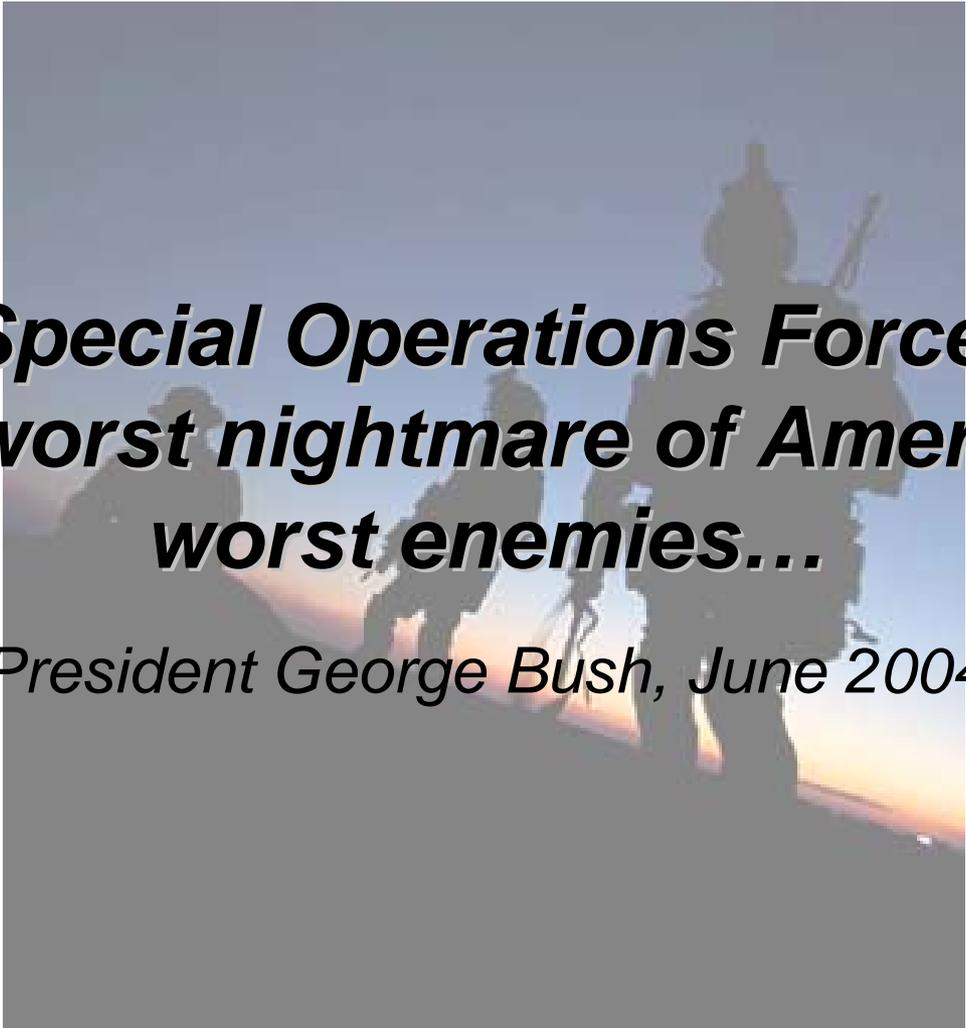


6 SOS
Assess
Train
Advise
Assist
Integrate





Current Operations

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***Our Special Operations Forces are
the worst nightmare of America's
worst enemies...***

President George Bush, June 2004



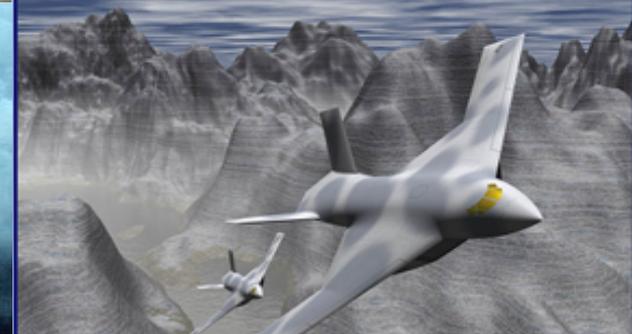
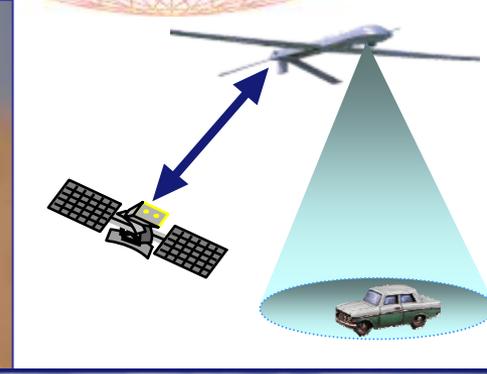
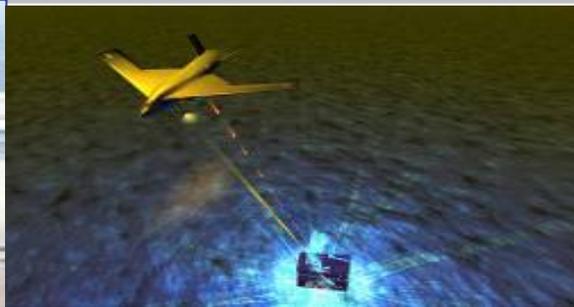
A Bad Day to be a Terrorist...





AFSOC Transformed

...Joint, Integrated, and Relevant to GWOT



“...Our Special Ops, The Worst Nightmare of America’s Worst Enemies” President Bush