

# AVIATION FOREIGN INTERNAL DEFENSE



# AGENDA

- **BACKGROUND**
- **USSOCOM // AFSOC INITIATIVES**
- **ADVISORY TASKS AND OBJECTIVES**
- **CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS**
- **OPERATIONAL/STRATEGIC RELEVANCE**
- **FUTURE DIRECTIONS**
- **CHALLENGES**



# BACKGROUND

- **AFSOF FOREIGN AVIATION TRAINING AND ADVISORY CAPABILITY LOST c.1973**
- **LATER SOF FOREIGN TNG OPERATIONS FOCUSED ON SURFACE OPERATIONS**
- **HN AIR UNITS PURSUED UNILATERAL INTERESTS**
- **LONG-TERM AVIATION VOID CREATED JOINT-FORCE IMBALANCE**



# IMPACT

- **REDUCES NCA/CINC OPTIONS**
- **U.S. AIR SUPPORT MAY NOT MATERIALIZE**
- **REDUCES HN CAPABILITIES WHEN CHIPS ARE DOWN**
- **AFFECTS US SECURITY INTERESTS**



# AVIATION-FID INITIATIVES

- 1986--DOD REORGANIZATION ACT ASSIGNS FID MISSION TO USSOCOM
- 1989--COMMANDO RALLY ADDRESSES AVIATION FID CONCEPT AND DOCTRINE
- 1991--JMA STUDY DEFINES NEED
- 1992--AIR FORCE PUBLISHES AVIATION FID DOCTRINE (AFM 2-11)
- 1992--SOCOM DIR 10-1 ASSIGNS AVIATION FID PROPONENCY TO AFSOC
- 1992--AFSOC STANDS UP NUCLEUS UNIT
- 1994--6th SPECIAL OPERATIONS SQUADRON (AFSOC) REACTIVATED



# **OPERATIONAL AVIATION DETACHMENTS**

- **OAD-A (TACTICAL): 13 PERSONNEL**
- **OAD-B (SUPPORT): 10 PERSONNEL**
- **OAD CHARACTERISTICS:**
  - **MULTI-DISCIPLINED**
  - **LANGUAGE QUALIFIED**
  - **AREA ORIENTED**
  - **CULTURALLY/POLITICALLY SENSITIVE**



# 6 SOS THEATER ORIENTATION (MANPOWER AUTHORIZATIONS)

## OAD-As THEATER

**PRESENT**                    **1 SOUTHCOM**  
**1 PACOM**  
**1 CENTCOM**  
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**Funded FY '98**                    **+1 *TBD***

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**Projected FY '00**                    **+1 *TBD***

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**6    TOTAL**



# **ADVISE/TRAIN/ASSESS FOREIGN AVIATION FORCES**

- **EMPLOYMENT**
  - TACTICAL FLYING OPERATIONS
  - MISSION PLANNING
- **SUSTAINMENT**
  - AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE
  - AIR BASE SUPPLY AND TRANSPORTATION
  - LOGISTICS PLANNING
  - AIRBASE DEFENSE
- **FORCE INTEGRATION**



# CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

- **DEPLOY AS TACTICAL ADVISORY TEAMS**
- **“A” TEAMS COLLOCATE WITH HN FORCES**
- **OAD-B SUPPORTS MULTIPLE TEAMS**
- **AUGMENT WITH NON-RESIDENT SKILLS**
- **ASSESS HN AVIATION CAPABILITIES**
- **ADVISE/TRAIN HN COUNTERPARTS**
- **PROVIDE JOINT-COMBINED LIAISON**



# **OPERATIONAL-LEVEL OBJECTIVES**

- **FILL THE AVIATION VOID**
- **SUPPORT CINC'S OBJECTIVES**
- **BRING HOST-NATION AIR TO THE FIGHT--  
BUILD JOINTNESS**
- **FOCUS HN AVIATION PROGRAMS ON  
APPROPRIATE MISSIONS AND  
CAPABILITIES**
- **ENHANCE HN SELF-RELIANCE AND  
VIABILITY**

# STRATEGIC RELEVANCE

- **FWD PRESENCE AND ENGAGEMENT**
- **ECONOMY OF FORCE**



# RESULTS

- **BROUGHT HOST NATION AIR TO THE FIGHT**
- **INTEGRATED HN AIR INTO JOINT COMBINED TRAINING AND EXERCISE PLANS**
- **MADE IT A JOINT BATTLEFIELD**
- **FIRST TIME CONTACT BETWEEN HOST NATION AND JSOACC**
- **MOVED HN AVIATION TOWARDS US SAFETY STANDARDS**



# **FUTURE STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS**

- **DIVERSE TASKINGS**
- **MULTIPLE-THEATER OPERATIONS**
- **BUILDING COALITIONS TO MEET ASYMMETRIC THREATS**



# CHALLENGES

- **CONTROLLING THE OPS TEMPO**
- **MEETING THE DEMAND**
- **KEY ISSUES**
  - **UNIT SIZE**
  - **SCOPE OF OPERATIONS**
  - **UNIT STRUCTURE**



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