

US Special Operations Command



USSOCOM & Joint CA Proponency

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Purpose

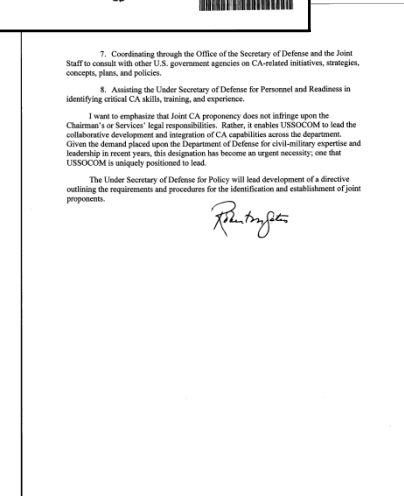
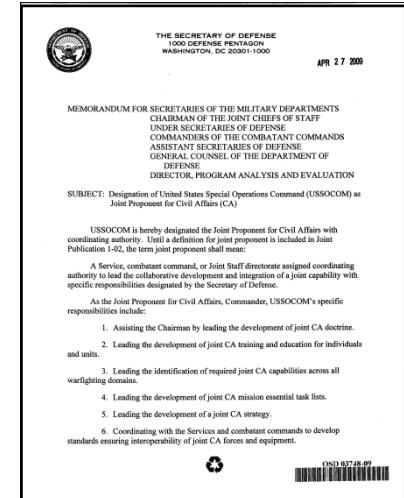
**Provide an overview of USSOCOM execution of
DOD/Joint Proponency for CA**



Authorities

■ SECDEF Memorandum APR09

- **CDR, USSOCOM designated 'Joint Proponent for Civil Affairs'**
- **Working definition of 'Joint Proponent'**
 - Since vetted with Joint Community as part of JP 3-22 (FID)
- **Assigns 'coordinating authority to lead collaborative development' for CA**
- **Eight (8) specific responsibilities**
 - Lead development of joint CA Doctrine
 - Lead development of joint CA training and education
 - Lead identification of required joint CA capabilities
 - Lead development of joint CA mission essential task list
 - Lead development of joint CA strategy
 - Coordinating to develop standards for interoperability of joint CA forces and equipment
 - Through OSD and JS consult with other USG agencies on CA-related initiatives, strategies, concepts, plans and policies
 - Assist in identifying critical CA skills, training and experience





USSOCOM Proponency Office

- **J33 CA is the DOD/Joint CA Proponency Office for USSOCOM**
 - **Coordination and integration for DOD/Joint Proponency within the command and with the Services and USJFCOM**
 - **Ensure interoperability in training, equipment, forces, doctrine**
 - **Enable capabilities to accomplish current and future CA missions**

'...actively represent DoD CA with guidance, advocacy and support to create a more effective, professional, and capable CA community...'

***LTG Fridovich, 8 November 2008
CA Association Conference***



USSOCOM Proponent Responsibilities

- **Coordinate and integrate DOTMLPF requirements with the Services to ensure interoperability, specifically as it relates to doctrine, institutional training and combat development**

- **Doctrine**

- Executed by USSOCOM J7
- Develop joint CA doctrine – by ‘consensus’
- Review Services CA doctrine for consistency with joint doctrine
- *Most developed / refined of Joint Proponent responsibilities*

- **Training, Leader Development and Education**

- Responsibility of USSOCOM J7 – review / recommendations
- Training – Service driven / ‘consensus’ for Army Pol as baseline
- Education – Service and Joint driven
- Services provide additional training to meet their respective Service requirements



USSOCOM Proponency Responsibilities

■ Combat Development

- The research, development, and testing of new doctrine and organization and its integration with new materiel into the Services to obtain the greatest combat effectiveness
- **USSOCOM's responsibilities**
 - Combat Development for assigned Forces
 - Facilitate the coordination of combat development between the Services for interoperability
 - Recommend CA specific equipment to the Services
- **USSOCOM J8 is the EA for DOD/Joint CA combat development (force structure and equipment requirements)**
- **SORDAC(fmr SOAL) is the EA for DOD/Joint CA combat development (materiel development)**

■ **Personnel and Facilities outside the purview of USSOCOM's DOD proponency responsibilities**



Execution of Proponency

- **Yearly CA proponency conference – upcoming JAN10**
- **Quarterly Video-teleconferences with CA Community of Interest**
- **FY08/09 Unified Joint Task List (UJTL) and Mission Essential Task List (METL) review ICW USSOCOM J7 & Services**
- **SEP09 CA Senior Warfighter Forum (CA SWarF) - COCOMs**
- **FY09/10 Capabilities Based Assessment (CBA) for CA - pending**
- **On-going USSOCOM examination of organization to better execute Proponency responsibilities**



CA and IW

- **DoDD 3000.07 Irregular Warfare (DEC08) (Policy Guidance)**
 - Counter-Terrorism (CT) JP 3-26 (pending JS review)
 - Unconventional Warfare (UW)
 - Foreign Internal Defense (FID) JP 3-22 (est. NOV09)
 - Counterinsurgency (COIN) JP 3-24 (OCT09)
 - Stability Operations (StabOps)

“...that, in the context of IW, involve establishing...order in a fragile state.” (DoDD 3000.07)
- **Civil Affairs a critical element of 4 of 5 core activities (doctrine)**
- **‘Prolonged, irregular worldwide campaign’ (Strategic Guidance)**
 - Persistent
 - Population-centric
 - Comprehensive / Whole of Government
 - Irregular Threats and Challenges



Summary

- **USSOCOM executes Joint CA Proponency to support creation of a more effective, professional, capable CA**
- **USSOCOM J33-CA is primary office responsible**
 - Other J-staffs execute critical duties / responsibilities
 - Services, COCOMs provide critical input
 - Services responsible for 'title 10 - man, train, equip'
- **CA is, inherently, IW-focused**
 - Population-centric
 - Comprehensive in Nature



Questions??



Population-Centric Concept

