US Special Operations Command



GSC-6 Irregular Warfare Sub-Working Group 3 Outbrief

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The overall classification of this briefing is: UNCLASSIFIED//FOUO



 Problem: No clear or common understanding of the concept (inside and outside DOD)

Discussion:

- Impedes DOD IW planning, training, education, organization, and IA integration efforts
- ➤ Term 'warfare' itself impedes effective implementation/execution within the interagency
- Leverage the expertise of our partner nations
- Recommendation: Incorporate IW into existing school curricula and create a DOD IW Center of Excellence



Problem: No unity of effort for Irregular Warfare within DOD

Discussion:

- Need guidance/direction for disparate DOD IW efforts
- Management of capabilities across the services
- Lack of unified direction impedes DOD IW planning, training, education, organization, and IA integration efforts
- Recommendation: Designate and resource an IW Proponent within DOD



- Problem: Current limitations of GPF
- Discussion:
 - Institutionalizing current capabilities
 - Training GPF for IW
 - Task Organization
 - Structure changes/increase
 - Regionally orienting forces
 - Risk acceptance and mitigation
 - Sustainability
 - C2 interoperability (Joint, multi-national and multi-agency)
- Recommendation: Compare capabilities to requirements and determine what shortfalls exist



Problem: Capability and capacity limitations of IA Partners

Discussion:

- Update national security strategy to include IW (i.e. NSC-68 like)
- Little strategy and planning expertise; no resource request mechanism
- Incorporate into DOD planning processes
- Educate Interagency partners' leadership on IW at senior service colleges
 - Staff the SOF chair at senior service colleges
- Legislation/Funding as a forcing function for IA integration
- More IA partners into Military orgs (i.e. AFRICOM)
- Recommendation: group 2?