Background – The Land Battlespace Systems MOU

- Signed in December 2004 by DEC (GM)
- Aim to address specific issues that include:
 - Enhancement of interoperability
 - Risk mitigation based on sharing technology road maps & tools
 - Tactics, techniques, methods and procedures for LBS employment
 - Open and common architectures for LBS & LBS components
 - Identification of system modifications
- MOU established a framework for implementing a cooperative programme of work relating to LBS:
 - To improve understanding of US and UK national programmes
 - To leverage each nation's industrial and technical expertise
 - To define and implement a joint programme of applied research, concept development and technology demonstration





US/UK Land Battlespace Systems MOU C4ISR Project Arrangement objectives

• Objectives:

- To enhance C4ISR interoperability between US Army and UK Joint Forces at brigade/UA level and below operating in the land environment
- To support integrated US/UK Combined and UK Joint force operations in the NCW/NEC vision of 2014 and beyond

• Approach:

- To use best practice systems engineering practices that will enable informed investment decisions to be made for implementation options
- To maximise leverage of ongoing and planned national analyses, studies, modelling and simulation efforts and experimentation
- To facilitate early delivery of C4ISR interoperability capability improvements to current US and UK forces throughout the period 2008 to 2014





Technologically Enabled through Future Combat Systems and Net-Centric Operations



C4ISR PA timescales in relation to the FCS Program Schedule



C4ISR PA Phase 1 Two Years-Three major work streams



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UK Organizational Structure



UK-US Future Force C4ISR Interoperability Vision Paper Highlights

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Current Environment

- Generally Open Terrain
- Linear Array of Forces
- Nation State Actors/forces
- ISR= Movement to contact
- Long Theatre Build up a necessary evil
- Local Actions have local consequences

Maneuver and Firepower dominate

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- C2=Hierarchical Voice and Digital
- Most ISR assets at Strategic and national level

Interoperability

- Relegated to higher echelons
- Mostly Voice and MS Office = air gap to national C2 systems
- Ad Hoc and requires augmentation
- Formal tactical solutions are Rigid and cumbersome=not used
 - Limitations force Mission and Geographical Deconfliction TTPs



Future Environment

- Urban and Complex Terrain
- Non-Linear battle field
- Asymmetric and adaptive actors/forces
- Sense= Engage
- Strategic deployability and off the ramp operations a necessity
- Local actions have strategic consequences Information, Speed, and Precision Dominate

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- Horizontally and vertically integrated networks
- Increase in tactical ISR assets= See First

Interoperability

C4ISR PA Vision = Integrated Force



Customers' Enduring Needs



- Joint, Interagency and Multi-National Capabilities
- Increased Strategic Responsiveness
- Dominant across Full Spectrum
 Operations
- Battle Command on the Move
- Ubiquitous, Distributed Network with Joint Fires
- Integrated Survivability
- 3-7 Days Self-sustainment
- Network Enabled, Embedded Training



Soldiers as the Centerpiece of the Formation

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Role of Experimentation in C4ISR PA

- Integral part of System of Systems SE approach
- Investigation and definition of interoperability options:
 - Requirements definition (functional & non-functional)
 - Option viability & effectiveness
 - Assess technology readiness
 - Identification of shortfalls or limitations
- De-risk capability development options
- Inform concept, doctrine & TTP development





JEFX'06 & SEELEX#5 Results

- JEFX'06:
 - Net-centric interoperability enablers fielded & tested
 - Interoperability & combined effects between air & land forces tested
 - Integration of FCS with current force systems proved
- SEELX#5:
 - Near-real-time Situational Awareness interoperability options investigated
 - Comms interoperability gateways at different echelon levels investigated
 - Capability development options de-risked

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