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JSOTF-N Mission

On order, JSOTF-N conducts Unconventional Warfare and other Special Operations in JSOA North to disrupt Iraqi combat power, IOT prevent effective military operations against CFLCC forces.

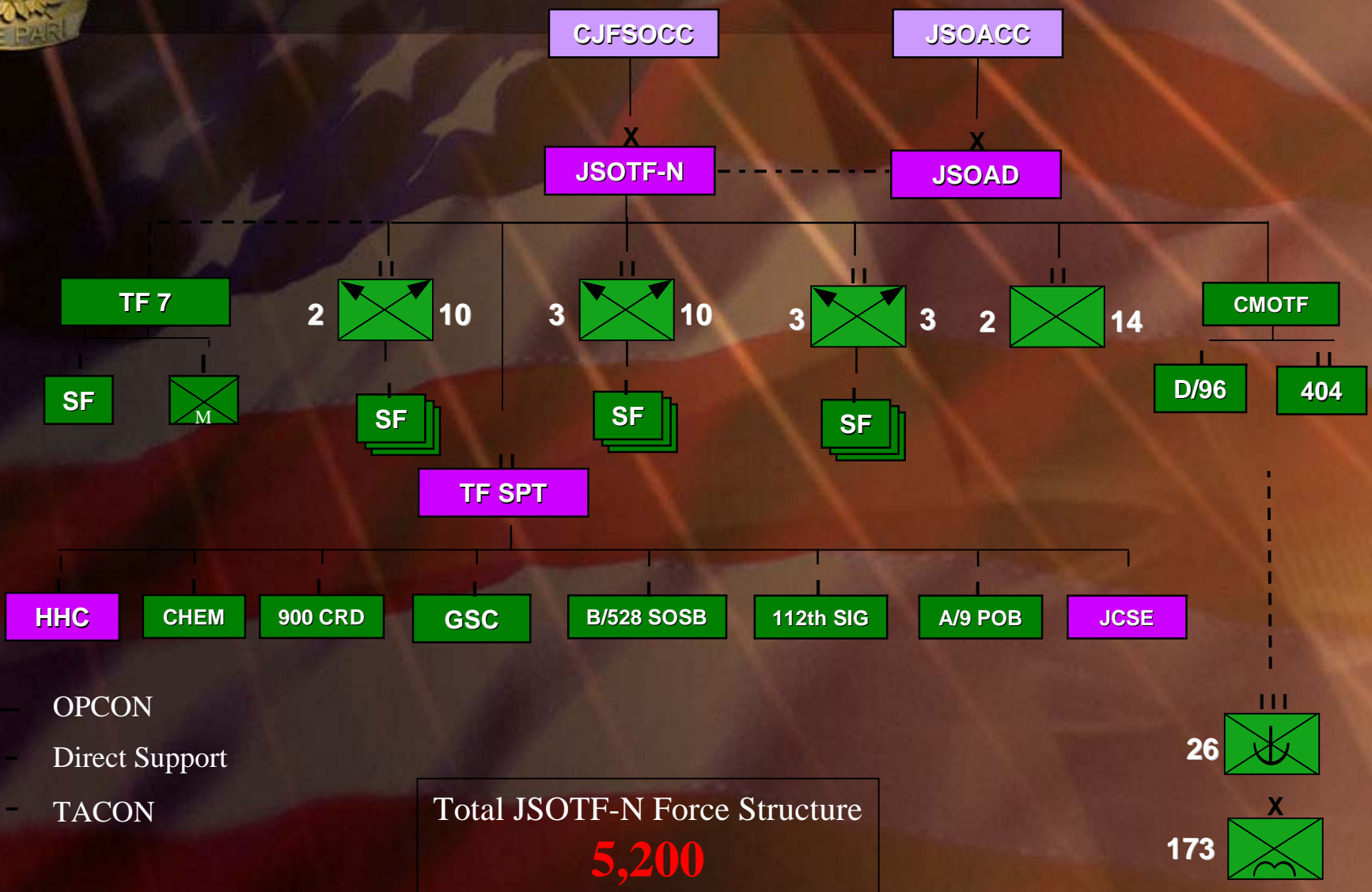


Balancing Act





JSOTF-N Component Commands



The Campaign Plan



Air Interdiction

- JSOTF-N TGT Priorities
- ISR, SR, Sensors
- CFC TGT Priorities

Ground Ops

- Defend key cities
- CAS/TGO Raids
- DC Management

Information Ops

- SPT Deception Plan
- PSYOP/IO Integration
- Capitulation/Local Cease Fires
- Prevent movement
- Limit Oil Infrastructure Damage



IZ Operational Center of Gravity

Adnan RG, Neb RG, 3rd AD

Disrupt IRAQI Operational Mobility
Exploit Operational Success



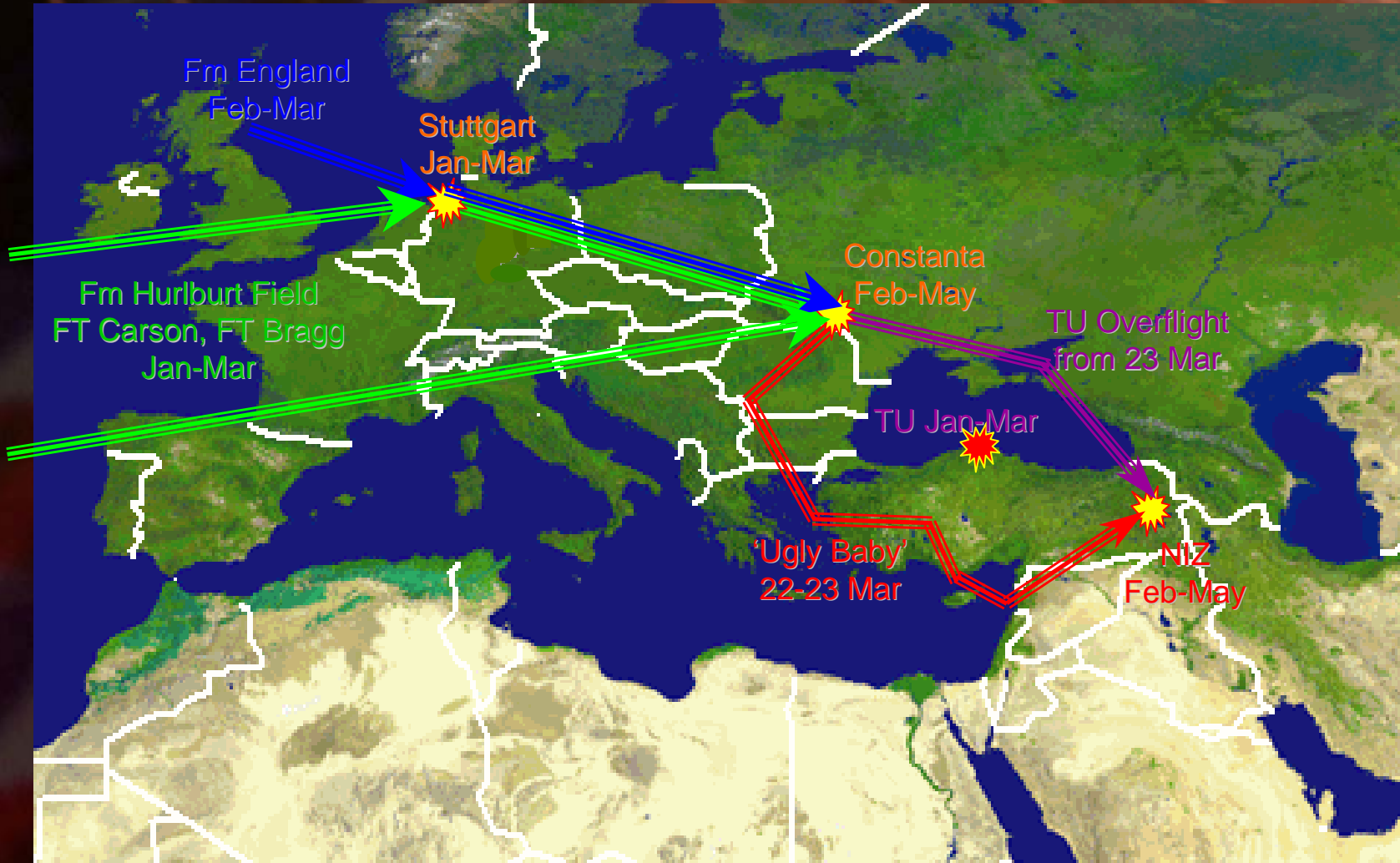
Base Camp: Constanta JOC



Deployed from Europe & CONUS, Operating, Sustained, & Jumped Forward prior to BOS



Deployment & Infiltration



“Ugly Baby” Infiltration



Fuel Streaming Down Fuselage



Bullet Impact on Windshield



Pax, Shaken around but Unhurt



Punctured Engine Nacelle



Prep Fires & Close Air Support



TLAMs, Bombers, Fighters, & Gunships all Work Ansar al Islam wTACs



- Sensitive Sites Exploitable
- Ansar al Islam Severely Damaged
- PUK Rear Area Secured
- Iran Denies Sanctuary to Ansar al Islam
- Peshmerga Morale Skyrockets
- Combat Power Shifts to Greenline



The Greenline: CAS & AI



A B-1 Strike near Badryam in FOB 102's Sector



Iraqi Positions on the Chamchamal Ridge Hit by CAS for ODA 083

Greenline Fight: Into Kirkuk & Mosul



Massed for Rush into Mosul



Iraqi Rearguard Bites Back



The Government Building in Kirkuk, 10 April

Base Camp: Irbil



Preparations



Construction



Operations

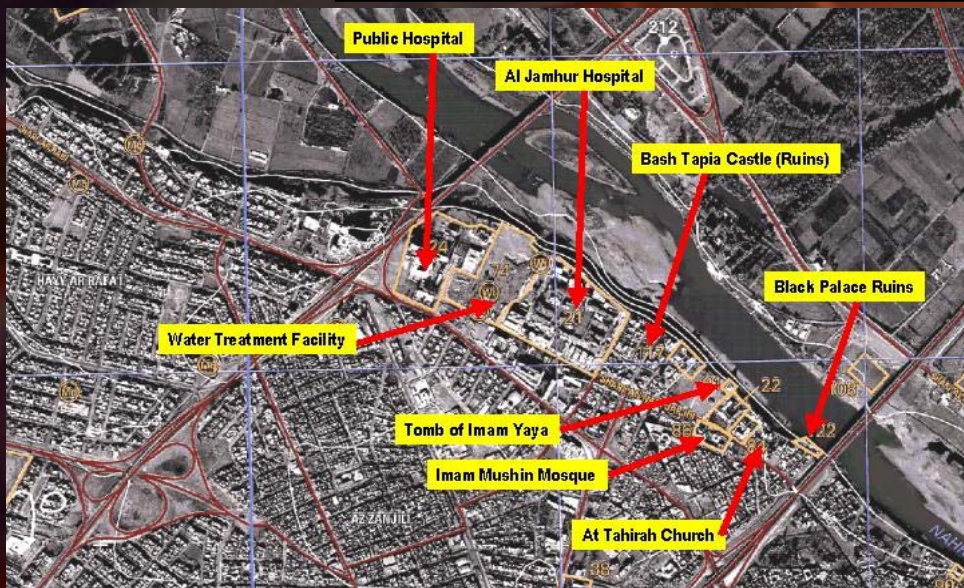
Stabilization & Transition



Arabs Voice Concerns to CA



SF & Mech Coordinate a Patrol in Kirkuk



26 MEU Assess Civil, Medical, and Cultural Sites in Mosul



USSF & TUSF w Turkomen



What Worked, What Didn't

Worked:

- People
 - Mission Focussed
 - Determined
 - Flexible
 - Expert
- Combat Penetrators
- Joint Interoperability
- Light & Lean Comms
- Unconventional Warfare



Didn't:

- Army Comms
- JCSE
- BOS Construct
- Inter-Command Ops
- CAS & ISR (early)



Accomplishments

- Accomplished Diverse Missions while Balancing Rival Factions
- Infiltrated Forces in to One of the World's Most Heavily Defended Battlespaces
- Defeated and Destroyed 700 Member Terrorist Organization
- Defeated Three Brigade Size Counter-attacks
- Disrupted & Defeated Three Corps
- Captured Two Major Urban Areas
- Built 1500 man Base Camp in Three Weeks during Combat Ops w/o BOS
- Restored Civil Order and Generated Trust for US Forces
- Long-term Stability Operations Transitioned to Conventional Forces

