



The Global War on Terrorism

The Long War

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Agenda

- **The current environment**
- **Understanding the enemy**
- **Understanding our strategy**

- *To the average American, the threat to the U.S. is difficult to comprehend*
- *Sustained war is alien to the peaceful nature and desires of our nation*



When Was America Attacked?

- 1979 – Iranian Hostage Crisis
- 1983 – Embassy & Marine Barracks Bombing, Lebanon
- 1984 – Embassy Official kidnapped and murdered, Lebanon
- 1985 – TWA Hijacking, U.S. sailor murdered
 - *Achille Lauro* Hijacking, American murdered
- 1988 – U.S. Marine kidnapped and murdered, Lebanon
 - USO Attacked, Italy
- 1993 – **World Trade Center bombing**
- 1995 – Saudi Military Installation Attack
- 1995-1997 – Palestinian terrorist attacks murdered Americans
- 1996 – Khobar Towers Bombing, Saudi Arabia
- 1997 – **Empire State Building Sniper Attack**
- 1998 – Embassy Bombings, Kenya & Tanzania
- 2000 – U.S.S. Cole Bombing, Yemen
- 2001 – Philippines Hostage Incident
 - **World Trade Center, Pentagon, Shanksville, PA**



Nature of the Conflict

Muslim Society

Extremist Influence

Leverage Grievances:

- “Islam is Under Attack”
- All Muslims must rise to the defense of Islam
- Re-establish Islamic states under strict Sharia Law
- Restore the preeminence of the Muslim world



Values

- Religious
- Hospitable, gracious
- Family, tribal loyalty
- Education

GRIEVANCES—both perceived and real:

- Local: Corrupt and ineffective political, economic, and social systems
- Regional: Bias in US policies, (Palestine, Kashmir, Iraq, etc); heavy handed US operations, occupation of Islamic lands
- Global: Infusion of Western culture corrupting society

RESULT: anger, humiliation, and disenfranchisement

Does political activism or violent militancy result?



Who is the enemy?

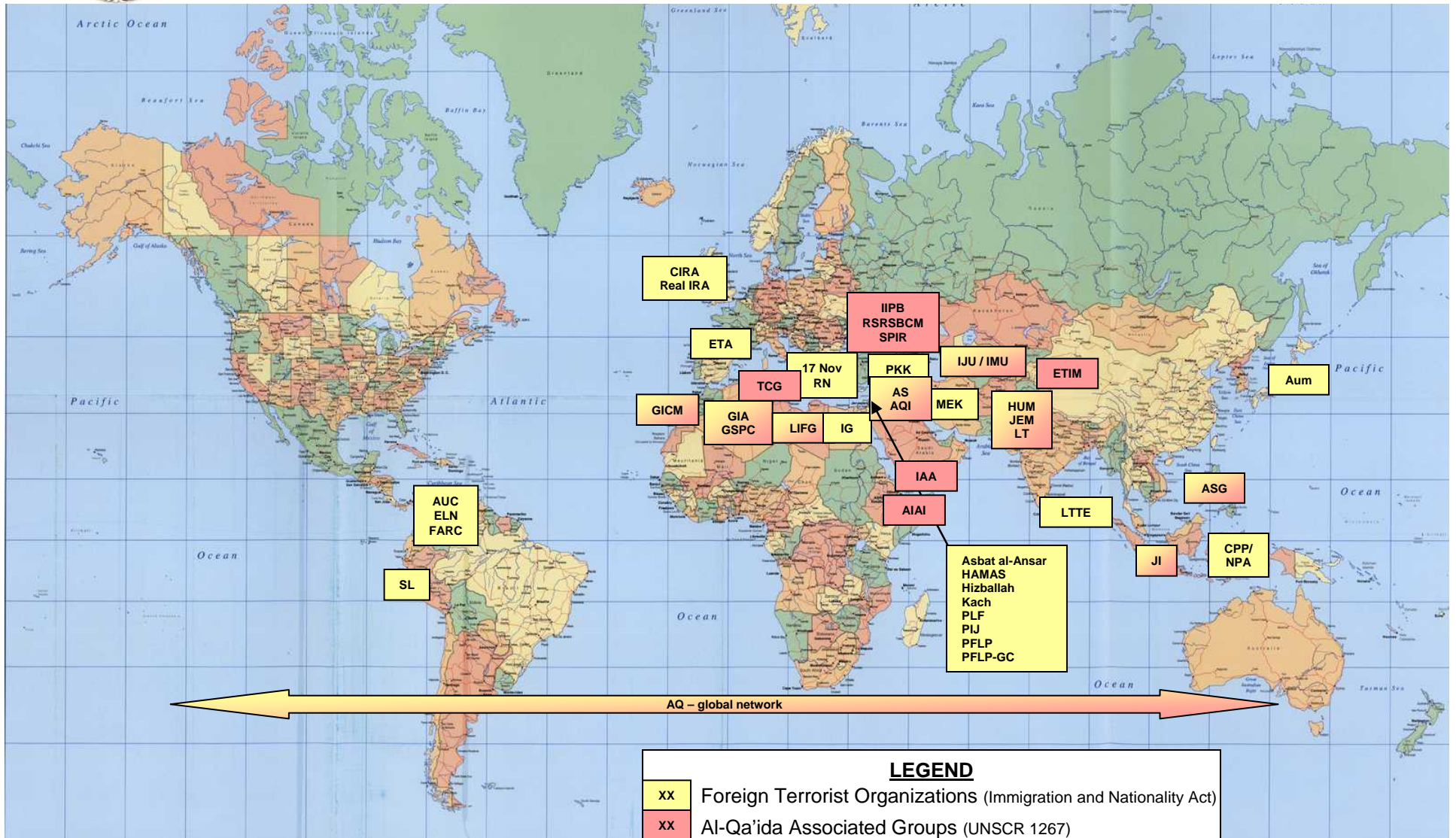
- “a **transnational movement of extremist organizations, networks, and individuals** – and their state and non-state sponsors – which have in common that they **exploit Islam** and **use terrorism** for ideological ends.”
- **Al-Qa’ida Associated Movement is most dangerous**
- **Other violent extremist groups** also pose a serious and continuing threat

Nature of the Enemy

- *Represent no nation*
- *Do not mass armies or warships*
- *Defend no territory*
- *Wear no uniform*
- *Operate in shadows, conspire in secret, attack without warning*



Global Terrorists



Increased Capabilities



The ability of the terrorists to leverage technology and their increased access to weaponry expands their potential lethality.

Casualty Producing Capabilities



One → Dozens → Thousands → Millions

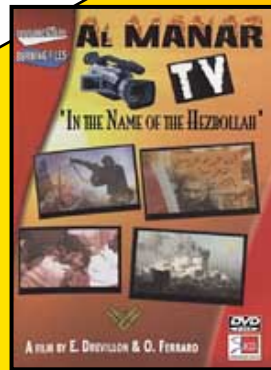
***"Acquiring chemical and nuclear weapons for the defense of Muslims is a religious duty."
- Usama bin Laden***



Increased Communications

Communications technology extends their reach from a local audience to the world stage – Communications enables them to incite a global movement in real time

Information Sharing Capabilities



Individual → National → Regional → Global

"In the absence of popular support, the Islamic mujahed movement would be crushed in the shadows, far from the masses who are distracted or fearful."
- Aymen al-Zawahiri



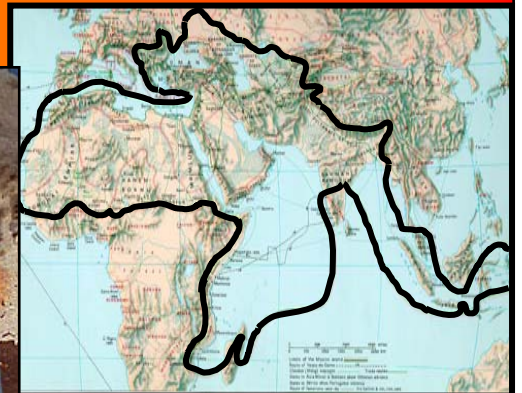
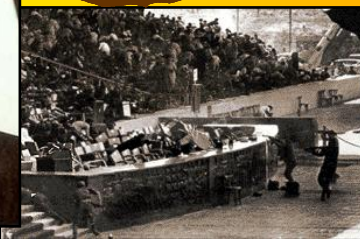
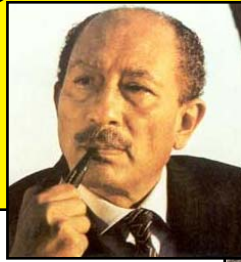
Increased Ambitions



The terrorists leverage a frustrated population, effective communications and improved weaponry to target the overthrow of existing governments – establishing an extreme, repressive and violent social order

Desire & Capability to Influence World Events

Afghanistan



Local → National → Regional → Global



What is a Jihad?

Jihad is a state of mind. Peace under this mental framework can only occur when there is only one global power and all “infidels and apostates” have been converted or subverted to the will of Allah. Some believe there have been five major time periods of violent Jihad:

The “First Global Jihad” 622-early 1500s

The “Second Global Jihad” 1620-1798

The “Third Global Jihad” 1798-early 1920s

The Fourth Jihad 1921-1979

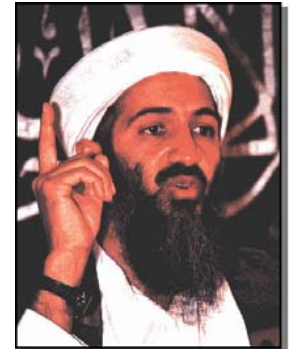
The Fifth Jihad 1979-Present

Each period of Jihad ended when Muslim introspection led to fear that Allah was punishing the community for not sufficiently following the true faith.



Al-Qa'ida's Plan

"We are seeking to incite the Islamic Nation to rise up to liberate its land and to conduct Jihad for the sake of God." – Usama bin Laden



"If our intended goal in this age is the establishment of a caliphate ... [then] the jihad in Iraq requires several incremental goals:"

- "Expel the Americans from Iraq."
- "Establish an Islamic authority or emirate, then develop it and support it until it achieves the level of a caliphate – over as much territory as you can to spread its power in Iraq...."
- "Extend the jihad wave to the secular countries neighboring Iraq."
- "Clash with Israel, because Israel was established only to challenge any new Islamic entity."

Source: Letter from al-Zawahiri to al-Zarqawi, 9 July 2005



Violent Extremist's Long View

*Iraq has become the focus of the enemy's effort.
If they win in Iraq, they have a base from which to expand their terror.*

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THE MAP OF UNITED STATES OF ISLAM

THE DREAM OF 20th CENTURY MUSLIMS WILL BE REAL IN 21st CENTURY

Source: Islamic-Youth.Net BY H.C.

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|------------------|------------------|
| 1 AFGHANISTAN | 25 LIBYAN |
| 2 ALGERIA | 26 MALI |
| 3 ANDHRA | 27 MALDIVES |
| 4 ALZHELANIA | 28 MALYSIA |
| 5 SAHARA | 29 MOROCCO |
| 6 BENIN | 30 NIGER |
| 7 BURKINA FASO | 31 NIGERIA |
| 8 CAMBODIA | 32 OMAN |
| 9 CHAD | 33 PAKISTAN |
| 10 CHINA | 34 PLESTIN |
| 11 COMBIA | 35 SAUDI ARABIA |
| 12 CUBA | 36 SENEGAL |
| 13 EGYPT | 37 SERBIA, LEONE |
| 14 GADORA | 38 SUDAN |
| 15 GAMBIA | 39 SYRIA |
| 16 GHANA | 40 SYRIA |
| 17 GUINEA BISSAL | 41 TAJIKISTAN |
| 18 IRAN | 42 TURKEY |
| 19 IRAQ | 43 TURKMANISTAN |
| 20 JORDAN | 44 U.A.E |
| 21 KACHIN | 45 UGANDA |
| 22 KAZAKHSTAN | 46 UZBEKISTAN |
| 23 KIRGIZIA | 47 YEMEN |
| 24 KUWAIT | 48 YEMEN |

القرآن

وَاعْتَصِمُوا بِحَبْلِ اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا وَلَا تَفَرَّقُوا

اور ان کي ری کو مستحی سے مٹا کر سے کو اور انکریں ترک نہ کرو

AND HOLD FAST, ALL TOGETHER BY THE ROPE OF ALLAH AND BE NOT DIVIDED AMONG THEMSELVES.

RESULT

- ALL RESOURCES AVAILABLE IN ISLAMIC STATE
- BIGGEST ARMY IN THE WORLD
- STRONGEST CURRENCY IN THE WORLD
- LARGEST COUNTRY IN THE WORLD
- ATOMIC & SUPER POWER COUNTRY
- WHICH U.S.A CAN NOT SEIZE ASSETS IN FUTURE OF MUSLIM UMMAN
- THE HEART OF GLOBE IN MUSLIMS HAND
- HALF POPULATION OF WORLD IN ISLAMIC STATE

Result

- Strongest army in the world
- Strongest currency in the world
- Largest country in the world
- Atomic and super power country
- Half of world population in Islamic State

AFTER 100 YEARS

ZION RESEARCH DIVISION



Al-Qa'ida's Twenty-Year Plan

Seven Stages

1. "The Awakening," began in 2001
2. "Eye-Opening," 2003
3. "Arising and Standing Up," 2007
4. Demise of Arab governments, 2010
5. Islamic Caliphate, 2013
6. "Total Confrontation," 2016
7. "Definitive Victory," ends in 2020



What are the Enemy's Weaknesses?

- **Violence and intimidation are their primary tactics**
- **Oppressive, backward vision for the future**
- **Multiple cultural, religious and language dimensions**
- **Growing effective and legitimate governance erodes support and provides an alternative**

So what do we need to do? What is our strategy?



National Strategic Framework for the GWOT

“We must take the battle to the enemy, disrupt his plans and confront the worst threats before they emerge. In the world we have entered, the only path to safety is the path of action.”
President George W. Bush

Strategic Aims:

Ends

- Defeat violent extremism as a threat to our way of life as a free and open society, and
- Create a global environment inhospitable to violent extremists and all who support them

Protect and defend the Homeland and U.S. interests abroad

Attack terrorists and their capacity to operate effectively at home and abroad

Support mainstream Muslim efforts to reject violent extremism

Ways

Expand foreign partnerships and partnership capacity

Strengthen our capacity to prevent terrorist acquisition and use of WMD

Institutionalize domestically and internationally the War on Terror

Means

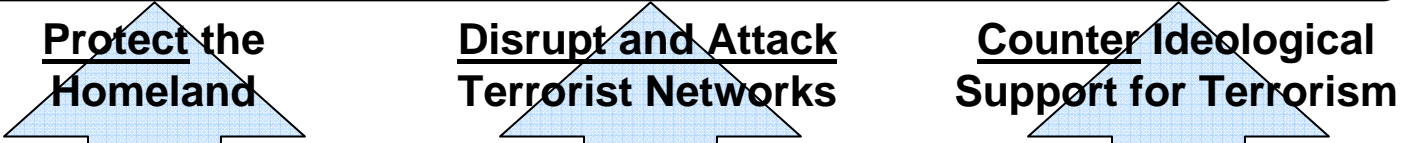
Instruments of National Power



National Military Strategic Plan for the WOT

Ends

Strategic Goal: *Preserve and promote the way of life of free and open societies based on the rule of law, defeat terrorist extremism as a threat to our way of life, and create a global environment inhospitable to terrorist extremists.*



Ways

Military Strategic Objectives

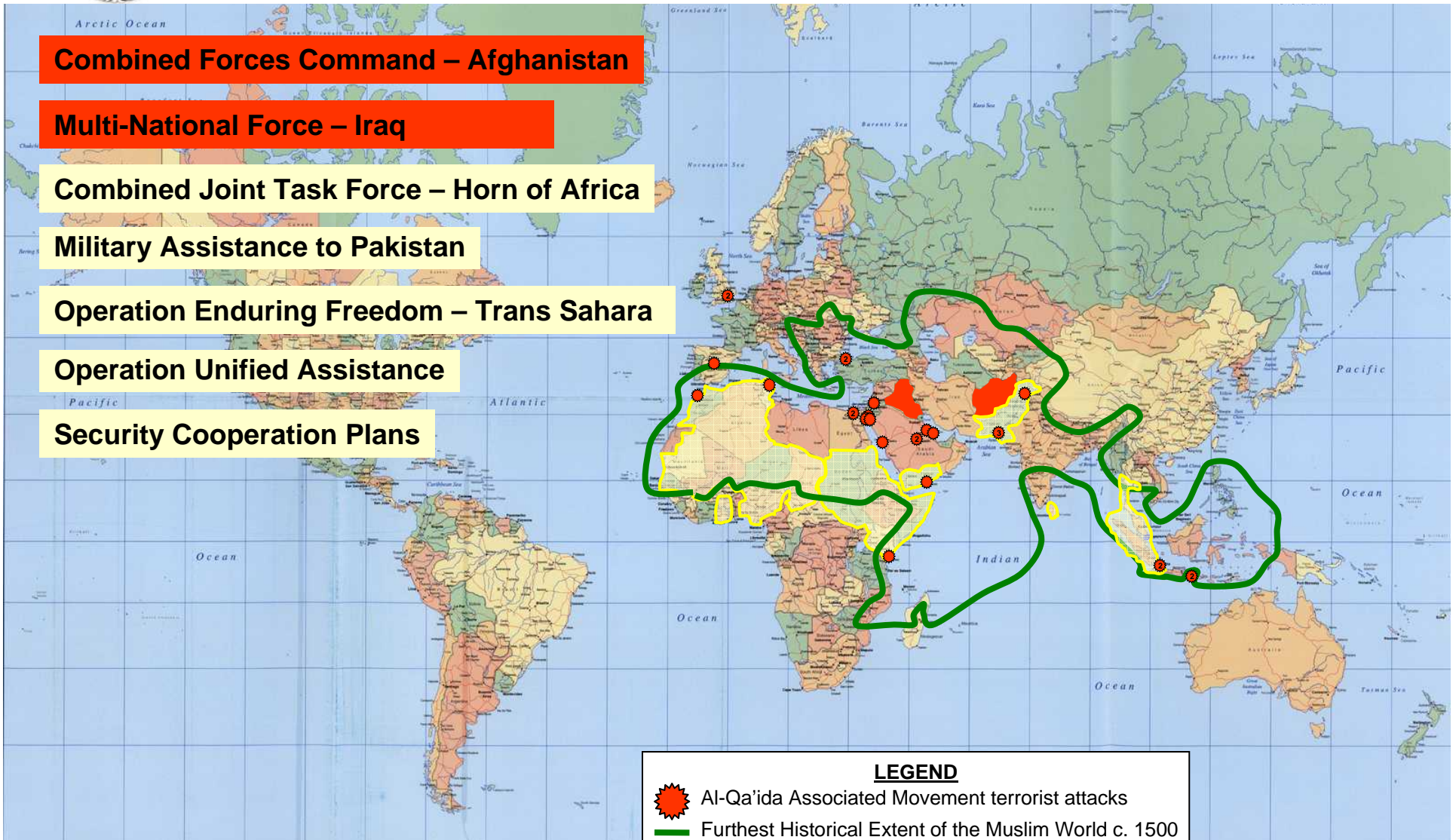
- Deny terrorists the resources they need to operate and survive.**
- Enable partner nations to counter terrorism.**
- Deny WMD/E proliferation, recover and eliminate uncontrolled materials, and maintain capacity for consequence management.**
- Defeat terrorists and their organizations.**
- Counter state and non-state support for terrorism in coordination with other U.S. Government agencies and partner nations.**
- Contribute to the establishment of conditions that counter ideological support for terrorism.**

Means

Combatant Commands, Services, and Combat Support Agencies



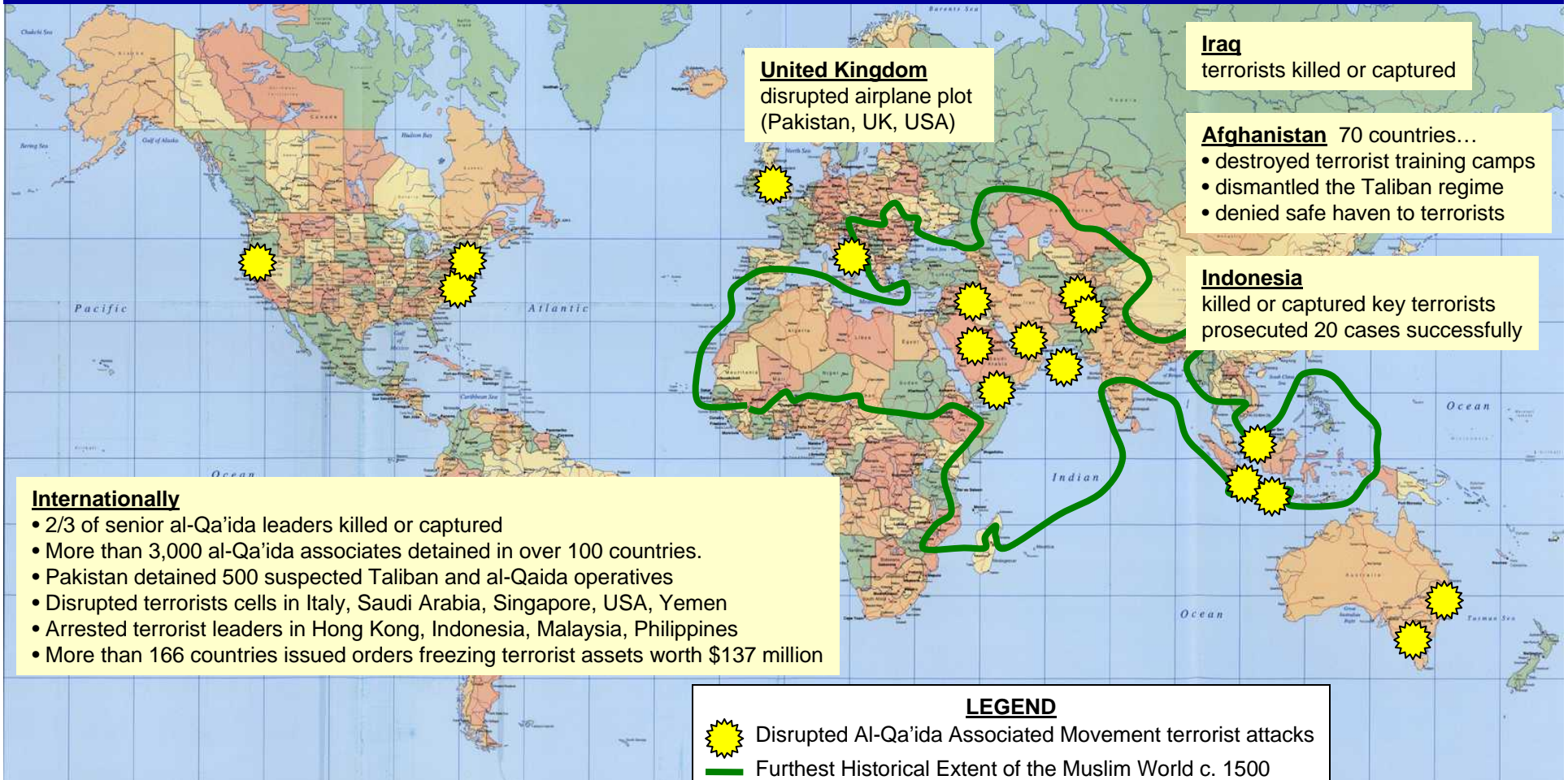
U.S. Military Efforts in the Global War on Terrorism





Disrupted Terrorist Attacks Since September 11, 2001

“The Global War on Terrorism will continue to be a long and difficult war affecting the entire global community. Success in this war depends on close cooperation among ... the combined efforts of the international community.”
—Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff





Defeating an Extremist Ideology: Takes Time

“The Islamic Radical threat of this century greatly resembles the bankrupt ideology of the last.... In many ways, this fight resembles the struggle against communism in the last century.”

-President Bush, 6 October 2005

Communism

- The repressive and militaristic manifestation was countered by the United States throughout the Cold War with the concerted effort of all instruments of national power
- Ideology was replaced by a democratic ideology with independent states

Similarities with the Global War on Terrorism

- Long, sustained struggle, punctuated by periods of military conflict
- Use of all elements of national power to win
- Transition of past arrangements to arrangements better suited for a new era
- Required perseverance by the American people and their leaders

Cold War Institution/Program Development

- Marshall Plan, Truman Doctrine, Radio Free Europe, World Bank, NATO, United Nations, International Monetary Fund

“Some of you may ask: when and how will the Cold War end? I think I can answer that simply; the Communist world has great resources and it looks strong, but there is a fatal flaw in their society. There is ... a system of slavery. There is no freedom in it, no consent ...I have a deep and abiding faith in the destiny of free men. With patience and courage, we shall some day move on into a new era.”

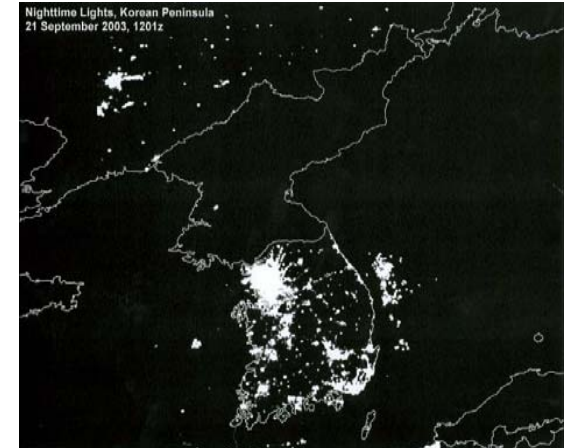
President Harry S. Truman, 1953



Building Capacity: Takes Time – South Korea

In 1953 – at the end of the Korean War,

- Was devastated by Japanese occupation and the war with the north
 - Natural, human, and manmade resources were destroyed
 - Had a 95% illiteracy rate and no record of national governance
 - Gross Domestic Product was equivalent to the poorest Asian and African Countries



In 2006 – 53 years later,

- Is known as one of the “Asian Tigers” – one of the top four Asian economies
- GDP has grown to match those within the European Union
- A stable and legitimate democratic government with a free market economy
- No longer requires large amounts of American support for survival

Other Long Term Examples of Success,

- Germany, Japan

“For ... the global community, the withering away of the state is not a prelude to utopia but to disaster ... These weak states have posed threats to international order because they are the source of conflict and ... because they have become the potential breeding grounds for a new kind of terrorism that can reach into the developed world.”

Francis Fukuyama, State Building, Cornell University Press, 2004.

Conclusion



- The Muslim population is key; perceived grievances provide inroads for violent extremists
- Our enemy is not 10 feet tall; we know his strategy and his weaknesses
- The United States strategy addresses the essential elements for success
- Success requires perseverance; not necessarily combat
 - Reverse grievances in the Muslim World
 - Discredit violent extremist ideology
 - Build partner nation capacity



Final Thought

“...There is a view...that ‘democracy’ means the system of government evolved by the English-speaking peoples. Any departure from that is either a crime to be punished or a disease to be cured. I beg to differ...Different societies develop different ways of conducting their affairs, and they do not need to resemble ours...after all, American democracy after the War of Independence was compatible with slavery for three-quarters of a century and with the disenfranchisement of women for longer than that. Democracy is not born like the Phoenix. It comes in stages, and the stages ...differ from...society to society...”

- *Bernard Lewis, 2006*

National Military Strategic Plan for the War on Terrorism:

<http://www.jcs.mil/>



BACKUP SLIDES



Reminiscent of the Cold War...

“The ultimate determinant in the struggle now going on for the world will not be bombs and rockets but a test of wills and ideas - a trial of spiritual resolve: the values we hold, the beliefs we cherish and the ideals to which we are dedicated.”

– President Ronald Reagan, 1982

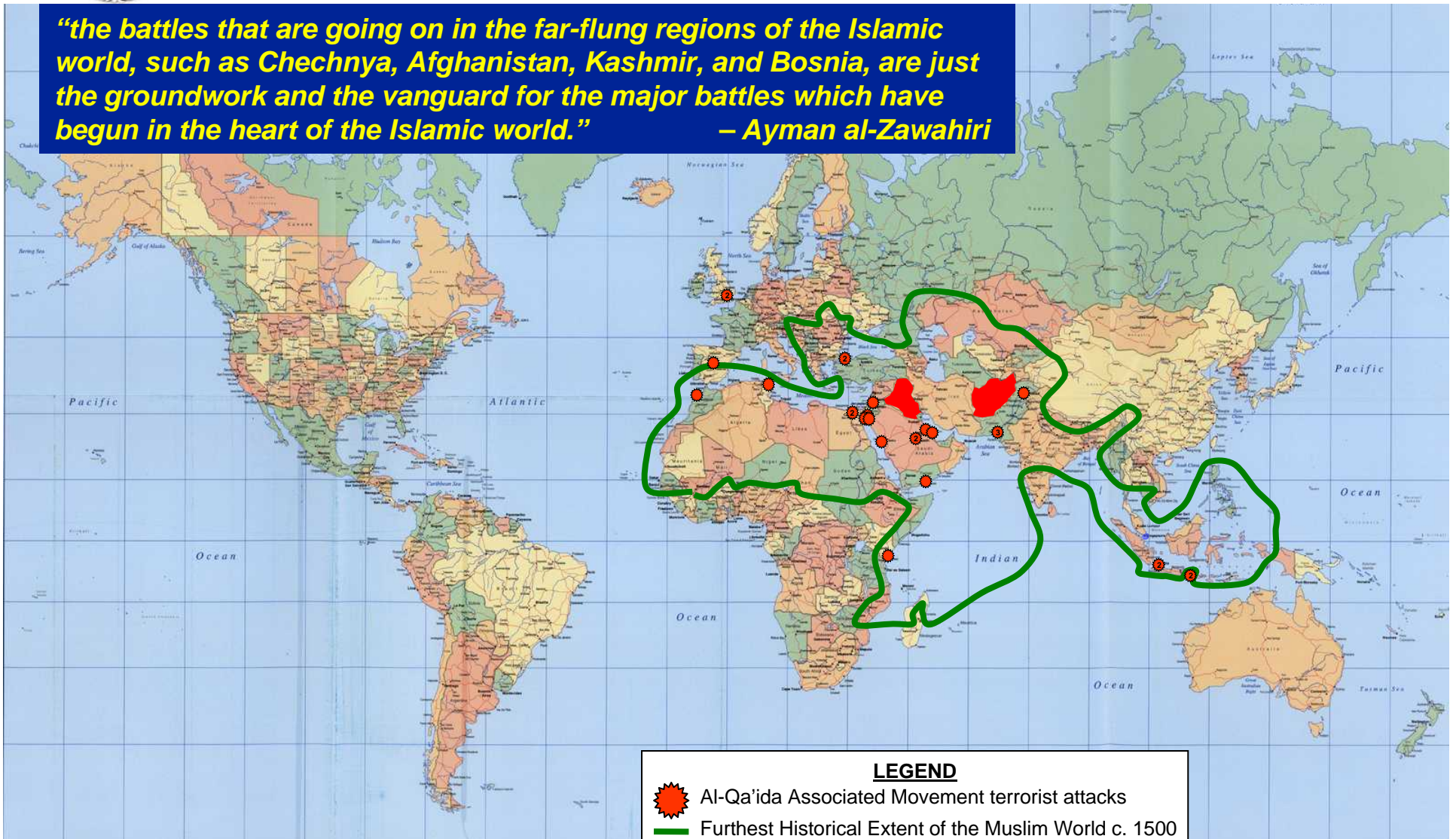
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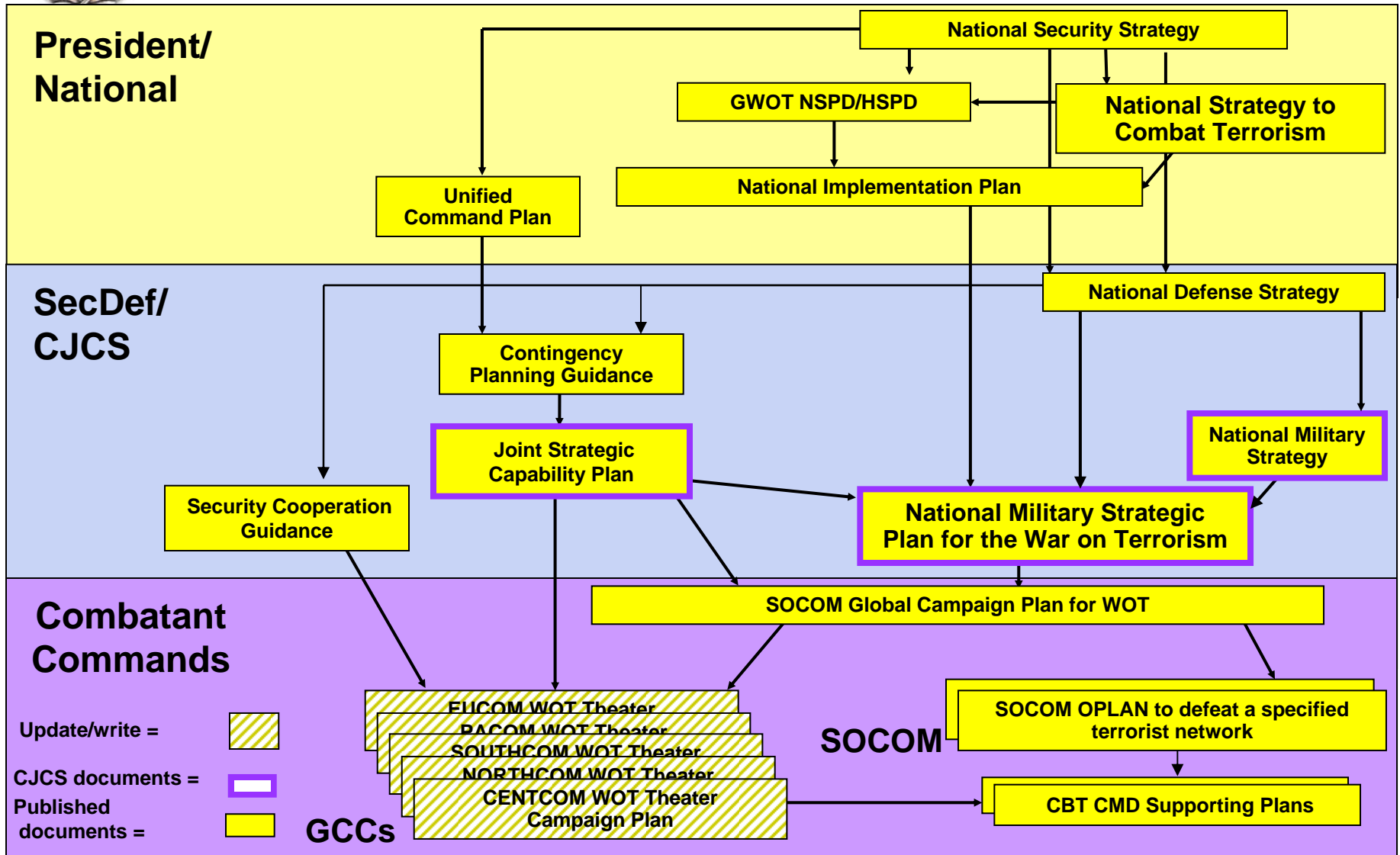
Al-Qa'ida Attacks since September 11, 2001

“the battles that are going on in the far-flung regions of the Islamic world, such as Chechnya, Afghanistan, Kashmir, and Bosnia, are just the groundwork and the vanguard for the major battles which have begun in the heart of the Islamic world.”
— Ayman al-Zawahiri





Strategic Guidance



Institutionalizing the War on Terrorism



Roles & Responsibility
NSPD 1

IA forum for development, coordination, and implementation of CT-related policy & strategy

Coordinate & synchronize agencies and monitor & evaluate implementation of plans

Provide representation to committees, support planning at the NCTC and implement plans

National Security Council (NSC)
Homeland Security Council (HSC)

Counter-Terrorism Security Group (CSG)

National Counter-Terrorism Center

USG Agencies & Departments

Actions
NSPD-46/HSPD-15
National CT Strategy

Monitor planning development and provide recommendations to the NSC and HSC.

Develop a *National Implementation Plan (NIP)* – National plan that implements and synchronizes all elements of national power and influence

Develop a *Department-Specific Supporting Plans* – Plans that articulate the approach of each agency and department to support the NIP



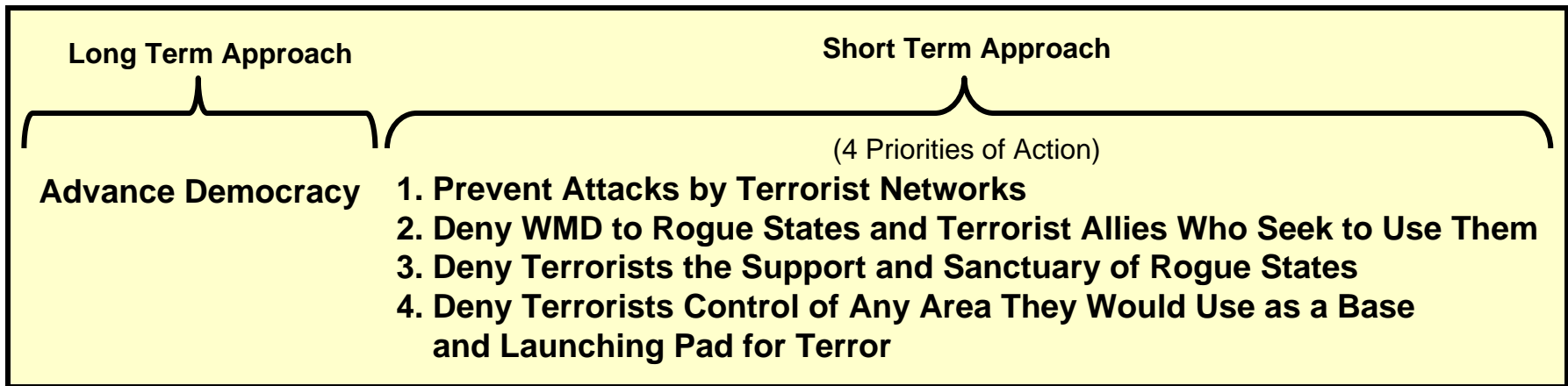
Inter-Department Coordination and Agreements



National Strategy to Combat Terrorism

Strategic Aims:

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Institutionalizing Strategy for Long Term Success

- **Establish/maintain international accountability**
- **Strengthen coalitions/partnerships**
- **Government architecture and Interagency collaboration**
- **Foster intellectual & human capital**

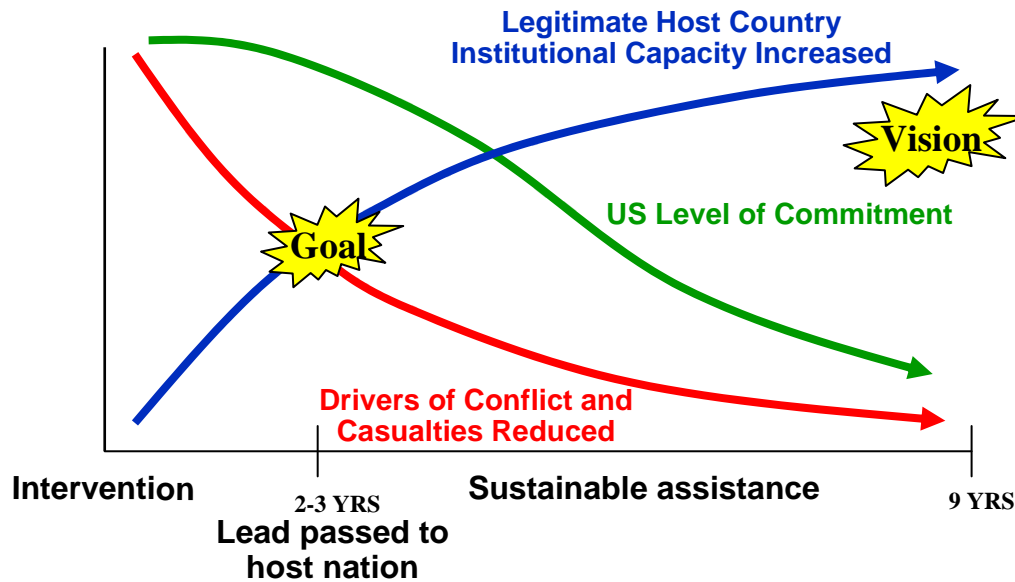
Examples:

- UN Security Council Resolutions, G-8
- Int'l Maritime Organization, NATO, EU, African Union
- DHS, DNI, NCTC, CIA, SOF, transformational diplomacy
- National Security Language Initiative, Culture of Preparedness



How are we Doing?

Conflict Transformation*



We are making measurable progress in the War on Terrorism—but it will take sustained assistance and perseverance to build legitimate and effective governance to counter extremism

Iraq in Transition

March 2005

May 2006

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| • Transitional Government | • Democratic Government |
| • Drafting Constitution | • Ratified Constitution |
| • ISF – MoD: ~ 67,000 | • ISF – MoD: ~117,900 |
| • ISF – Mol: ~84,000 | • ISF – Mol: ~145,500 |
| • US Forces: | • US Forces: |
| – 17 Combat BDEs | – 15 Combat BDEs |
| – ~146,000 | – ~131,000 |
| • Coalition Forces: ~23,000 | • Coalition Forces: ~20,000 |
| • Bases under ISF Control: 7 | • Bases under ISF Control: 34 |
| • Bases under US Control: 121 | • Bases under US Control: 76 |

Support for Bin Laden, Violence Down Among Muslims, Poll Says

By Robin Wright
Washington Post Staff Writer

Image Of U.S. Falls Again

International Herald Tribune
June 14, 2006

By Brian Knowlton

Captured papers show weakening insurgency

By PATRICK QUINN, Associated Press Writer
Thu Jun 15, 10:40 PM ET



U.S. Efforts to Combat Terrorism

Protect and defend the Homeland and U.S. interests abroad

Terrorist Surveillance Program (post 9/11)
 FBI mandate to Prevent Terrorist Attacks (2001)
 PATRIOT Act (2001)
 Department of Homeland Security (2002)
 National Strategy for Homeland Security (2002)
 National Strategy for Physical Protection of Critical Infrastructure and Key Assets (2003)
 Transportation Security Agency (2003)
 Terrorist Screening Center (2003)

Attack terrorists and their capacity to operate effectively at home and abroad

Nearly 2/3 of senior al-Qaeda leaders killed or captured
 Terrorist cells disrupted in Italy, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, USA, Yemen
 3,000+ al-Qaida associates detained in 100+ countries
 Pakistan detained 500 suspected Taliban and al-Qaida operatives
 Terrorist leaders arrested in Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines

AQ "golden chain" broken (2002)

- 166+ countries freeze terrorist assets worth ~\$140 million in over 1,400 accounts

Operation Enduring Freedom (2001)

- destroyed terrorist training camps
- dismantled Taliban regime
- denied terrorist safe haven

Operation Iraqi Freedom

- Zarqawi killed (2006)

Proliferation Security Initiative (2003)
 Disrupted AQ Khan WMD network (2006)

Support mainstream Muslim efforts to reject violent extremism

Public Diplomacy efforts
 Elections in Afghanistan(2004)
 Tsunami assistance in SE Asia (2004-2005)
 Earthquake relief in Pakistan (2005)
 Elections in Iraq (2005)



Policy Initiatives

National Strategy to Combat WMD (2002)
 National Strategy to Secure Cyberspace (2003)
 National Counterterrorism Center (2004)
 Director of National Intelligence (2005)
 NSPD-15/HSPD-46 (2006)
 National Implementation Plan (2006)
 National Strategy to Combat Terrorist Travel (2006)
 National Strategy to Combat Terrorism (2003/2006)