



# Global War on Terrorism

Perspective on French Interagency Operations





# THE TERRORIST THREAT

A main concern for Defense, long before Sept 11th.

**« Terrorism is quite surely the most important non-military threat affecting France security. »**

It is often used by rogue states to achieve their political goals without revealing their intent and identity... Terrorism is also a way for non official groups to demonstrate their power on the international scene.

**France as a modern democracy is particularly vulnerable to terrorist attacks and therefore represents a potential target for terrorist groups. »**

*White book on Defense, 1994 .*



# DEFENSE ORGANIZATION

A global approach according to Defense constitutional bases

7 Jan 7<sup>th</sup>, 1959 Act

”The purpose of Defense is to ensure the security and integrity of the national territory at any time and under any circumstances as well as protecting the population. Defense takes charge of France commitments related to Alliances, treaties and international agreements”.

**A GLOBAL and National Defense  
encompassing both civilian and military aspects  
of Security  
at home and abroad**



# DEFENSE ORGANIZATION

**PRESIDENT of the REPUBLIC**  
*Head of the Armed Forces*

Defense Council

Cabinet

Defense Restricted Committee & Council

**PRIME MINISTER**  
*Responsible for National Defense*

National Defense Secretary-General

**DEFENSE**  
Military Defense

**INTERIOR**  
Civilian Defense

**ECONOMY  
FINANCE  
BUDGET**  
Economic Defense

**FOREIGN  
AFFAIRS**  
Diplomacy

**CULTURE**  
Cultural Defense

*Other  
Departments*



# FRENCH DEFENSE STRATEGY

« the government has to ensure the continuity of France Defense policy. This duty is even more important considering the threats hanging over French citizens. We are required to increase our efforts for the benefice of our Military....

...This military budget bill is the expression of the Republic and of the Government's will to enable our Defense to match both our security needs and our ambitions on the international scene, to cope with the new threats - Today 's anniversary date, Sept 11<sup>th</sup>, reminds us of the permanence and seriousness of those threats, their sometimes unpredictable nature - to participate to the building up of a European Defense capability....»

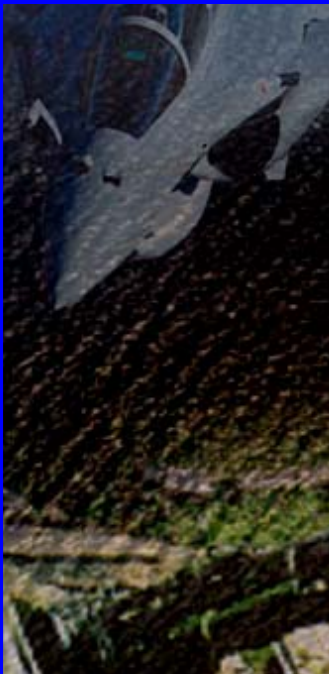
***Military budget bill ,Sept 11th 2002 .***



# FRENCH DEFENSE STRATEGY

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# FRENCH DEFENSE STRATEGY

## DETERRENCE

**“ As I already said after Sept 11<sup>th</sup>, Nuclear deterrence does not aim at dissuading fanatics from conducting terrorist attacks. However State leaders using terrorism or intending to use weapons of mass destruction against us, have to expect a strong and adapted response from our side. This response could be conventional. It could be of another nature as well. ”**

*President Chirac address ( Landvisiau- Jan.2006)*



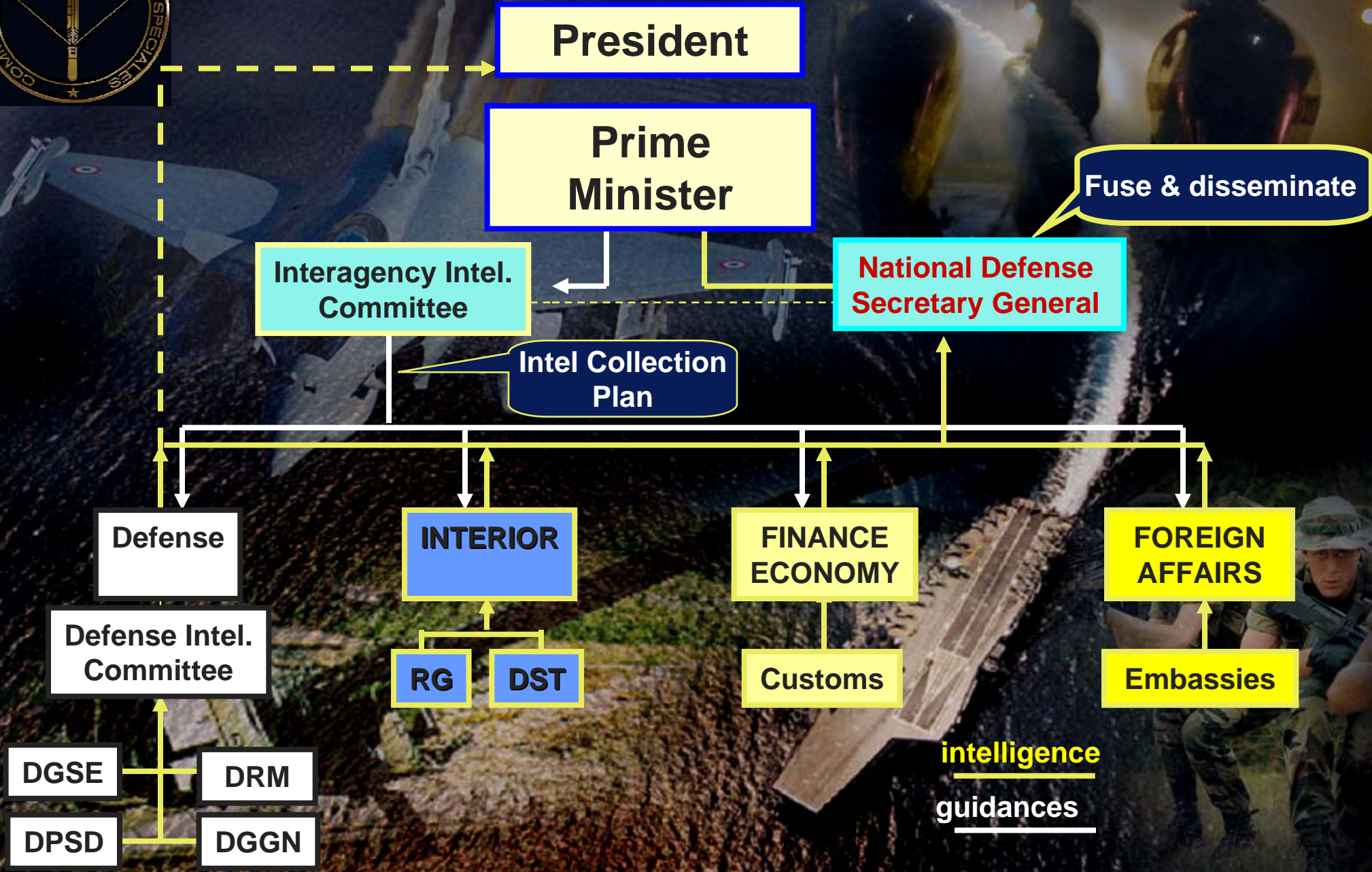
# FRENCH DEFENSE STRATEGY

## PREVENTION

- Intelligence
- Advanced planning
- Pre-positioning of forces abroad



# PREVENTION : Intelligence gathering and sharing





# FRENCH DEFENSE STRATEGY

## PROTECTION

- **General security duties ( national territory )**

- **INTRUSAIR**  
(air police)
- **VIGIPIRATE**  
(protection of sensitive area)
- **coastal safeguard**
- **PIRATE- MER**  
(maritime CT)



- **Participation in Control of sensitive technologies**
- **Force protection**



# FRENCH DEFENSE STRATEGY

## ACTION

- Overseas operation
- Cooperation and Defense Agreements
- Special operations

# DECISION MAKING PROCESS



**EVENT**

**Information sharing**

**1**

**President**



**Prime Minister**



**Defense Minister**



**Other departments**

**EMA (JHQ)**

**DRM (mil.Intel.)**

**2**

**Taking charge**

**Interministerial crisis cell**

**3**

**Restricted committee**

**3**

**Restricted Council**

**4**  
**Decision**

**Government Adviser**



**CHOD**

**Operational command**

**Action**

**DRM/situ & EMA/CPCO**  
Military evaluation      Orientations propositions

**5**  
**Orders**

**FORCES**



# MILITARY COMMITMENTS ABROAD

## Sovereignty and Forward Deployed Forces

**Sovereignty Forces**  
**16, 966**

**Fr West Indies**

**Fr Guyana**

**Réunion-Mayotte**

**New Caledonia**

**Fr Polynesia**

**St Pierre & Miquelon**

**Forward deployed Forces**  
**5, 388**

**Senegal**

**Ivory coast**

**Gaboon**

**Djibouti**

**Pacific**

**Indian Ocean**

**TOTAL : 22, 354**



# MILITARY COMMITMENTS ABROAD

## Ongoing Operations

**Bi-lateral  
agreement  
6,060**

**Multinational  
coalition  
4,543**

**Ivory coast  
LICORNE**

**Togo  
LICORNE**

**Chad  
EPERVIER**

**Central Africa  
BOALI**

**Guinea Gulf  
CORYMBE**

**Cameroon**

**Balkans  
EUFOR EUPM  
EUMM  
KFOR MINUK ARYM**

**Central Asia  
HERACLES-PAMIR-  
EPIDOTE**

**Ivory Coast  
CALAO**

**Lebanon  
FINUL ONUST**

**Sinai**

**Pakistan**

**Liberia**

**Dem. Rep. Congo**

**West. Sahara**

**Burundi**

**Ethiopia - Eritrea**

**Haiti**

**Palestine**

**Georgia**

**TOTAL : 10, 603**