

AIR FORCE SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND

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AFSOC

- Mission
- Responsibilities
- Area of Operations
- Mission
- Troops in Contact
- Supporting Aircraft/Weapons
- Enemy





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USAF Special Tactics

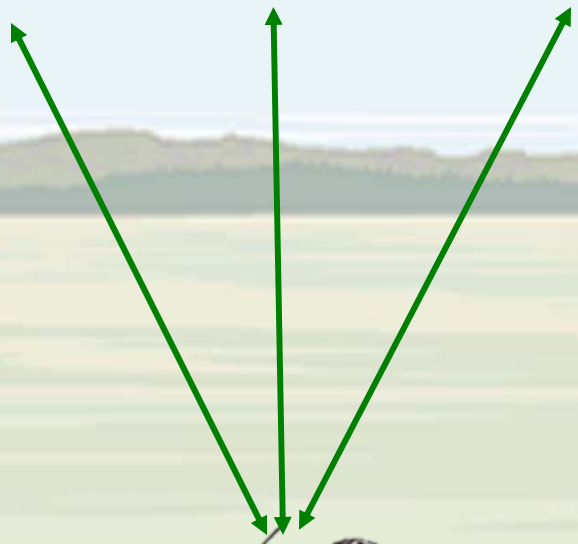
**The Air Force's premier ground combat team...
integrating, synchronizing, and controlling Air and
Space Power on the battlefield**





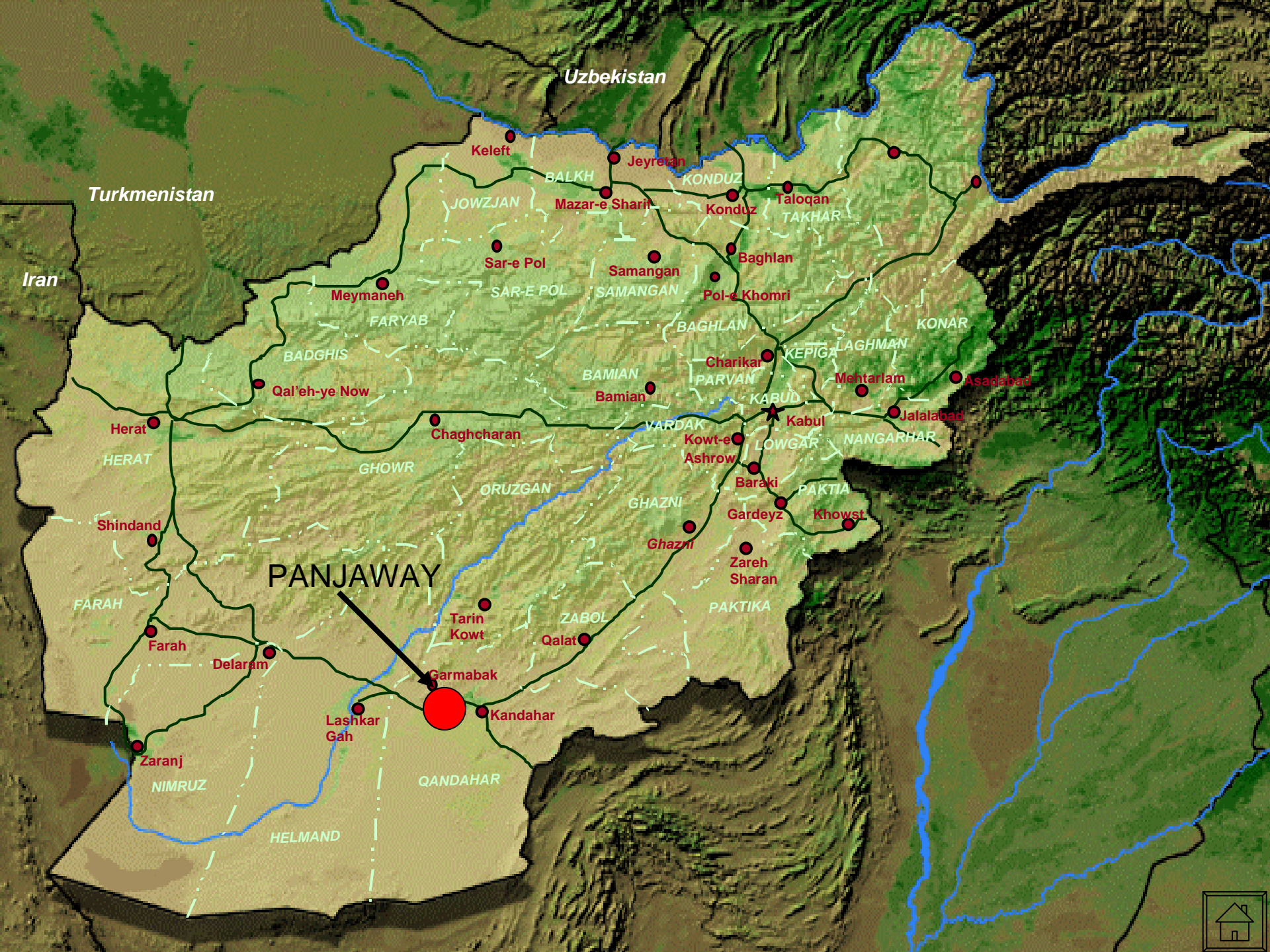
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Air Integretion



JTAC





Uzbekistan

Turkmenistan

Iran

PANJAWAY

KANDAHAR

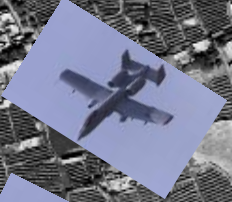
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ENEMY FORCES





ANA SOLDIER
STEPS ON APM

GUN TRUCK RUNS OVER
DOUBLE-STACK MINE

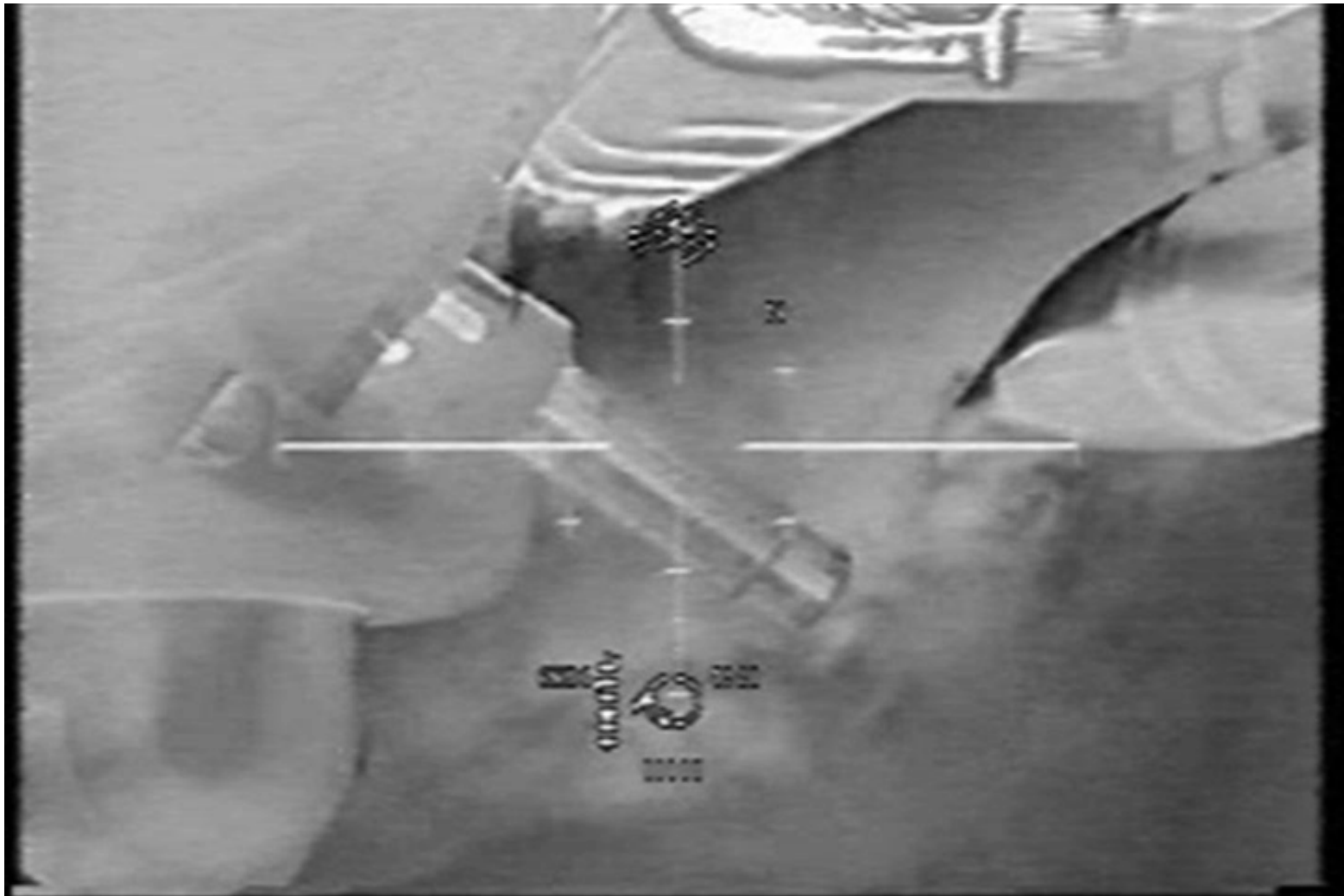


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OPERATION MEDUSA

Day 1 TIC	Day 2 TIC	Day 3 TIC	Day 4 TIC	Day 5 TIC	Day 6 TIC	Day 7 TIC	Day 8 TIC
2 AH-64s	2 A-10s	MQ-1 (PRED)	2 AH-64'S			2-F-18s	105mm Howitzer
MQ-1 (PRED)		2 A-10s				MQ-1 (PRED)	
B-1B		2 A-10s	MQ-1 (PRED)	MQ-1 (PRED)	MQ-1 (PRED)		
81MM MORTAR		2 AH-64s				A-10's	
A-10s (IED Strike)	AC-130H	2 AH-64s	AC-130H	AC-130H	AC-130H	B-1B	AC-130H
AC-130H		2 GR-7s				AC-130H	
		2 AC-130H					

INTEGRATION OF AIR POWER





FINAL EFFECTS

GROUND EFFECTS

- 183 Combat Recon Patrols
- 55 “Troops in Contact”
- Confirmed 900+ Enemy KIA
- 137 Gunship Kills
- 50,000lbs of munitions dropped
- Treated numerous local nationals
- Recovered Caches
- 4 High Value Targets (HVTs)
- 12 Different airframes utilized safely
- 15,000 rounds fired

OVERALL EFFECTS

- “The single most important and successful combat operation conducted in Afghanistan since 2002” – Commander Regional Command South
- Over 900+ Taliban Killed by Air & Ground Forces
- Decimated Taliban Control of the South
- Taliban Fighters have Exfiltrated the Area
- Civilian returned to the homes



