

## USPACOM Science and Technology

# Soft Power and its use in the Asia Pacific Region



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## How is the US viewed by the international community?



#### Posit a definition:

\* "Soft power is influencing others to act in mutual interest by appealing to shared values"

Culture, political values, and foreign policies

Compared to "Smart Power" and "Hard Power"

\* Joseph Nye, Dean of Harvard's Kennedy School of Government

Choosing which power(s) to use depends upon what effect(s) we're trying to achieve

Soft power is more about winning the peace

Longer-term effects

Moral high ground

**Borrowing Brilliance, David Kord Murray** 

Root cause analysis: "Why is a problem a problem?"

Root problems for warfighting seem to point to higher level problems best addressed by soft power



## What Role Does S&T Play in Soft Power?

Most nations value the development and prosperity that scientific and technological advances bring

First, how do we equip our PACOM ambassadors to engage across the theater?

Second, how do we use S&T to initiate and improve broader military-to-military engagement and interoperability with our allies and strategic partners?

There is so much more we can do, and at PACOM we are open to any and all S&T partnership opportunities that we can tie to our our most pressing challenges across our strategic and operational portfolios.

Be cautious of unintended effects/consequences



# Common Challenges and Mutual Opportunities





### Two focus areas for S&T

- Humanitarian Assistance/Disaster Relief
  - Resilient Communities
    - Energy (Renewable energy sources)
    - Water (Long term, safe water supplies)
  - Education (Distance learning, Mobile Learning Environments)
- Maritime Security
  - Anti-piracy
  - Illegal fishing
  - Smuggling



## Energy Efficient Water Purification focused on USPACOM HADR

- ID HADR capabilities with respect to small unit and local populace water purification.
- Ten systems assessed in a limited objective experiment as part of Crimson Viper Field Experiment 2010 (CV10) in Sattahip, Thailand.
  - Thai military operators and lab technicians operated the systems and provided subjective feedback

Water quality analysis was both subjective (by operators) and

objective (lab analysis of samples)



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## **Distance Learning**

- Telemedicine with Mongolia
- Discussion of use of distance learning with Indonesia



### Maritime Awareness

Senator John McCain said on Monday,

"the United States should help members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations to develop and deploy an early warning system and coastal vessels in contested waters"

Tensions between China and other rival claimants to the strategically vital waters -- home to two potentially oilrich archipelagos, the Paracels and Spratlys -- have escalated in recent weeks.

Source: Energy Daily June 20, 2011



The Philippines and Vietnam in particular have expressed alarm at what they say are increasingly aggressive actions by China in the disputed waters



### **Technology for affordable Maritime Awareness**

#### Low Cost Dual Use HF OTH Radar





#### **Commercial RADARSAT**



#### Small, low-cost Autonomous UAS

Heavy Fuel Beyond Line of Sight Loiter 33 hours Power 2.1 kw Range > 2000nm Usable payload - 76 pounds ITAR being worked

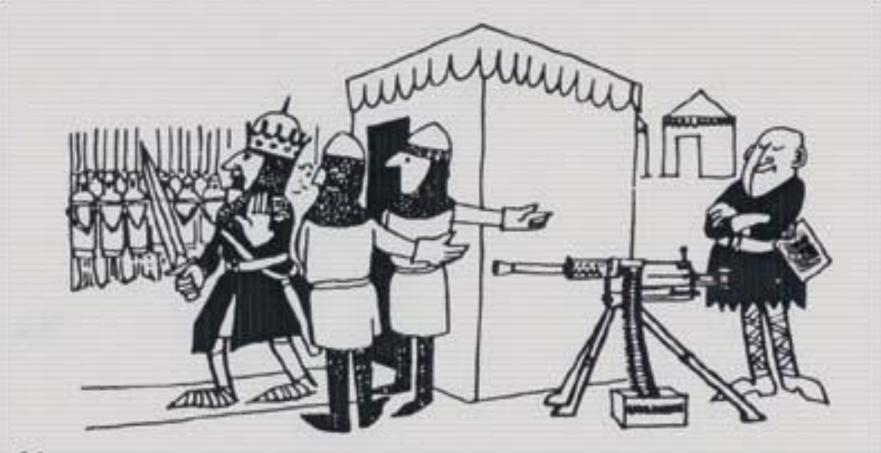
- Payloads - AIS
  - FMV EO/IR
  - SAR
  - SATCOM



# Common Challenges and Mutual Opportunities







Tell him we haven't got time for any of his bright ideas - we've got a battle on our hands 99