



### **Expeditionary Operations:** Forces in Contact

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### **Focus Issues**



CMC's Top 3:

- Force posture
- Force employment
- \*\* Future Force 2025



#### Agenda:

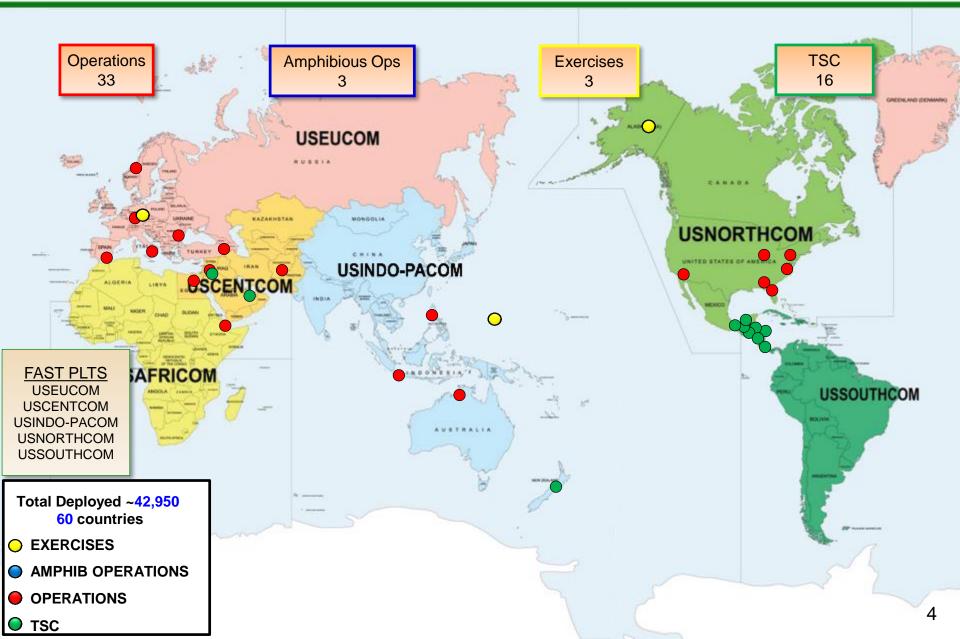
- Roles and Missions "Sustain Contact"
- Force Development Drivers
- Strategy & Acquisition Challenges
- Vision / Future Force 2025
- So What?



#### GLOBAL FORCE DISPOSITION AC: 184,850 AR: 2,300 RC: 1,050 TOTAL ACTIVE DUTY: 188,200

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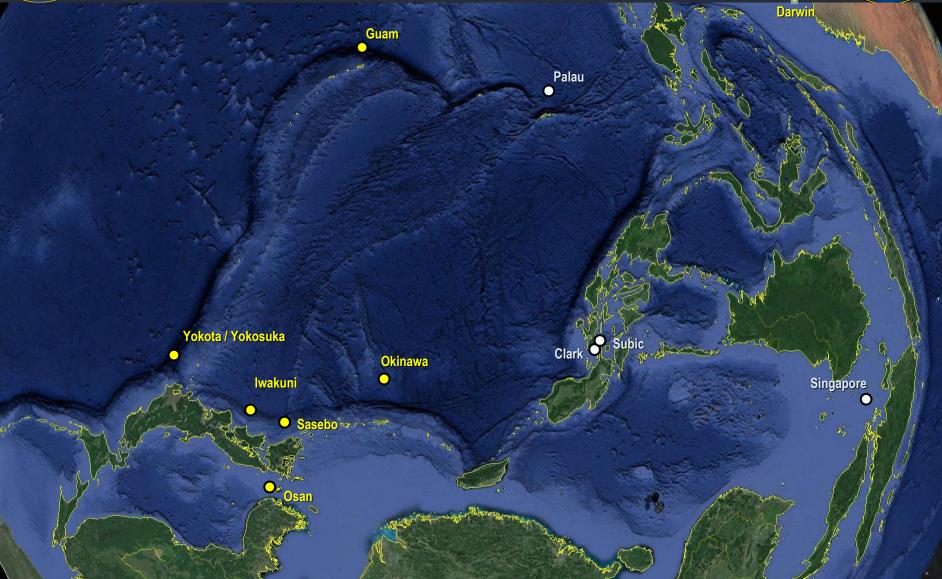






#### **Force Development Drivers from NDS**







#### How We Got Here & Where We Are Going





End WWII till early 1990's Threat-Based: Soviet Union



Early 1990's till ~2015 Capabilities-Based



~2015 to Present Threat-Informed, Concept-Based

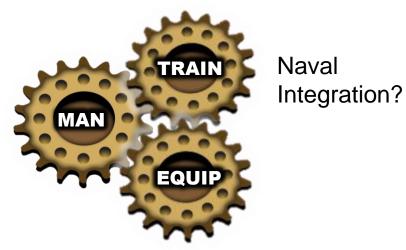






#### **Key Challenges**

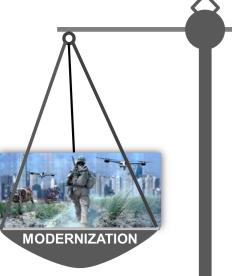




Speed of relevance?









Balance MAGTF?



### Sea Dragon / FF 2025

Expeditionary Advanced Base Operations

Offensive Amphibious Operations

MCWL Live-Force Experiment Pathways (concept based)

#### "FIGHTING THE NAVAL FORCE FORWARD"

**Dense Urban Operations (Project Metropolis 2.0)** 

"Our engine for experimentation is called Sea Dragon. Sea Dragon is a process; not a solution...The Sea Dragon experiment is important to our country and is the future of our Corps." -- General C.C. Krulak, 2 Sept 1997





## **Modernization Priorities**



- C2 in a Degraded Environment
- Long-Range / Precision Fires
- Information Warfare
- Air Defense
- Protected Mobility / Maneuver
- Logistics



Fused Integrated Naval Network (FINN)



HIMARS Naval Strike Missile



Deployable Mission Support System (DCO-ICM)



MADIS & GBAD

ACV



Unmanned Log 3D Print / Energy



Naval

# **Industry Implications?**





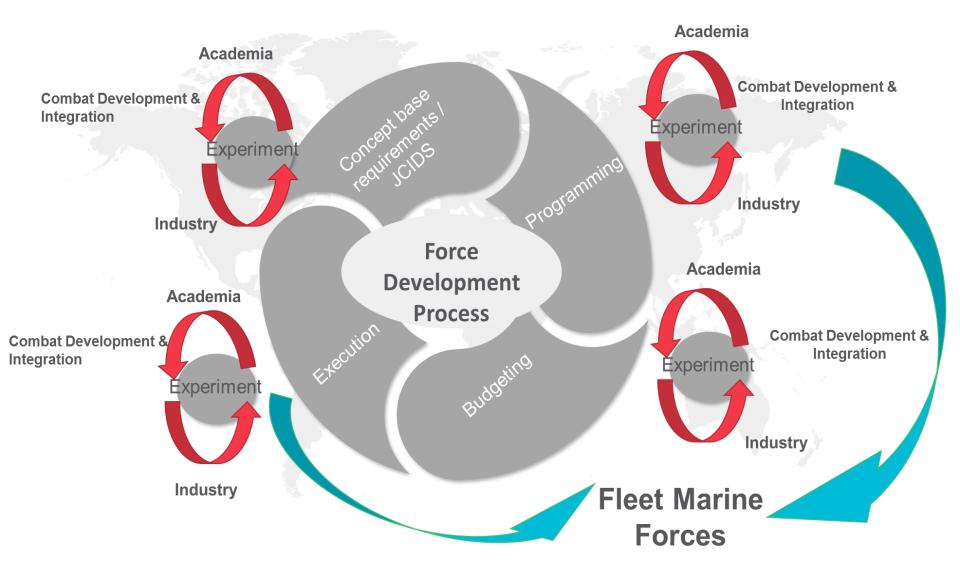


Individual Marine REMAINS our greatest asymmetric advantage
USN/USMC team/operators working with acquisition community to get solutions to the WF faster



### We must move faster for Warfighter





#### "Large-scale amphibious operations... will never occur again." *General Omar Bradley, Chairman JCS (1949)*

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