Expeditionary Operations

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No standard organization is applicable to all situations that may be encountered in an amphibious operation. Depending on the amphibious operation, an ATF may vary in size and can be task-organized.

- Joint Publication 3-02, Amphibious Operations, 4 January 2019

When required, the ESG commander will deploy either ashore or afloat as a command element.

- OPNAV INSTRUCTION F3501.319B, Required Operational Capabilities and Projected Operational Environment for Expeditionary Strike Group Staffs

Evolution of the ESG

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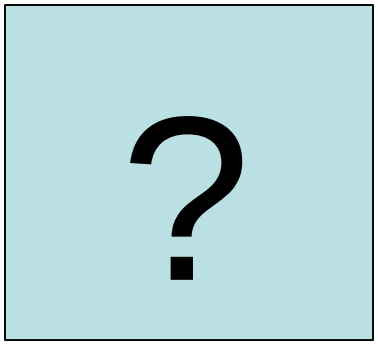
Expeditionary Strike Group THREE

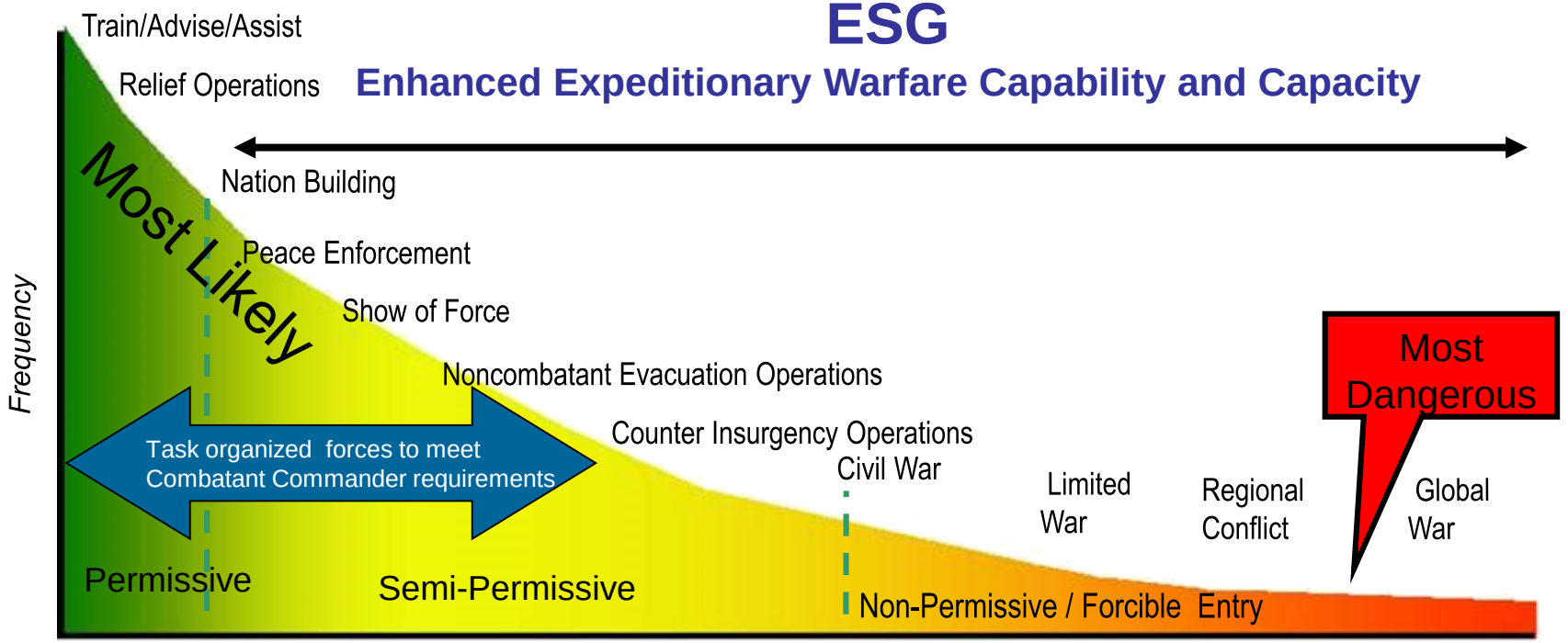


THIRD Littoral Combat Force?

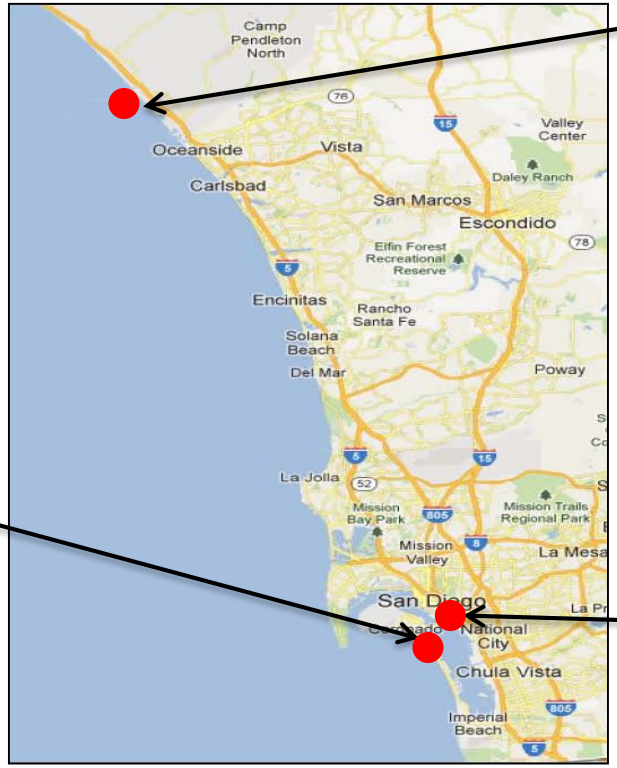
USN Range of Military Operations

Amphibious Readiness Group (ARG)

Maritime Pre-Positioning Force (MPF)/Joint Logistics Over the Sea (JLOTS)



Camp Pendleton (LCAC)
Assault Craft Unit 5



Naval Amphibious Base, Coronado
Naval Beach Group 1
- *Amphibious Construction Battalion 1*
- *Assault Craft Unit 1*
- *Beach Masters Unit 1*

Tactical Control Group 1
- *Tactical Control Squadron 11*
- *Tactical Control Squadron 12*

Naval Base San Diego (32nd Street)
Amphibious
Squadrons
CPR-1
CPR-3
CPR-5

Roles for the Expeditionary Strike Group

Commander, Amphibious Task Force

Commander, Maritime Preposition Force

Defense Support of Civil Authorities

Commander, Joint Logistics Over the Shore

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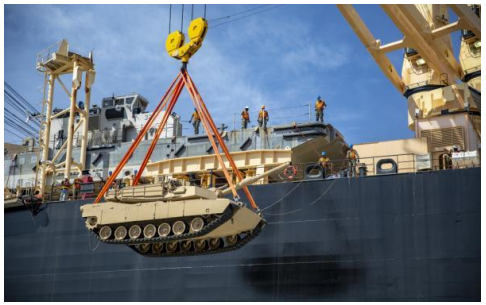
- MEF and Fleet-level integration
- Task-organized forces
  - Littoral Combat Force / Littoral Combat Groups
  - Joint expeditionary staff ashore
  - USMC operational command of amphibious ships
- Simultaneous MPF & amphibious operations



Arctic Expeditionary Capabilities Exercise

- Joint headquarters ashore
  - Littoral Combat Groups under Littoral Combat Force
  - Navy operational command of USMC forces
- Task organized capabilities for DSCA, crisis response
- Amphibious operations in austere conditions