

UNITED STATES SOUTHERN COMMAND

USSOUTHCOM

Mission and RC Role



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Agenda

- **Mission / Vision**
- **Priorities**
- **Area of Responsibility & Strategic Importance**
- **Organization**
- **Threats, Conditions, and Challenges**
- **Reserve Component Role**



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Mission

Conduct military operations and promote security cooperation to achieve U.S. strategic objectives

Vision

US Southern Command is the recognized partner of choice and center of excellence for regional security affairs within a hemisphere of escalating importance; organized to support defense of the homeland and focused on achieving *regional partnerships which ...*

- Are committed to democratic values and principles;
- Demonstrate respect for human rights;
- Are capable of securing their territories and defending their borders;
- Collectively ensure regional and hemispheric security;
- Deter, dissuade, and defeat transnational threats to the stability of the region



Priorities

- **War on Terrorism**
- **Support to Colombia**
- **Detainee Operations at Guantánamo**
- **Regionalization**
- **Transformation**
- **Quality of Life**



- 1/6th of earth's surface
- 32 countries and 11 territories/protectorates
- 440 million people
- 4 primary languages, over a hundred indigenous tongues and dialects



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AREA OF
RESPONSIBILITY**



Strategic Importance

• Security and Stability

– U.S. & the Regional Neighborhood

- Illicit trafficking & Payment-in-kind
- Corruption & Increased Violence
- Territorial Sovereignty & Governance

– Security tied to Economic Opportunity

• Strategic Resources

– Panama Canal

- 36% of U.S. Oil Imported from Region;
~29% from the Middle East
- 14% of World's Crude Oil
- 17% of World's Natural Gas

• Economic Interdependence

– US Trade with region

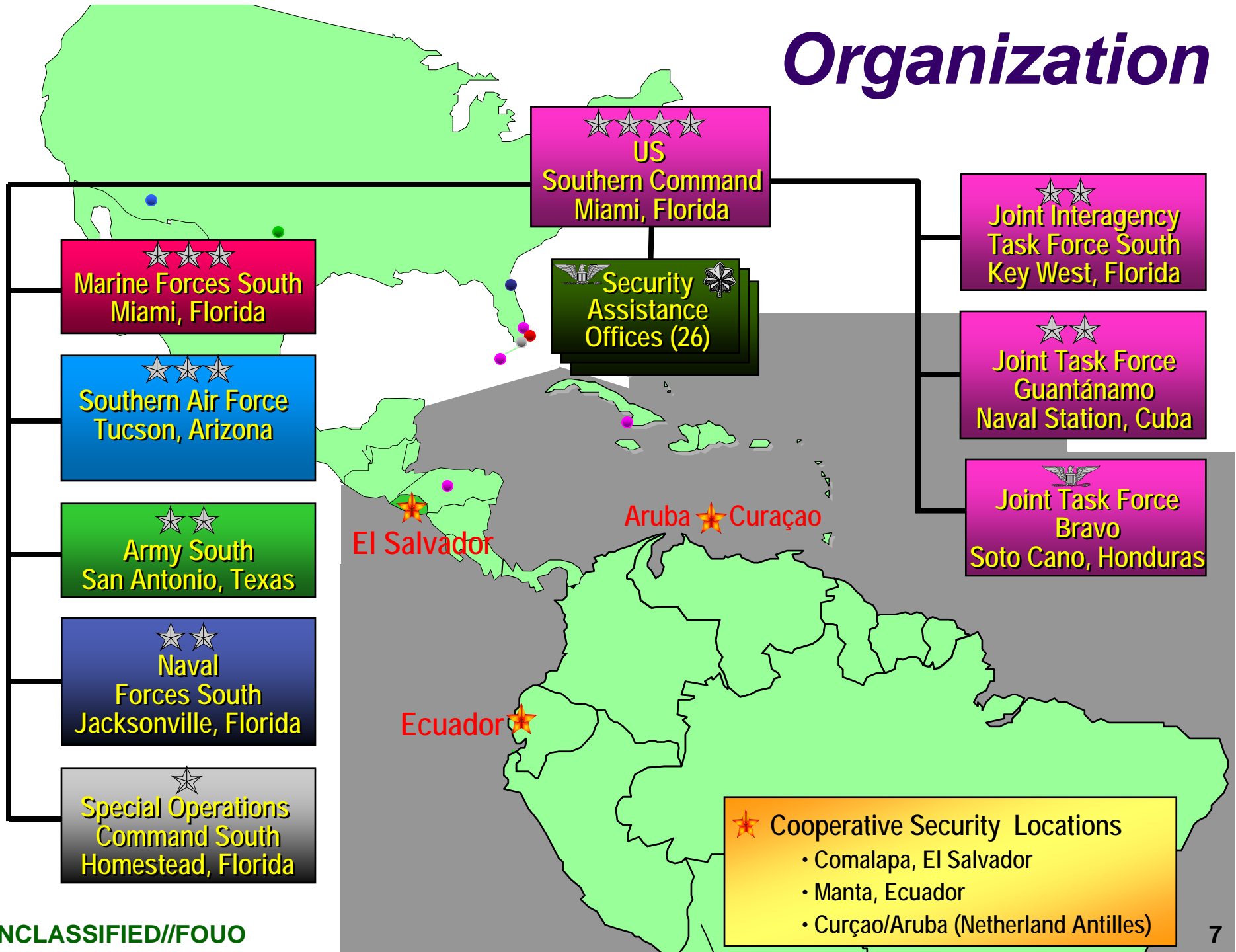
- \$194.9B in 2005
- 23% increase from 2004 (\$158.3B)
- Free Trade Agreements

– \$55B in Remittances (2005)

• Shared Values & Regional Diaspora

- Democracy, Human Rights, Freedom & Sovereignty
- Hispanics = Largest / Fastest Growing Minority in U.S. (25% by 2050)
- 5th Largest Spanish-speaking Country

Organization





Threats, Conditions, and Challenges

The Threats

- Transnational Terrorism
- Narco-terrorism
- Logistical support/fundraising for Islamic Radical Groups
- Illicit trafficking
- Mass Migration
- Forgery/money laundering
- Kidnapping
- Crime/Urban gangs
- Natural disasters

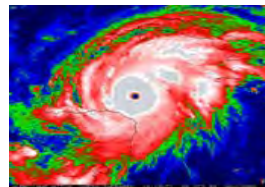


The Conditions

- Poverty
- Inequality
- Corruption

The Challenges

- Anti-US sentiment
- American Service Member's Protection Act / Article 98
- "Radical Populism"
- Weak governmental institutions
- Non-Military Threats
- Extra-hemispheric influence
- .4% of Department of Defense O&M budget



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Reserve Component Role



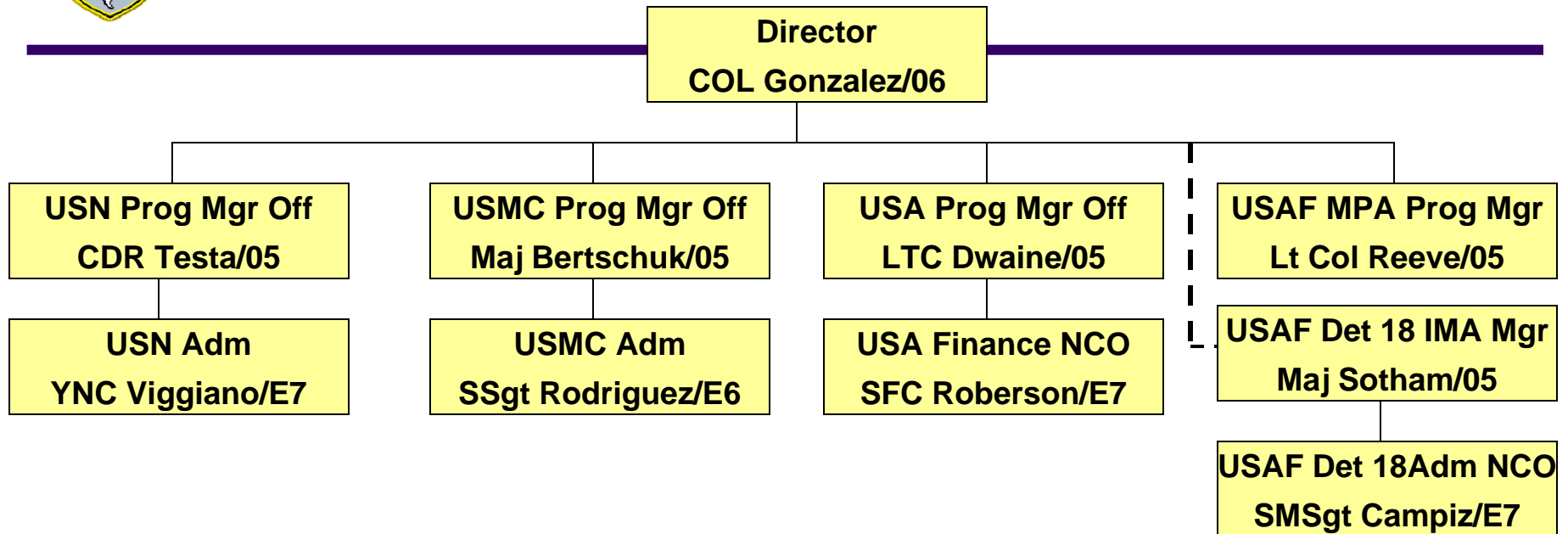


Roles and Responsibilities

- **Operations**
- **Exercises**
- **Daily Mission Support**
- **Personnel Readiness**
- **Contingencies**
- **Advise Combatant Commander**
- **Liaison to RC Service Chiefs**



Reserve Affairs Directorate



Duties and Responsibilities

- Ensure effective utilization of RC personnel HQ USSOUTHCOM
- Serve as liaison between USSOUTHCOM and Joint Staff, Service Headquarters, Reserve Components and senior RC leadership
- Advise SCJ1 Director & the Command on RC legislation, policy decisions and their potential impact on USSOUTHCOM missions
- Provide all administrative support to all reservists assigned to USSOUTHCOM



HQ SOUTHCOM Drilling Mobilization Augmentee (DIMA)

<u>Service</u>	<u>Authorized</u>	<u>Assigned</u>
• Army	172	67
• Navy	100	90
• Air Force	74	74
• Marines	38	14
• Coast Guard	20	20
TOTAL	404	265



HQ SOUTHCOM Day to Day Mission Support

<u>Program</u>	<u>Reservist</u>	<u>Active</u>
• Mobilized	37	
• Counter-drug	65	
• General Reserve Spt.	101	
• TCA	50	
• Intelligence	22	
• AGR	26	1056
TOTAL	301	1539
Total % of Reservist	Avg. 20%	



Exercises

Operational

Foreign Military Interaction

NEW HORIZONS

Incorporates Humanitarian and Civic Assistance (HCA) Program

Based on Standing CONPLANS

Peacekeeping

2002

PKO South (Seminar)
 10 Countries
 Location: Uruguay
 6-10 May, USA RSO

Cabañas (FTX)
 8 Countries
 Location: Chile
 SOCSOUTH Moved to FY 03

Disaster Relief

2002

FA Humanitarian (CPX)
 23 Countries
 Location: Honduras
 26 Feb - 8 Mar 02
 USA RSO

2003

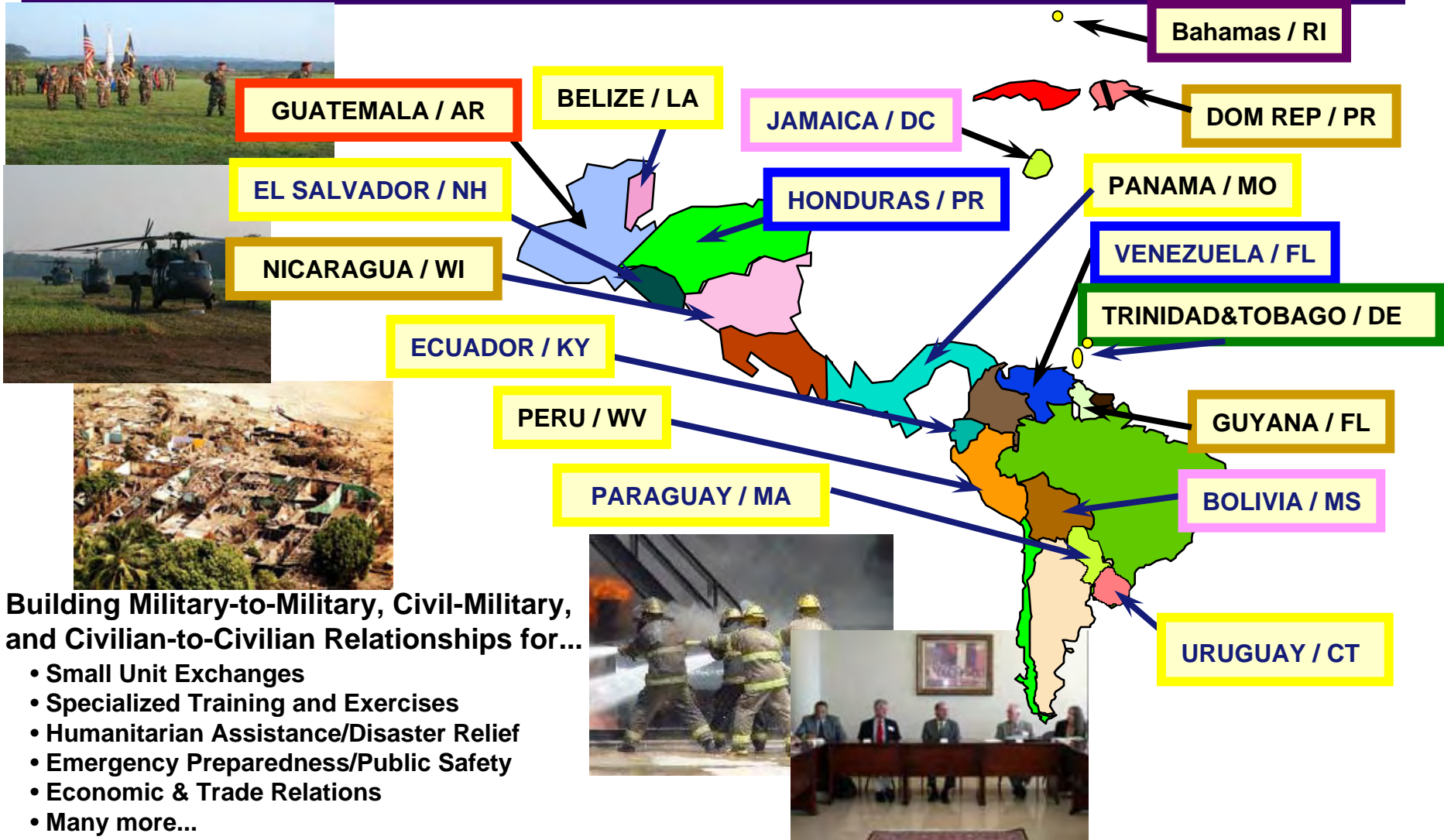
FA Humanitarian (Seminar)
 23 Countries
 Location: Nicaragua
 24-28 Feb
 USA RSO

USSOUTHCOM Annual Tempo

- 15 Exercises
- 165 Service Deployments



State Partnership Program



Building Military-to-Military, Civil-Military, and Civilian-to-Civilian Relationships for...

- Small Unit Exchanges
- Specialized Training and Exercises
- Humanitarian Assistance/Disaster Relief
- Emergency Preparedness/Public Safety
- Economic & Trade Relations
- Many more...



COCOM IMA / ARE Positions

	Off (IMA)	Enl (IMA)	Off (ARE)	Enl (ARE)	TOTAL
NORTHCOM	44	6	0	0	50
SOUTHCOM	86	69	15	4	174
CENTCOM	90	124	35	12	261
EUCOM	161	111	5	4	281
PACOM	157	87	23	13	280
TOTAL	538	397	78	33	746



Challenges

- **Personnel Required to Administer Programs**
- **Distinct Service Policies**
- **Predictability for AOR Engagement**
- **Vetting**
- **Flexibility-(Exercise support, TCA Coordinators, Changing Situations)**
- **Tour Limitations (NDAA)**



Future Requirements

- **AC/RC Rebalancing will affect RC requirements**
- **Continued Dependence on RC personnel for Operational Requirements**
- **Continued Reliance on RC Intelligence assets**
- **Potential GWOT Contingency**
- **Colombia**
- **Increased Importance of SPP to Support Theater Security Cooperation Plan**
- **Disaster Relief/Humanitarian Assistance**

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Questions?

