

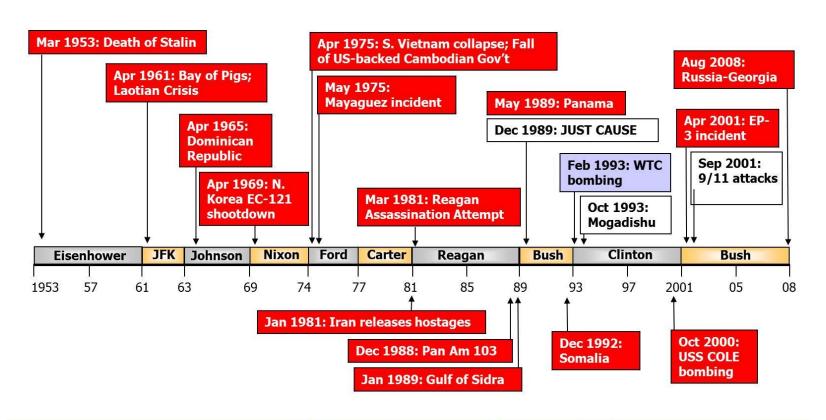
# Global Operations Brief for the Defense Health Board

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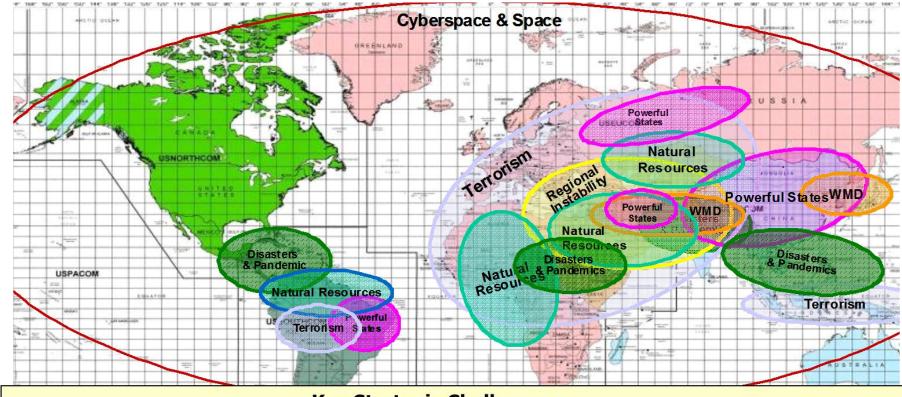
Events within prior transition periods





- Homeland secure from catastrophic attack
- Assured access to strategic resources
- Flourishing national and global economies
- Sustained military superiority and strategic endurance
- Sustained global influence, leadership, and freedom of action





# Key Strategic Challenges: (affected by Globalization)

- The Rise of Transnational Terrorism
- **Rising Regional Instability**
- **Growing Competition for Natural Resources**
- Cyber & Space Vulnerability and Competition

- The Spread of Weapons of Mass Destruction
- The Threat of Natural Disasters
- Increasingly Powerful State Competitors



## **POTUS**

- Restore economic growth and fiscal discipline
- Focus to Al Qaida in AF/PAK
- Responsible drawdown in Iraq
- Reinvigorate diplomacy and development
- Develop environmental and energy security

#### **SECDEF**

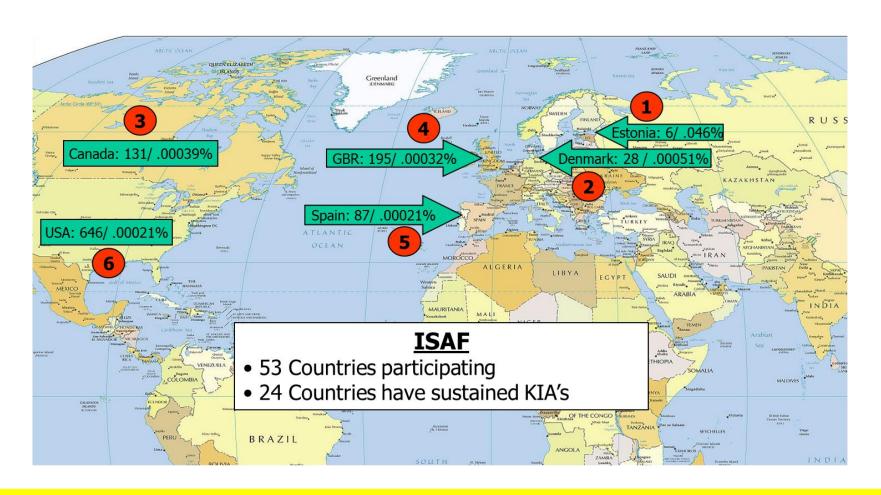
- Prevail in current conflicts
- Prepare for changing future threats
- Institutionalize IW/COIN Capabilities
- Shed cultural traits that inhibit necessary change
- Reshape priorities of defense establishment

#### **CJCS**

- Defend our VNIs in the Broader Middle East
- Focus on Health of the Force
- **Balance** global strategic risk

### Integrate "soft" with "hard" Power





This is a <u>international effort</u> paid for by not only sweat but blood



# Chairman's Key Interest Items- Near Term



• Iraq and Afghanistan	Strategic Balance
Pakistan and India	and Nuclear Weapons
• Israel, Palestine, Gaza	and external actors
• Iran and Israel	Major Regional Conflict
• Threats to the Homeland	and ungoverned spaces
• North Korea's Erratic Behavior	and Nuclear Weapons
• Piracy, Narcotics, Global Criminalitylinks to Terrorism	



# Chairman's Key Interest Items- Long Term

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  - Strategic Balance......training, modernization, readiness
  - Cyber......limited capacity and uncertain vulnerabilities
  - Terrorism......Growing number of ungoverned spaces
  - Iran and Israel......Major Regional Conflict
  - Strategy and Policy......Middle East, Russia, China
  - Global Economic crisis.....uncertain future and impacts

## How Things Have Changed for the Commander



# "Operational warfare is the level of command which coordinates the details of tactics with the overarching goals of strategy."

- Everything happens faster . . . because it can and must
- It is highly unlikely that he will act alone
- He is increasingly trying to use all instruments of power
- His mission is as much about conflict prevention as conflict dominance
- He *must* join together Intelligence and operations . . .
- In a globalized world, he is in a battle for perceptions
- His current fight is counter-extremism, counter-insurgency



# Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff Priorities on Wounded, Ill, or Injured

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➤ Develop a strategy to defend our National Interests in the Middle East

> Focus on the health of the Force

> Properly balance global strategic risk



#### Chairman's Priorities on Health of the Force

- Change the culture. Our warriors and their families are our most important and enduring components of our national defense. This involves a lifetime commitment to honor their service and their sacrifices
- 2. Develop Objective Measures of Effectiveness for wounded warrior and family programs and interventions
- 3. Re-align organization/funding of DCOE and subordinate centers
  - Education: Quantification & Documentation of TBI; Diagnostic & Treatment; Neuro-Psychiatric Fitness
  - Establish TDA, institute a chain of accountability
  - Develop Resiliency and Rehabilitation Programs focused on operational health using evidence-based traditional as well as complimentary and alternative medicine interventions
- 4. Establish Uniformed (Vice Chairman and Vice Chiefs) Committee which provides oversight of medical programs



#### Chairman's Priorities on Health of the Force

- 5. Joint Electronic Medical Record used all the way from the theater of operations through the MHS and into Veteran's Affairs. One record for life...supported with the requisite telecommunications bandwidth
- 6. Improve mental health services for service members & dependants
  - Reduce the Post Traumatic Stress Stigma
  - Improve Access to Residential Mental/Behavioral Healthcare for all Dependents
  - Standardize the DoD and VA Crisis Prevention and Suicide Hotline
- 7. DoD and VA aggressively account for, assess, and support homeless veterans
  - Provide more attention to the growing issue of homeless female vets
- 8. Develop mechanism where service wounded warrior programs can work closely with non-government organizations in order to support validated requirements



#### Chairman's Priorities on Health of the Force

- 9. Establish DoD Family Program Standards for service programs which leverages the best practices from each service
- 10. Develop programs that focus on ability and retention of quality service members
  - Allow disabled service members who remain on active duty to use their VA benefits (Vocational Rehabilitation)
  - Allow Service to grow beyond end-strength to accommodate for recovery wounded, ill, or injured
  - Allow wounded, ill, or injured to accrue leave while hospitalized, con leave, vocational rehabilitation, etc.
  - VA home adaptation funding based on local costs vice basic rate
- Complete Actions Already Underway with The Senior Oversight Committee
  - DES Reform
  - Care Giver compensation
  - Abolish concurrent receipt for medical retiree with less than 20 years











#### It's a team effort....





