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# Introduction, Operating Concept and Requirements

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# Today's Timeline



- 0830-1000: Background, Method, Results
- 1000-1015: Break
- 1015-1115: High Speed Assault Connector
- 1115-1130: Break
- 1130-1230: Results, Conclusions, Recommendations
- 1230-1345: Lunch Break
- 1345-1530: Breakout Sessions

#### Please hold all questions until conclusion of brief. Video Stream Filming In Progress.



### What Did We Find Out?



- 2015 Program of Record Sea Base forces are challenged to meet a 10/30/30 response timeline
- Firefighters Don't Take a Bus to the Fire!
  - Need "dedicated" assets in order to seize the initiative within 10 days
- Rapid force employment hindered by multiple at-sea transfers
- Future non-materiel and materiel proposals look promising



#### What Did We Find Out?



- Promising Future Solutions
  - Dedicated Strategic Lift Assets
    - High-speed surface ships
    - Lighter-than-air ships
  - Force Employment Assets
    - Large-payload, high-speed connectors
    - Load-once, direct-to-objective connectors
- SEABASE-6 model is a viable tool for followon analysis



### Agenda



- Background
- Purpose
- Scope
- Method
- Results
- Conclusions and Recommendations



# **Project Collaboration**

- On Campus
  - SEA-6
    - Project Lead
    - 18 students (All USN)
  - Total Ship Systems Engineering
    - High Speed Assault Connector
    - 12 students
  - Operations Research
    - Cost Estimation
    - Scenario Development
    - War Gaming
  - Information Systems
  - TRAC Monterey
- 50 students
- 18 Faculty



- Off Campus
  - OPNAV
    - N42, N703
  - MCCDC
  - NSWC
  - USMC I&L
  - NAVSEA
  - AFIT
  - NRAC
  - NDIA
  - CNA
  - ONR



# Background



- "Amateurs discuss strategy; professionals study logistics." -Anonymous
- DoD interested in addressing important logistics issues associated with successfully conducting expeditionary operations:
  - Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm
    - Stockpiles of supplies The "Iron Mountain"
  - Operation Iraqi Freedom
    - Denial of access



### Navy Sea Power 21





www.usni.org/Proceedings/Articles02/proCNO10.htm (15 November 2004).

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Seabasing and Joint Expeditionary Logistics are important to Navy leadership and DoD:

"Seabasing unites our capabilities for projecting offensive power, defensive power, command and control, mobility and sustainment around the world. It will enable commanders to generate high tempo operational maneuver by making use of the sea as a means of gaining advantage."<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Testimony of the Honorable John J. Young, Jr., VADM John B. Nathman...



# **Project Tasking**



- From OPNAV N7
- Provided to SEA-6 April 2004 by

Meyer Institute of Systems Engineering

"The initial objective of the study is to examine logistics flow to, within, and from the Sea Base in a Joint Warfare environment. The study should include both systems of record as well as other proposed systems, and should examine the time frame extending over the next 20 years, as new systems replace or supplement legacy systems."<sup>2</sup>

<sup>2</sup>OPNAV N7, Memorandum for Director, Wayne E. Meyer Institute of Systems Engineering



#### Purpose



- Provide the Navy with insights into this important and timely issue
- Examine architectures and systems needed to rapidly deploy and sustain joint expeditionary forces operating from a Sea Base







- Sea Base and Expeditionary Warfare discussions revolve around a "<u>10/30/30</u>" construct
- Considered Closure, Assembly, Employment, and Sustainment phases of Joint Expeditionary Operations
- Withdrawal and Reconstitution of forces out of scope



### Scope, cont'd



- Force size
  - Joint "brigade-size" force with approximately 9,000 Seabased personnel
- Focused on Maritime Pre-positioning Group (MPG)
  - CSG and ESG are part of Sea Base, but logistical support is out of scope
- Considered the following logistics commodity classes:
  - Class I (Food and Water)
  - Class III (Fuel)
  - Class V (Ammunition)

Represent ~ 98% of weight of daily replenishment<sup>3</sup>

<sup>3</sup>"Project Culebra: Seabased Combat Service Support for Ship-to-Objective-Maneuver," [CNA CRM 95-144], September 1995, p. 11.

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### Scope, cont'd



- Focused on capabilities
  - Systems and platforms over next 20 years
    - 2004-2015
      - Primarily Existing Systems and Programs of Record
    - 2015-2025
      - Primarily Advanced Concept Demonstrators (ACD) and Advanced Concept Technology Demonstrations (ACTD)
  - Considered non-materiel solutions
- Examined vertical lift capacity and sea-state effects



### Method



- Conducted Extensive Literature Search
- Followed Systems Engineering Principles

   Used DoD Joint Capabilities, Integration, and Development System (JCIDS) as framework















# JCIDS Framework







# JELo Operating Concept





Adapted from Naval Research Advisory Committee: Sea Basing, August 5 2004

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# Key Requirements



- Seize the initiative within 10 days!
  - Close to Joint Operating Area up to 2,000nm from Forward Logistics Site (FLS) in less than 10 days
  - Assemble enroute to the Sea Base
  - Employ 3 Battalion Landing Teams (<u>BLT</u>) at an objective within 200nm of Sea Base in 10 hours
    - 2 Surface BLTs
    - 1 Vertical BLT
- Sustain a Joint Expeditionary Brigade (JEB) at an objective within 200nm of Sea Base for 30 days



# Key Requirements



- Sustain the Sea Base for 30 days
- Conduct operations up to and including Sea State 4
- Provide advanced care to critically injured personnel within one hour of injury



# **Key Capabilities**



• Pre-position

Asset Visibility

- Strategic Lift
  - Air-lift
  - Sea-lift

- At-Sea Transfer
- At-Sea Assembly

- Forward Deploy
- Selective Offload

Assault Connectors

• MEDEVAC





#### **Functional Needs Analysis**

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#### Regional Scenario: Southeast Asia



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- Brigade Involvement
- Stresses Sea Base
  - Long, constrained LOC's
  - Credible maritime threat
  - Credible land threat
  - Sensitive locale



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r6 Southeast Asia? Why Southeast Asia? That is not one of the "standard scenarios"

Or is it? The JFCOM Unified Quest 03/04 war game adopted a fictitious "Sumesia" scenario to address a less-than-MCO crisis

Secretary Rumsfield and the Joint Staff suggest that Asia will be the primary source of conflict in the 21st century

We chose South East Asia because it represents a real-world potential scenario that stresses the Sea Base concept

Long and constrained lines of communication

Sensitive Strategic location which drives a rapid response

Credible Threat

We also chose it because we had already analyzed it in our Joint Campaign Analysis class

Also used in 2002 SEA study on Expeditionary Warfare rafeese, 11/29/2004



#### A 2015 Southeast Asia Scenario



- Oppressive Military Regime
- Democratic Uprising
- US asked to help
- Mission to protect and support freedom fighters
- Brigade of direct support in the vicinity of a large coastal city





### **Objective Area**



- 150 nm Sea
   Base-to-Objective
- Vertical and Surface Assault
- SSM, MANPAD, Infantry Threat
- Primarily Sea
   State 2 and 3





# FNA: Method



- Defined a Joint Expeditionary Brigade (JEB)
- Defined and analyzed current capability
- Defined and analyzed 2015 capability
  - Assessed Programmed capabilities
  - Designed 2015 Architecture
  - Modeled the architecture
  - Ran model thru the Southeast Asia Scenario
  - War gamed against a South China Sea Scenario
- Identified and quantified the capability gaps







- Accepted Practices
  - Historical Data / Analogous Systems
- Primary Cost References
  - Navy Cost Analysis Division (VAMOSC)
  - Naval Air Warfare Center (NAVAIR)
  - Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA)
  - DOD Budget Materials Website
    - FY 2004/5 President's Budget
  - Navy/USMC Fact Files
  - Center for Naval Analysis
  - Jane's resources

#### NPS Operations Research faculty reviewed costing






- Chose 2015 MPF(F) MEB as a surrogate
  - US Army Brigade Combat Team (BCT) concept emerging
- Aboard the MPG:
  - ~9200 above ship's company
    - Maneuver Element ≈ 4800
      - 3 Battalion Landing Teams (BLT)
    - Combat Support Element ≈ 3200
    - Naval Support Element ≈ 1200
- ~ <u>860 vehicles</u>









- 1 JEB Sea Base Maneuver Element ≈ 4 MEU
  - 1 JEB SBME = 3 BLT ≈ 4800 troops
  - 1 MEU ≈ 1200 troops
  - 4 MEU ≈ 4800 troops
- 1 JEB Sea Based ACE ≈ 120 aircraft ≈ 4 MEU
  - 1 MEU ACE afloat ≈ 30 aircraft
  - 4 MEU ACE afloat ≈ 120 aircraft
- 3 BLT ≈ 500 vehicles ≈ 4 MEU
  - 1 MEU ≈ 120 vehicles
  - 4 MEU ≈ 480 vehicles



Notional 2004 Sea Base



• Sea Based JEB ≈ 4 ESG + 1 CSG





### **4-ESG Platform Composition**



Platform	Number	Joint Expeditionary Logistics Operation (JELo) Phase	
LHA/LHD	4	Closure / Employment / Sustainment	
LPD	4	Closure / Employment / Sustainment	
LSD	4	Closure / Employment / Sustainment	
CG	4	Sea Shield/Sea Strike	
DDG	4	Sea Shield	
FFG	4	Sea Shield	
LCAC	30-40	Employment	
СН-46	40-50	<b>Employment / Sustainment</b>	
CH-53E	15-20	<b>Employment / Sustainment</b>	
AH-1Z	8-12	Employment	
AV-8B	20-25	Employment	



#### Current Capability: Previous Studies



#### Closure

- "...30 days or more..." Naval Studies Board Naval Expeditionary Logistics, 1998
- "....4-6 weeks..." OPNAV N7 Draft Sea Basing CONOPS, 2004
- "14 days" Naval Capabilities Plan Connectors Analysis, quoted 2004

#### Employment

- Quotes from NSB *Naval Expeditionary Logistics, 1998:* 
  - "...air (employment from 85 nm) ...took 12 hours..."
  - "...25 miles at sea...took 5 days...unacceptably long..."
  - "To move...ashore in (2 days)... had to close within 4 miles..."

#### **Sustainment**

- "15 days" NSWC Expeditionary Warfare Brief, 2002
- "15 days" MAGTF Planners Guide, 2002



#### 2004 JEB Closure Estimate



START POSIT	END	DISTANCE	ARRIVAL	CONSTRAINED WATERS
Persian Gulf	Southeast Asia	~ 3200	C + 6	Hormuz
Japan	Southeast Asia	~ 3500	C + 7	Malacca
Mid Mediterranean	Southeast Asia	~ 5600	C + 12	Suez Canal Bab el Mandeb
Camp Pendleton	Southeast Asia	~ 9300	C + 24	Malacca
Camp Lejeune	Southeast Asia	~ 10000	C + 27	Gibraltar Suez Canal Bab el Mandeb

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r7 3 ESG/MEUs off coast of South East Asia in 16 days
 3/4th of combat power in 16 days
 Last ESG/MEU comes from CONUS and takes 30 days
 Assault phase can have most equipment and troops on beach in 12 hours, 48-72 for all support equipment
 Only 15 days of supplies onboard ESG
 No current CLF support

rafeese, 11/29/2004



### 2004 Summary



With optimistic readiness assumptions...

- Closes in 25-30 days
- Employs in 12-72 hours at a 5-10 nm range
- Self-sustains for 15 days
- Large gaps in every phase...

#### ...transformational thinking required!



## 2015 Baseline Architecture







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LCAC



**CH-53X** 

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#### r8 We approached the 2015 Capability assessment differently

First we had to choose between the multitude of ideas to design an architecture

To asses the performance and understand the behavior, we modeled it and ran the model through a simulation of the Southeast Asia Scenario we just described

Used design in a War Game

Results of simulation and war game to determine the gaps.  ${\it rafeese,\,11/29/2004}$ 





#### **Non-Materiel Alternatives**

- Doctrine
  - 10/30/30
  - Sea Power 21
    - Sea Basing
      - Assemble before arrival
      - Employ from the sea
    - Sea Shield
    - Sea Strike
      - MPG assets assault-capable
- Organization
  - JEB
  - MPSRON to MPG
    - Direct report to CJTF



#### Non-Materiel Alternatives Cont'd



- Training
  - Brigade-sized workups (e.g. MEBEX)
- Leadership
  - Sea Base CO in JTF structure
- Personnel
  - More MSC personnel in MPG
  - Larger Naval Support Element
- Facilities
  - FLS as assembly site, support more ships



### Materiel Alternatives



- <u>MPF(F)</u>"Unconstrained size, Distributed Capability"<sup>4</sup> ship
  - Aviation-capable
  - Selective Offload
  - LCAC cranes
  - STREAM (Heavy)
  - Integrated Landing Platform (ILP)
  - Advanced Cargo Storage and Handling System
- CH-53X, MV-22, JSF, VTUAV
- Common Logistics Picture (CLP)
  - Global Information Grid (GIG)
  - Global Command and Control System-Joint (GCCS-J)
  - Radio Frequency ID (<u>RFID</u>)
- <sup>4</sup> CNA MPF(F) Analysis of Alternatives, Apr 2004

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#### 2015 Baseline Platforms



Platform	Number	Joint Expeditionary Logistics Operation (JELo) Phase
MPF(F) "Unconstrained-size,		
distributed-capability" ships	8	Closure / Employment / Sustainment
<u>T-AOE</u>	1	Sustainment
LCU(R)	2	Employment
LCAC	24	Employment
CH-53X	20	Employment / Sustainment
MV-22	48	Employment / Sustainment
<u>SH-60R</u>	12	Sustainment
AH-1Z	18	Employment
JSF	36	Employment
VTUAV	6	Employment





#### **SEABASE-6** Model





#### <u>Systems</u> <u>Engineering</u> & <u>Analysis</u> <u>Baseline</u> <u>Architecture</u> & <u>Solution</u> <u>Evaluator</u> - Six

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#### **SEABASE-6** Modules



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#### 2015 Baseline Reduces Closure Gap







### Disassembly and Airlift Delay Helo Arrival to FLS







#### 2015 Baseline Reduces Employment Gap







#### 2015 Reduces Sustainment Gap Ashore







#### 2015 Baseline MEDEVAC Gap







### War Game



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- NPS War Game
- Near-Peer
  Scenario
  - South China Sea
- Students vs. students



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r9 In speaking section.

LT's Feese and Partington participated in an on-campus war game

Brought baseline architecture to fold into JTF

Scenario against a near peer competitior in the South China Sea Region

Only student on student game rafeese, 11/29/2004



## War Game Insights



- Enemy with blue-water capability a definite threat to MPG
  - Straits and constrained waters a hazard
  - MPG needs higher survivability or escorts
- Sea Shield assumption questionable
  - Agrees with findings of "Expeditionary Warfare Force Protection" study (SEA-4)
- Joint equipment compatibility gap
  - Some Army programmed systems incompatible with Sea Base
    - Patriot batteries



2015 Gap Summary



- 2015 Architecture narrowed, but didn't close the gaps
  - **Closure**: 6-day gap due to strategic airlift of non-self deploying aircraft delays
  - **Employment**: 20-hour gap due to LCAC loading and transit delays
  - **Sustainment**: 50-nm gap due to aircraft external payload limits beyond 150 nm mission radius
  - **MEDEVAC**: 20-minute gap due to UH-1Y performance





#### Functional Solution Analysis and Sensitivity Analysis

#### LCDR Allen "TJ" Johnson, USN



### JCIDS Framework







FSA Methodology



- 1. Sensitivity Analysis on 2015 baseline
- 2. JCIDS Solution Priorities
- 3. Design Teams
- 4. Modeling and Simulation
- 5. Analysis





- Determine degree of impact a certain parameter or group of parameters has on system performance
  - Vary specific input variable
  - Measure system response
- Design Insights
  - System behavior and interactions
  - Performance drivers



# SE

### 2015 Baseline Architecture Sensitivity Analysis Focus Areas

- # of surface trips to deliver SBME
- Reliability
- At-sea transfer delays
- Aircraft transfer delays
- # of required operational aircraft deck spots
- # of surface interface points
- Assault connector speed
- Long range sustainment



### Maximum of 50 LCAC Runs To Meet 10 Hour Employment



Insights

- Approx. 127 LCAC trips required to deliver 2 Surface BLTs in 2015 Baseline Architecture
- Limited to 50 trips by operational requirement
- Unpredictable performance at high trip numbers due to MTBF effects with longer missions





### MTBF Must Be Greater Than Planned Mission Time



#### **Insights**

- Unpredictable performance when MTBF approaches mission duration.
- Significant gain (27%) in performance if MTBF greater than mission duration.





### Reduction/Elimination of Transfer Delay is Essential





#### **Insight**

 Need to significantly reduce or <u>eliminate</u> at-sea transfers to meet requirement



Insights

- Hot-pump refueling delay drives problem at long ranges
- Inventory/storage and transfer systems drive problem at short ranges
  - Pre-staging
  - Selective off-load





#### **Insights**

- Dedicated Sea Base deck spots needed for logistics!
- Competing resources will drive the actual deck spot requirement higher
- 6 deck spots dedicated 24/7 to logistics needed at 150 nm


# Additional Surface Interfaces Produce Minimal Performance Gains



- Minor queuing delays with single interface (~ 1 min)
- Slight gain in performance with second interface 11% (3 hours)
- Adding a third platform did not increase performance





#### Increased Surface Connector Speed Produces Minimal Performance Gains



#### Insights

- Speed not a key factor for short range assaults
- Largest gain in performance (13%) between 25-35 knots
- Transfer delay more critical than speed





**Insights** 

- Need approximately 50 CH-53X equivalents to sustain Objective from 200 nm
- Requires less deck space than 2015 Baseline Architecture
  - 48 MV-22
  - 20 CH-53X







# Sensitivity Analysis Usage

- Focused System Design
- High-Impact DOTMLPF changes
- "Biggest Bang" for the "Smallest Buck"







- Non-Materiel
- Materiel
  - Constraints/Limitations (M-Pool)
    - Programs of Record
    - Advanced Concept Demonstrator (ACD)
    - Advanced Concept Technology Demonstration (ACTD)
  - TSSE High Speed Assault Connector (HSAC)



FSA Design Teams



- 3 Independent Teams
- Ground Rules
  - Unrestricted non-materiel solution trade space
  - Unrestricted use of M-Pool for materiel solutions
  - Additional Constraints
    - Team #1: TSSE High Speed Assault Connector (HSAC)
    - Team #2: Rapid Strategic Lift Ship (RSLS)
    - Team #3: None



# FSA Alternative Solution Modeling & Simulation



- SEABASE-6
- Southeast Asia Scenario
  - Environment
  - Threat
- Consistent with Baseline
  - COIs/MOEs/MOPs
  - Data Reduction Techniques
  - Analysis





# FSA Alternative Solution Gap Analysis



- Were the capability gaps closed/reduced?
- Did new gaps emerge?





**TSSE HSAC** 



#### TSSE HSAC Briefing will follow the break







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### JCIDS Framework











MPF(F) "Unconstrained-size, Distributed-capability" ship



Joint ACCESS HSAC



MPF(F) "Afloat Forward Staging Base (AFSB)" ship



# **Non-Materiel Alternatives**



- Closure Phase
  - Assemble CH-53X enroute to Sea Base
    - CH-53X loaded onto MPF(F) upon arrival at FLS
    - Eliminates reassembly delay at FLS
    - Doctrine Change
- Sustainment Phase
  - Reduced selective offload requirement
    - Increase usable storage capacity of MPF(F)
      - 48% to 60%
    - Facility change
- MEDEVAC
  - Tasked MV-22 with MEDEVAC mission
    - MV-22 pick up wounded prior to returning to Sea Base
    - Similar for each 2025 Alternative Architecture
    - Doctrine change



## **Materiel Alternatives**



- Closure Phase
  - Reduce MPF(F) ships to 4
    - 2 MPF(F) "Unconstrained-size, distributed-capability" ships
    - 2 MPF(F) "Afloat Forward Staging Base (<u>AFSB</u>)" ships
    - Surface BLT equipment on Joint ACCESS High Speed Assault Connector (HSAC)
  - Utilize 12 Joint ACCESS HSACs
    - Used to transport equipment of 2 surface BLTs to AO
- Employment Phase
  - Replace LCACs and LCU(R) with 12 Joint ACCESS HSACs
    - Employs 2 surface BLTs
    - Provides 1 wave for insertion
- Sustainment Phase
  - Joint ACCESS HSAC serves as high speed logistics shuttle between FLS and Sea Base
- MEDEVAC
  - Eliminated UH-1Ys as primary MEDEVAC asset
    - MV-22s conduct MEDEVAC
    - Similar for each alternative architecture





Platform	Number	Changes from the 2015 Baseline Architecture
MPF(F) "Unconstrained-size, distributed- capability" ships	2	Eliminated 6 ships
MPF(F) "Afloat Forward Staging Base (AFSB)" ships	2	Addition
Joint ACCESS HSAC	12	Addition
MV-22	48	None
CH-53X	20	None
SH-60R	12	None
AH-1Z	18	None
VTUAV	6	None
JSF	36	None
CLF tanker	1	None







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### CH-53X Non-Materiel Change Reduces Closure Phase Gap







### Joint ACCESS HSAC Reduces Employment Phase Gap







### Non-Materiel Change Eliminates MEDEVAC Gap







#### Bottom Line for Alternative Architecture I **Does Not Seize the Initiative In 10 Days**







### <u>Alternative Architecture I</u> Summary



- Reliance on Strategic Airlift
  - Cause of failure to meet Closure Phase requirement
    - Strategic Airlift requires up to 4 days preparation
    - Results in late arrival of non self-deployable aircraft
- Joint ACCESS HSAC
  - Reduces Employment Phase Gap
    - Transit directly to Objective from FLS
    - Reduces need for transfer at sea
    - Replaces LCACs and LCU(R)s
    - Carries 2 Surface BLTs directly to Objective
    - Forward Deployed at FLS
  - Multifunctional
    - Augments CLF
  - Survivability
    - Has self-defense capability







- Non Materiel Alternatives
  - Reassemble CH-53X in transit from FLS to Sea Base
    - Reduces Closure Gap
  - MEDEVAC
    - All alternative architectures use MV-22 vice UH-1Y as primary MEDEVAC asset
    - Eliminates MEDEVAC Gap
- Cost Estimation (Acquisition + 10 Years of O&S) Per Squadron
  - 2025 Alternative Architecture I: \$28 \$35B (FY04\$)
  - 2015 Baseline Architecture : \$34 \$42B (FY04\$)
  - Cost Savings : 18%





# **Alternative Architecture II** LT Dan Olvera, USN



LCU(R)

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**RSLS** 

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# Non-Materiel Alternatives

- Closure Phase
  - No Reliance on Strategic Airlift
    - Rapid Strategic Lift Ship transports all aircraft except JSF
      - Still requires tanker support for JSF
    - No need for disassembly of CH-53X
    - RSLS forward deployed
    - Doctrine Change
- Employment Phase
  - Explored moving Sea Base to 10 nm
    - Small decrease in time for large increase in risk
    - Doctrine Change





# Materiel Alternatives

- Closure Phase
  - Utilize <u>RSLS</u> (36 knots) to transport all helicopters and MV-22 aircraft
- Employment Phase
  - 16 Landing Craft Utility Replacement (LCU(R)) replace 24 LCAC
  - <u>CH-53X</u> aircraft (35 vice 20)
  - MV-22 aircraft (15 vice 48)
  - Explored using <u>HLCAC</u>
- Sustainment Phase
  - RSLS used as Combat Logistics Force (CLF) ship
  - CH-53X aircraft (35 vice 20)
  - MV-22 aircraft (15 vice 48)





Platform	Number	Changes from 2015 Baseline Architecture
Rapid Strategic Lift Ship (RSLS)	1	Replaces C-5s and C-17s in the closure phase and the T-AOE in the sustainment phase
MPF(F) "Unconstrained-size, distributed-capability" ships	8	None
Landing Craft Utility Replacement (LCU(R))	16	Replaces 24 Landing Craft Air Cushion (LCACs)
MV-22	15	Removes 33 MV-22s
CH-53X	35	Adds 15 CH-53Xs
SH-60R	12	None
AH-1Z	18	None
F-35 Joint Strike Fighter (JSF)	36	None
V-TUAV	6	None









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#### Alternative Architecture II RSLS Eliminates Closure Phase Gap





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### <u>Alternative Architecture II</u> LCU(R) Reduces Employment Gap







### Alternative Architecture II HLCAC Reduces Employment Gap







#### Bottom Line for Alternative Architecture II Does Seize the Initiative In 10 Days







### <u>Alternative Architecture II</u> Summary



- RSLS
  - Meets Closure Requirement
    - Transit directly to Sea Base
    - Eliminates reliance on Strategic Airlift
    - Eliminates need for CH-53X disassembly
  - Multifunctional
    - Replaces need for CLF
  - Single Point of Failure
    - All non self-deploying aircraft embarked
    - Survivability reduced if built as planned to Commercial Standards
- Air Connectors
  - Meets Employment and Sustainment Requirements
    - More CH-53X (33) fewer MV-22 (15)
      - CH-53X has twice the range and three times the external payload of MV-22
      - CH-53X has internal cargo capability


## <u>Alternative Architecture II</u> Summary



- LCU(R)
  - Reduces Employment Requirement Gap
    - Increased area and payload require fewer trips to deliver both surface BLTs
- HLCAC
  - Does not meet Employment Requirement
    - Can only embark two per MPF(F)
    - Increased area and payload still requires 71 trips (56% improvement) to deliver both surface BLTs
    - 10nm only saves 5 hours with a large increase in risk
- Cost Estimation (Acquisition + 10 Years of O&S) Per Squadron
  - 2025 Alternative Architecture II : \$29 \$36B (FY04\$)
  - 2015 Baseline Architecture : \$34 \$42B (FY04\$)
  - Cost Savings : 17%





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## **Non-Materiel Alternatives**

- Closure Phase
  - No reliance on Strategic Airlift
    - Airship to transport all aircraft except ATT and JSF to FLS
      - Still requires tanker support
    - No CH-53Xs
    - Doctrine Change
- Employment Phase
  - All LCU(R)s loaded prior to start of 10 hour period
    - Doctrine Change
  - Air assets complete vertical BLT employment then assist with surface BLT's
    - Doctrine Change
- Sustainment Phase
  - Removed the Sustained Operations Ashore Echelon (SOAE) and Forward Base Echelon (FBE) equipment
    - Doctrine Change



# **Materiel Alternatives**



- Closure Phase
  - Added 6 airships
    - Transport all helicopters and MV-22 aircraft from CONUS to FLS
  - Reduce MPF(F) ships to 5
    - 4 MPF(F) "Unconstrained-size distributed capability" ships
    - 1 Aviation MPF(F) ship
- Employment Phase
  - 10 additional LCU(R)s Replace 24 LCAC
  - 8 ATT aircraft replace 20 CH-53
  - MV-22 aircraft (65 vice 48)
  - 2 Integrated Landing Platforms (ILP) per MPF(F)
- Sustainment Phase
  - 8 ATT aircraft
  - 65 MV-22 aircraft
  - 1 Airship

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Platform	Number	Changes from 2015 Baseline Architecture
(MPF(F)) "Unconstrained-size, distributed-capability" ships	4	Removes 4 ships and adds a second Integrated Landing Platform (ILP) per MPF(F)
Landing Craft Utility Replacement (LCU(R))	12	Increase of 10 to replace 24 Landing Craft Air Cushion (LCACs)
<u>MPF(F)</u> Aviation Ship	1	Addition
Advanced Theater Transport (ATT)	8	Replaces 20 CH-53Xs
MV-22	65	Adds 17 MV-22s Replaces 9 UH-1Ys
<u>Airship</u> (SkyCat <sup>™</sup> 1000)	6	Replaces C-5s and C-17s in the closure phase and moves all helicopters and MV- 22s
SH-60R	12	None
AH-1Z	18	None
F-35 Joint Strike Fighter (JSF)	36	None
V-TUAV	6	None

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## Alternative Architecture III Airships Eliminate Closure Phase Gap





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#### <u>Alternative Architecture III</u> LCU(R)/ATT's Reduces Employment Phase Gap





# Bottom Line for Alternative Architecture III

## Seize the Initiative In 10 Days





## Alternative Architecture III Summary



- Airship/ATT
  - Meets Closure Requirement
    - Transit from CONUS to FLS
    - ATT and JSF self-deploy
    - Eliminates reliance on Strategic Airlift
- Aviation MPF(F)
  - Platform allows for use of ATT
  - Single point of failure



## Alternative Architecture III Summary



- LCU(R)
  - Does meet Employment Requirement (9 hours)
    - ILP at sea transfers required
    - Single point failure
- Air Connectors
  - Meets Employment and Sustainment Requirements
    - More MV-22 (65) and 8 ATT
- Cost Estimation (Acquisition + 10 Years of O&S) Per Squadron
  - 2025 Alternative Architecture III : \$28 \$35B (FY04\$)
  - 2015 Baseline Architecture : \$34 \$42B (FY04\$)
  - Cost Savings : 17%





#### Conclusions

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## Architecture Summary



























# Sustainment Conclusions



- All architectures sustained vertically inside 150 nm
- Vertical sustainment cliff at mission radius greater than 150 nm
   MV-22 limitations
- MV-22 best suited for troop transport
  - Benefits diminished when used for cargo re-supply
- Near-real time asset-visibility system critical to avoid over-supplying the objective.
- Majority of MPF(F) air operating spots needed to achieve sustainment
  - Few spots for non-logistical air missions



## Project Conclusions



- A Sea Base solution that meets 10/30/30 response timeline is a tough, but do-able problem
- Firefighters Don't Take the Bus!
  - Dedicated strategic lift needed to meet response times
- At-sea transfers slow force employment
   Reducing at-sea transfers needed to meet response times
- Several promising non-materiel and materiel alternatives

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## Project Conclusions, cont'd



- Promising Future Capabilities:
  - Dedicated Strategic Lift Assets
    - High-speed surface ships
    - Air ships
  - Force Employment Assets
    - Large-payload, high-speed connectors
    - Direct-to-objective connectors that minimize transfers
- The SEABASE-6 model a useful tool



## Recommended For Further Study



- Explore a Unified Expeditionary Command concept

   Vis-à-vis SOCCOM
- Consider SkyCat<sup>™</sup> and other airship concepts
  - Survivability and Reliability analysis
- Further analyze RSLS and other dedicated sealift concepts
  - Survivability analysis
- Consider Joint ACCESS (HSAC) and/or LCU(R)-type concepts
  - CONOPS development
- Consider alternate vertical lift compositions
  - Post-employment remix toward heavier lift
  - Temporary employment augments



## Recommended For Further Study



- Conduct a detailed MPF(F) survivability analysis
- Conduct trade study of MPF(F) selective off-load technology versus manning, overall cargo capacity, and survivability
- Develop a conceptual design for a Sea Base Common Logistics Picture (CLP) architecture
- Conduct trade study on alternate command structures
- Conduct at-sea experimentation to measure transfer performance with sea state
  - Focus on tactical at-sea transfer (lighterage & ILPs)
- Conduct SEABASE-6 factorial experiment to determine interaction of key design features





## The Sea-Base is much <u>more</u> than just Logistics...

#### but Logistics gives you the Sea-Base

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#### **Closing Remarks**

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## Wrap-Up



- Thank you for coming!
- Breakout Session at 1345 in Bullard Hall Conference Room



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