



COTS Innovation for Partner Forces

Problem Statement

- How can SOF contribute in Great Power Competition (GPC)?
- How can innovation be used as a partnering tool for SOF?
- How can cheap, sustainable unmanned systems get into the hands of partner forces?

Solution:

- The development of SOF programs for “COTS innovation” with partner forces.

Impact

- Develop an updated role for SOF in GPC
- Provide a cheap way to compete with PRC in partner force relationships
- Empower innovation bases in partner societies
- Provide tangible solutions to partner force challenges while building enduring relationships

Transition

- USSOCOM is seeking creative avenues for SOF contribution to GPC
- USASOC and NSW are actively seeking updated methods to build enduring, relevant relationships with partner forces
- Goal: To interest these organizations in this concept and posture NPS to provide the necessary professional development