13th MEU (SOC) / BHRARG Deployment 02-1
Fighting the Global War on Terrorism
Preparing For War

- Predeployment Training
- Post September 11th review
  - Aircraft mix changes
  - Accelerate training
- Impacts of early deployment
Operation Anaconda
(A Glimpse at OMFTS)

- AH-1W - 217 Sorties
- CH-53E - 181 Sorties
- AV-8B - 79 Sorties
- KC-130 - 303 Sorties

Bagram
Elev. 4000'

PASNI
709 NM

San Diego
701 MILES

Masirah
375 NM

1084 NM
in 26 Hours

(Elev. 5000')
Anaconda Objective Area

- Complex Battlespace
- Extreme Relief
- Weather
- Challenging LZs
- Fortified positions with heavy air defenses

Bagram ~ 100 NM
Establishing Tactical Refueling Points

- Operational flexibility to use non-fixed base to generate sorties
- Adaptable to tactical environment
- Self-contained with own security/ordnance
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Map showing routes from Bagram to TBFDS and OBJ (Whale) via HAR TRACK.
Key Aviation Issues

- **KC-130s – A Critical Enabler**
  - Upgrade training, communications, night vision capability
  - Active/Reserve Integration a plus

- **Aircraft Survivability Equipment (ASE)**
  - CH-53E and KC-130 need attention