Blackwater Facts

- Founded in ’97 by SEAL Team Officer
- 7000+ acre training facility, including:
  - 35 ranges
  - Shoot houses
  - Demo range
  - Two Airstrips
  - MOUT facility
  - Three drop zones
  - Ship simulators
  - 3 mi. tactical track
- 35 min south of Norfolk, VA Airport
- Training in excess of 600 pers/day

Areas of Operation

- Iraq
- Afghanistan
- Persian Gulf Region
- Philippines
- Azerbaijan
- Kingdom of Jordan
- Katrina Relief Operations
- Africa

Challenges

- US Policymaker/Decisionmaker Education
- Proposed International Regulation
- Industry Misperceptions
- Legal Environment
- Media Unfamiliarity

The Future

- Building partner-nation capacity
- Fulfilling surge capacity for USG
- Stability/Reconstruction/PRT operations
- Providing humanitarian relief in failed or failing states & emerging democracies
- Offering specialized training & services