The Marine Corps Air Ground Task Force

Certain Capabilities in an Uncertain World

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101 in the past 25 years, covering the range of activities described in the national strategy.  

- 88 conformed to the doctrinal types of amphibious operations:
  - 6 Amphibious Assaults
  - 4 Amphibious Withdrawals
  - 3 Amphibious Demonstrations
  - 2 Amphibious Raids
  - 73 “Other Amphibious Operations” such as NEO (12) or HA/DR (26)
- 13 classified as “such other duties as the President or the Secretary of Defense may direct”

Some believe the Marine Corps has not done an Amphibious Operation since Inchon.
CMC Guidance

• **Achieve victory in the Long War.**

• **Right-size** our Corps to achieve a 1:2 deployment-to-dwell ratio.

• **Provide our Nation a naval force that is fully prepared for employment as a MAGTF across the spectrum of conflict.**

• **Reset and Modernize** to “be the most ready when the Nation is least ready.”

• **Improve the quality of life for our Marines and our families.**

• **Rededicate ourselves to our Core Values and warrior ethos.**

• **Posture the Marine Corps for the future.**

“Win the Fight You’re In…”
SecDef Gates

Getting Back to our Naval Roots!
Key Points

Marine Corps Shipbuilding Requirements

- **Warfighting.** Attain a minimum **38 ships** to support forward presence and generate **34 Ao** for **2.0 MEB AE**

- Stay the course with LPD-17 production. Designate LPD-17 hull form for LSD replacement.

- Return to Big Deck well deck in LHA-8
  - FY16 ship vs FY17 ship
  - Restore R&D funding now

- Achieve credible seabasing capabilities by enhancing legacy MPS squadrons
  - T-AKEs, LMSRs, MLP Lite, plus technology insertion
  - Restore R&D funding now

- **NSFS.** Carefully execute and monitor Analysis of Alternatives and assess all hull forms to meet NSFS requirements.
Amphibious Assault Ship Requirements

- 7 Jan 09 SecNav, CNO, and CMC letter stated requirement for 38 amphibious ships fiscally constrained to an inventory minimum of 33
- 33 inventory level accepts risk in MEB support elements
Wide Range of Employment Options

- Peacetime and Crisis
- Low Intensity Conflict
  - Mid-Intensity Conflict
  - High Intensity Conflict

Most Dangerous

Wide Range of Employment Options

- Train/Advise/Assist
- Relief Operations
- Nation Building
- Peace Enforcement
- Show of Force
- NEO
- Acts of Terrorism
- COIN
- Civil War
- Limited War
- Forcible Entry
- Regional Conflict
- Global War

Most Likely

Frequency
Questions?

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Backups
Armor/Protection

Significant Impact on Vehicle Height & Ship Stowage Location

Depending on which variant of armored gun mount is added (MCTAGS, OGPK, etc.), there is a height increase between 20 – 30 inches per vehicle
Mobile Loads

Extended Bed MTVRs

Short Bed MTVRs
Aviation

“Forward Bone”

“Aft Bone”
Aviation

LHD 5 Hangar Bay
All this and four aircraft
Integrating M&S for MAGTF-Ship Integration

I
MAGTF Maintenance & Supply Model (M²SM)

II
Flight Deck Model (FDM)

III
Surface Interface Integration Model (SIIM)

MSIC
MAGTF-Ship Integration Center