

Overview of Information Assurance (U)



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Information Assurance (U)

- **Definition** – Measures that **protect** and **defend** information and information systems by **ensuring** their **availability**, **integrity**, **authentication**, **confidentiality**, and **non-repudiation**. This includes providing for **restoration** of information systems by incorporating **protection**, **detection**, and **reaction** capabilities

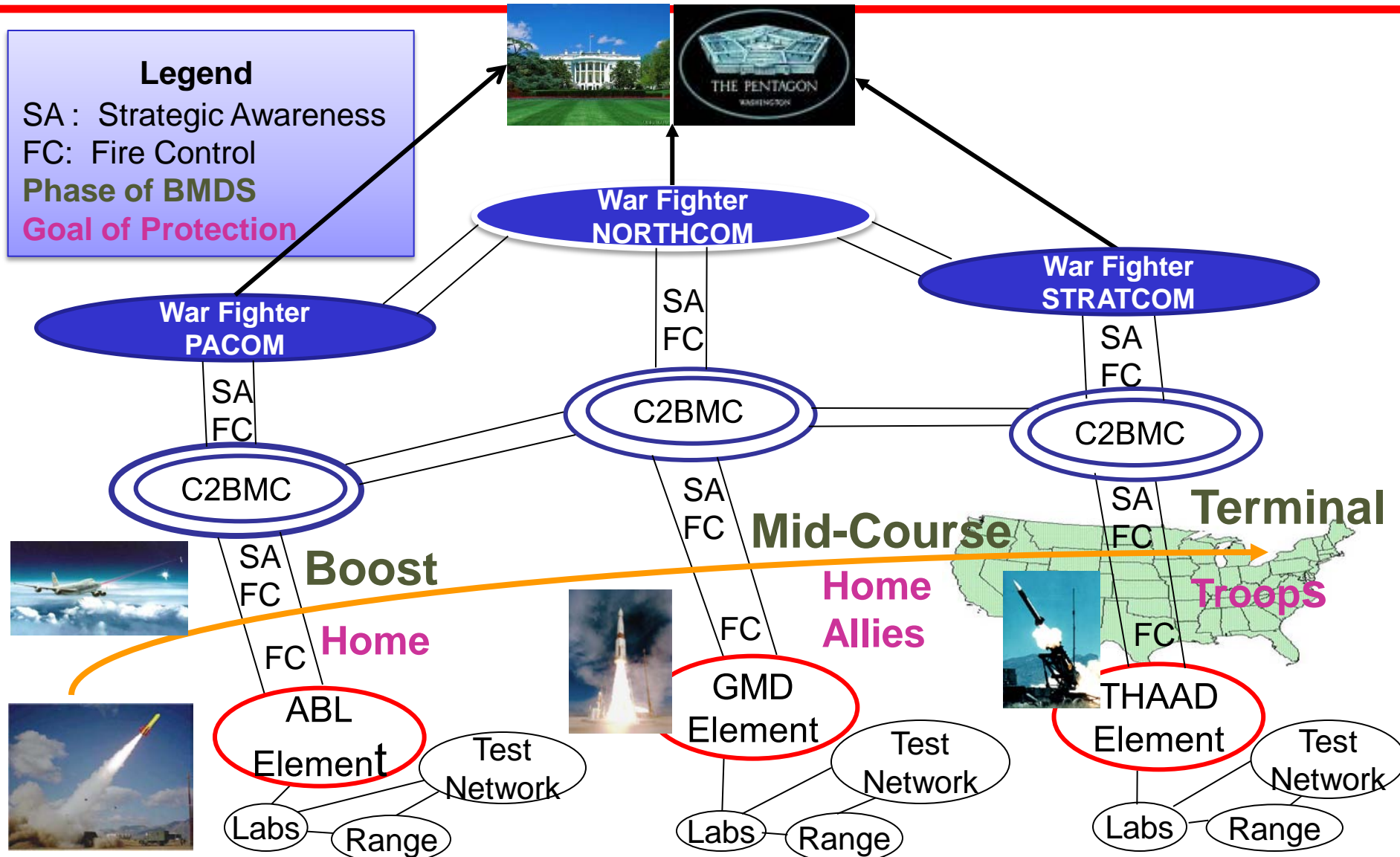
Three MDA Networks:

1. **Mission** – Network directly supporting the missile defense operational mission, i.e., directly contributes to target identification and missile launch
2. **Test** – Network indirectly supporting the operational mission, i.e., test network, assists the Warfighter
3. **GENSER** – Network supporting administrative classified and unclassified users



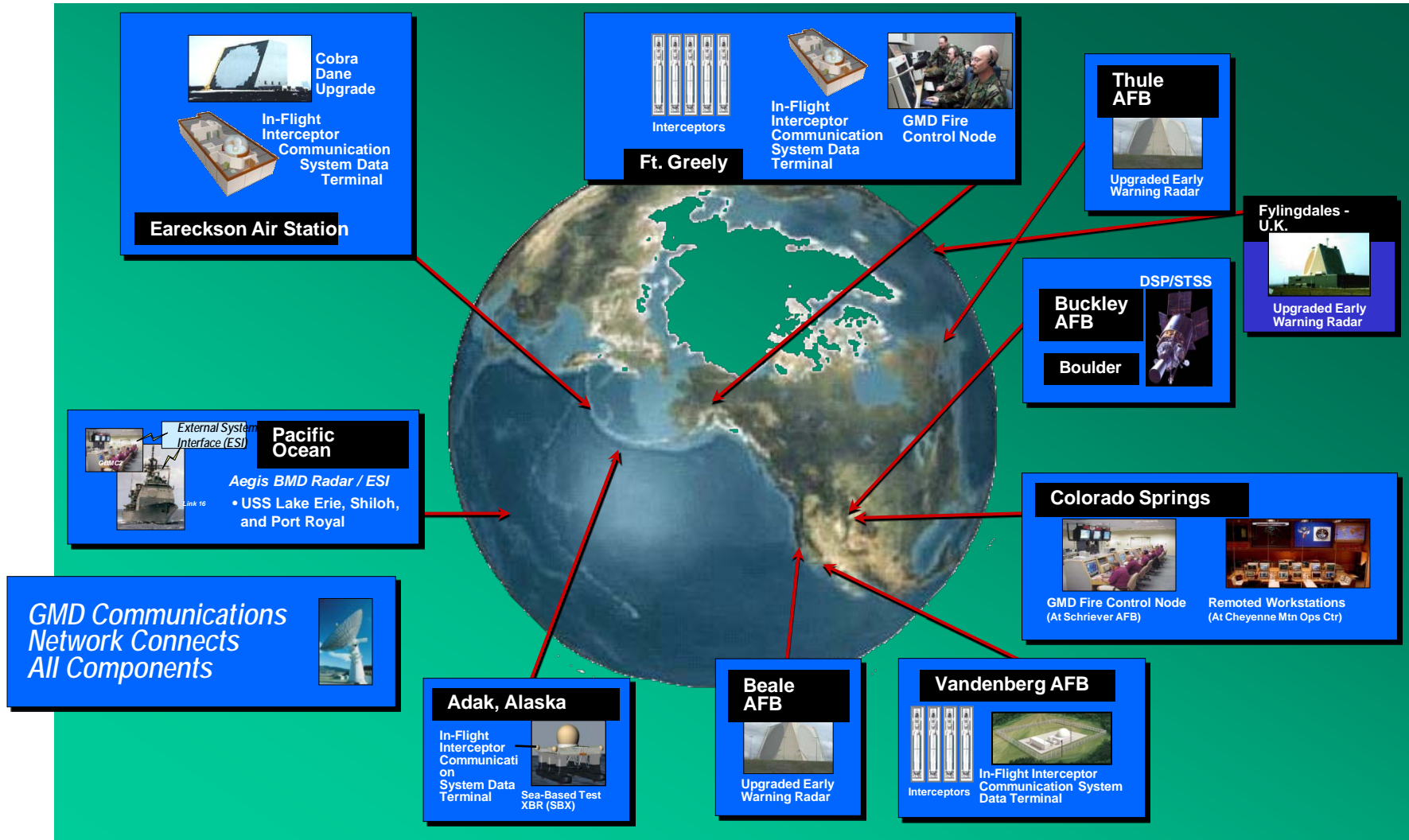
BMDS View

Legend
 SA: Strategic Awareness
 FC: Fire Control
Phase of BMDS
Goal of Protection





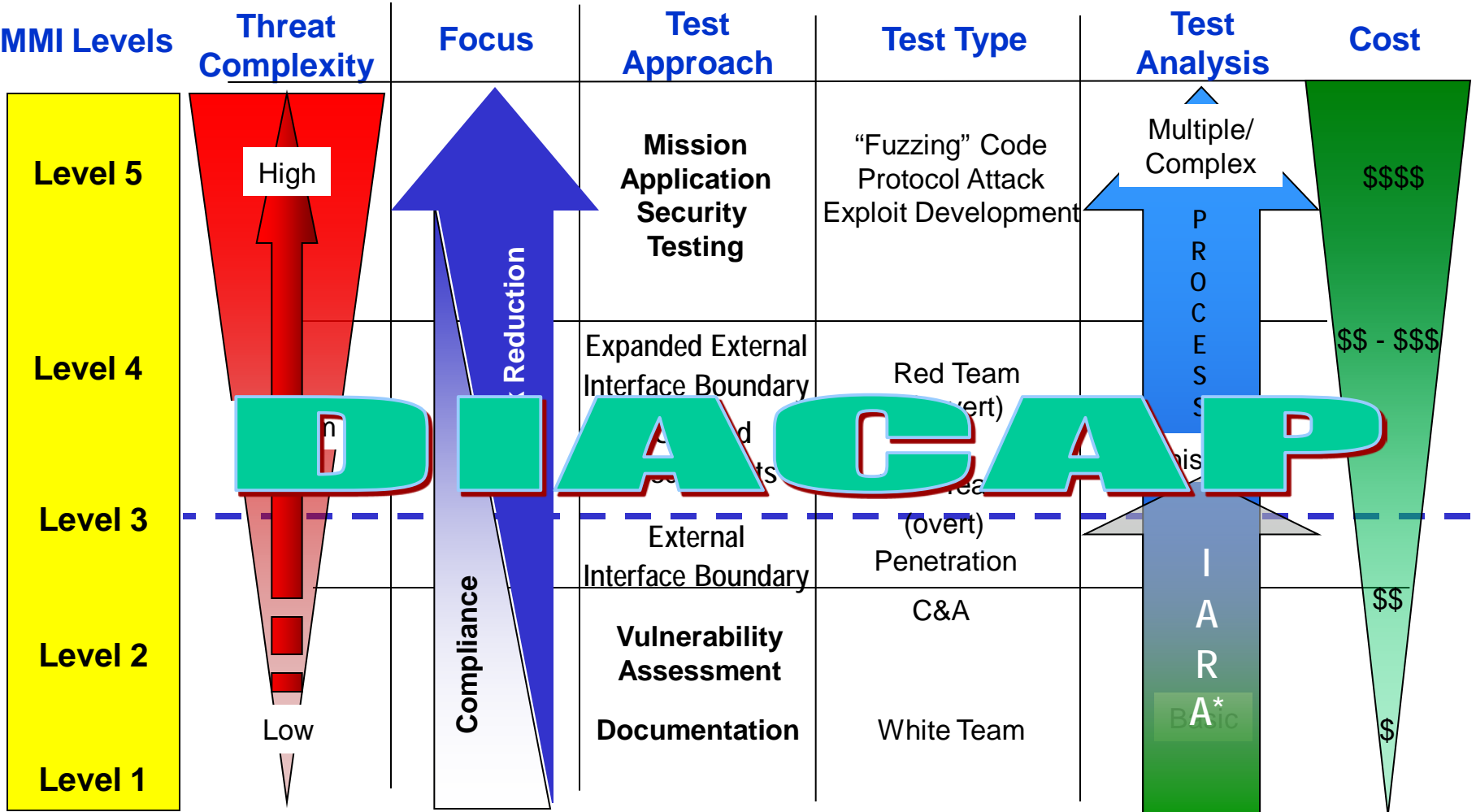
MDA Mission is Worldwide (GMD Example)





MDA C&A Process Concept

IA Capability Maturity Model Integrated (CMMI)



Defined, Disciplined, Repeatable, and Defendable Process



Potential Business Opportunities

Current Contractor: Dynetics – value at approximately \$6.5m

Key requirement – perform functions better, cheaper, and more efficiently:

Testing (Defense Information Assurance Certification and Accreditation Process (DIACAP)) –

Better – more sophisticated test tools, scenario driven tests, tools that identify malicious code

Cheaper – remote testing tools instead of deploying test teams

Efficient – tools that combine results of other tools, automated analysis

Training (DoD 8570.01) –

Better – combine classroom, hand's-on, tailored, multi-levels

Cheaper – distant learning, export via CD or Web

Efficient – centralized management, decentralized execution



Summary

- **Information Assurance is mandated, growing in importance and here to stay**
- **Business opportunities exist in identifying key IA activities or processes and offering a way to perform them better, cheaper, and more efficiently**
- **Key activities include:**
 - **Testing**
 - **Analysis**
 - **Develop IA certification & Accreditation packages**
 - **Training**
 - **Tools**
 - **Archiving artifacts, findings, etc.**

Cost Benefit Analysis must justify Government action to contact



BACKUP



Controls Validation Testing

- **Mandatory legal requirement under Title 10, US Code, Section 2224, OMB Circular A-130, and DOD regulations and policies**
- **110 Information Assurance (IA) Controls are tested resulting in:**
 - **No finding – Tested IA Control is compliant**
 - **CAT I allows primary security protections to be bypassed, allowing immediate access by unauthorized personnel. Any identified weaknesses must be mitigated within 30 days**
 - **CAT II – has the potential to lead to unauthorized system access or activity**
 - **CAT III – may impact IA posture but are not required to be mitigated in order to receive an Authority to Operate**



Certification and Accreditation Decisions

• Interim Authorization to Test - IATT

- Special case for authorizing testing in an operational informational environment (pre-deployment / test environment)
- Specified period of time

• Authorization to Operate - ATO

- Applies only to operationally ready information systems (operational environment)

• Interim Authorization to Operate - IATO

- Issued by CIO when CAT I weaknesses exist
- IATO must be accompanied by Plan of Actions and Milestones (POA&M)
- Intended to manage IA security weaknesses

• Denial of Authorization to Operate – DATO

- Remains in effect until all corrective actions identified in the POA&M are implemented



Risk Assessment Methodology

Aggregating Individual Issue Risk to Type, Site, Element Risks

Process is standardized across MDA Mission, Test, and GENSER networks

Type & Site Risks Aggregated to GMD Element Risk

GMD Element SSAA and Risk Assessment

Technical Interchange Meetings (TIMs)

- C&A Team
- Government
- Developer
- Warfighter



Multiple Issue Risks Aggregated to Type or Site Risk

| Type X to Element Y to BMDS RAP Sheet | | |
|--|--------|--|
| Consequence | Weight | Likelihood |
| Type X Criticality via-via Element Y | | |
| Imported Risk Rating from Type X | | |
| Low With Redundancy | 100 | Type Carries a Low Risk Rating |
| Low Without Redundancy | 150 | Type Carries a Medium Risk Rating |
| Medium | | |
| Medium With Redundancy | 150 | Intelligence Factors |
| Medium Without Redundancy | 200 | No known information suggesting a targeted exploit |
| High | | |
| High With Redundancy | 200 | Known information suggests potential of a targeted exploit |
| High Without Redundancy | 250 | Site Factors |
| Functionality of Type X | | |
| Role is contained within the Element | 5 | No known information at Site Hosting Type X impacts Risk |
| Role is critical to BMDS Interconnectivity / Communication | 250 | Known information exists at Site Hosting Type X. Report Site RAP value |
| Element Y weighting Within BMDS | | |
| Boost | 150 | |
| Missiles | 250 | |
| Terminal | 50 | |
| Element Role is critical to BMDS Interconnectivity | 250 | |

Single Type or Site Issue Risks

| Multiple Issues for Single Component Aggregate to Component Risk | | |
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| Imported Risk Rating from Type X | | |
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GMD Type & Site Test Results and Risk Assessments

