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Opportunities, Challenges, and Required Capabilities in the Americas

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Key Missions – S&T Focus

- Countering Illicit Trafficking
- Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief
- Peace Support Operations
Illicit Trafficking – The Challenge

- Dense Jungle Foliage
- Riverine Basin
- Broad Open Ocean
- Littoral Areas
- Urban Centers
Countering Illicit Trafficking: Source Zone

- Jungle Environment
- Adaptive, Well-funded Adversaries
- Limited Infrastructure
Countering Illicit Trafficking: Transit Zone

- Vast Ocean
- Limited Capacity
- Emerging Targets of Interest
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Humanitarian Assistance / Disaster Relief: Supporting Regional First Responders

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Peace Support Operations

- Information Sharing
- Regional Cooperation
- Interoperability
Discussion