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**HOC OPSUM**

**AS OF 161700ZAPR03**

**KEY HOC ACTIVITIES**

1. Briefing to IO/NGOs.
2. Monitoring of 20 HA Missions into IZ including:
  - 4 assessments of NASARIYAH
  - The CZ government's assessment of BASRA for a Fd Hosp
  - Various NGOs attendance at the UM QASR CMOC/ORHA briefing
3. Planning for a further 28 active missions – see Mission Log

**GENERAL**

The transition from a war fighting “belligerent” to a post-hostility “occupying power” is highly significant to the UN. Their distance from belligerent parties, and wish to remain impartial, has been well expressed. This stance will change dramatically and their ability to support an “occupying power” will significantly enhance the HOC and its ability to coordinate with the UN WFP and UNICEF; simply food and water for Iraq. Thus the official announcement of the “post hostility” position is extremely important.

Already after being open for only 1 month, the HOC's ability and effectiveness is growing rapidly. IOs and NGOs have confidence, trust and understanding of us. Today the morning brief opened up discussion, inter-action and the result was 2 NGOs and 1 IO agreeing to work together, share resources and go at the request of the HOC to a location and perform an important task that the military would have had to do.

**CELL REPORTS**

**LIAISON OFFICE**

**a. Key Actions:**

- MAJ (b)(6) deployed on a 2 man pre adv team for HOC IZ. MAJ (b)(6) is on NTM to resume his IDP function in BAGHDAD. The status of LTC (b)(6) is to be determined by HQ NC. MAJ (b)(6) will continue in the HOC-KU.

**b. Key Achievements:**

- Passed to DFID for consideration a funding proposal from 521 STRE for improving the water dispense point at the UN camp, UM QASR.

**c. Planned Future Activities:**

- Attempting to identify a POC within ORHA to co-ordinate planning with CENTCOM in response to the offer from UAE for a 210 pax military Field Hospital, 90 day deployment to BAGHDAD. This will prove something of a test case for ORHA who, to date, have not been engaged with HOC-KU.

**d. Significant IO/NGO information:**

- Human Rights Watch (HRW) made their debut at the HOC Update. Of interest, and some irony given the repeated negative reports on the Kuwaiti Human Rights record, is the application from Amnesty International (AI) for HOC accreditation. This will be facilitated in the normal fashion. Among the concerns and issues AI propose to follow in IZ are:
  - The fate of tens of thousands of people said to have “disappeared” since the early 1980s.
  - Follow up with former political prisoners.
  - Collect further information on the fate of the Kuwaiti prisoners.
  - Conduct research on legislation issued by the previous government, which provided a framework for HR violations.
  - Endeavour to collect evidence for past violations, and conduct research into the most appropriate mechanisms for bringing perpetrators of HR violations to justice.
  - Assess the current situation in IZ in relation to the humanitarian needs and HR issues.
- The 5 buildings of the UN compound in BAGHDAD are assessed as totally looted. All vehicles, IT equipment, furniture and files have been ransacked.
- The UNSECOORD officer (b)(6) has assumed the post vacated by (b)(6)

**NAVY CELL**

**a. Key Actions:**

- Met with Amer Daoudi, Manager of Operations, for the WFP to discuss shipping destined for the port of UM QASR. Mr. Doudi asked that a copy of the Notice to Mariners be sent to him as soon as it is released. Mr. Daoudi agreed to add me to his daily shipping distribution list so that I can have access to the most up to date WFP shipping data.

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- Contacted (b)(6) XO of the ORHA HA Office to introduce myself and to inform him of the efforts being made in support of incoming HA shipping. I will be meeting with Mr. (b)(6) shortly to discuss how we can work together to improve the HA shipping process.
  - Called on the Kuwaiti Port Authority at ASH SHUWAIKH. The Kuwaitis are not able to complement the data I am currently collecting on HA shipping. They were very cordial and cooperative. During my visit, I did observe the Pearl of Fujiarah offloading wheat destined for IZ. The ship is scheduled to complete her offload in the evening of Apr 17, but the complete offload of wheat may be pushed back a day or two. I will get an updated time of completion tomorrow.

**b. Key Achievements:**

- Distributed a draft document outlining port entry procedures that need to be followed for ships, both military and commercial, destined for the port of UM QASR. I will collect feedback, edit the document, and distribute the procedures via MARLO Advisory and military channels.

**Planned Future Intentions:**

- Continue to fill in gaps in the shipping, confirm arrival dates, and nail down unload requirements for ships scheduled to offload at Umm Qasr.

**Significant IO/NGO Activity:**

- Excellent meeting with Amer Daoudi, World Food Program Manager of Operations.

**MEDICAL CELL**

**a. Key Actions:**

- Baghdad Zoo - HOC has arranged procurement of a two week supply of fruits, vegetables and meat, and 1 month supply of dry feed for the Baghdad Zoo. Contract transportation has also been arranged. 358<sup>th</sup> CA BDE is finalizing convoy preparations. Departure set for 180800 APR 03.

**b. Key Achievements – NSTR**

**c. Planned future activities:**

- Identify clinical pathology laboratory support within Kuwait Ministry of Health for laboratory diagnosis of diarrhea diseases.

**d. Significant IO/NGO information:**

- Requested the medical NGO GOAL to follow up on Vth Corps HACC's message regarding a need for insulin and bandages in SAMAWAH and oxygen bottles for DIWANYIAH.

**ENGINEER CELL**

- UK Royal Engineers will pay for and install the correct hookup to the existing water main at Camp Khor and will install two additional stand pipes. This will allow the water operations to at least double the number of water tankers serviced.
  - Installing a bladder system with pumps and possible chlorinator will be estimated before any decision to fund/accomplish. This may be possible only if the bladders are already available from the Ministry of Electricity and Water.
- Met with 17 Port and Maritime Regiment and the UN Port Captain. Was requested to develop a Scope of Work (SOW) for their use. Worked with the Harbour Master in developing a SOW for the dredging operations. This SOW generally follows the plan developed yesterday.
- Attended a water meeting held up in UM QASR. Attending this meeting were various citizens of UM QASR, various members of the military (UK, SeaBees, CA), USAID, DFID, ORHA and UNICEF.
  - Discussion centered on how to best handle the current situation. Given that the Kuwait to Iraq water pipeline is temporary, the discussion leaned towards to how the existing system was used prior to the war.
    - Prior to the war the average family was allowed 30 litres of fresh water during the winter. During the summer the amount went up to either 150 liters or to 300 liters.
    - Fresh water was delivered by water tankers.
    - Brackish water was delivered by water distribution: Why -- prior to 1984 the Regime dug a number of channels that allowed salt water to infiltrated up to the water source for UM QASR.
  - Note: there appears to be an existing pipeline to the sweet water channel that was not used that could allow fresh water to get to UM QASR. Unknown if the sweet water channel has enough capacity for additional useage.

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Caveats: None

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**DC CELL**

The Iranian press has indicated that there are IDPs on the Faw Peninsula. An RFI is being sent to the Coalition forces in that area to gain further clarification.

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**Annex 1 : Mission Log**

NOTE: Only current and future missions will be included due to the length of the Mission Log. Contact HOC Operations if the full Excel spreadsheet is required.

**MISSION LOG**

145	Maersk	Tour Port Facilities	17-Apr	Umm Qasr		No	A O
130	IRC	Assessment	17-Apr	Basra		No	A O
141	ICRC	TBD	17-Apr	Al Kut		No	JG
158	STC	Assessment	17-Apr	Umm Qasr		No	JU
159	UNICEF	Work	17-Apr	Umm Qasr		No	A O
160	IMC	Medical Supplies 1-NTV	17-20 Apr	Al Qurnah		No	A O
151	J. Cashman Inc.	Construction Requirements 1-NTV	17-Apr	Umm Qasr		No	N C
153	RESCUENET	Assessment	17-18 Apr	Umm Qasr		No	A O
154	Cesui	Assessment and Medical	17-Apr	Basra		No	A O
156	ICRC	Delivery of Medical Supplies 4-trucks	17-Apr	Basra		No	A O
147	UN FITTEST	Rebro Set-up 2-Vehicles	17-Apr	Jabal		No	A O
149	Saudi Red Crescent	Convoy of Food - Water 7 Trucks	17-Apr	Basra		No	JU
135	CARITAS	Contact Partners 1-Vehicle	18-Apr	Al Zubyar		No	N C
155	IDRB	Assessment	18-Apr	Umm Qasr		No	N C
138	Japanese Government	Assessment of Port	19-Apr	Umm Qasr		No	N C
152	IRC	Assessment 1-NTV	19-Apr	Basra		No	N C
97	Czech Embassy	Assessment for Hospital w/Ambassador	TBD	Basra	UK LNO	Yes	N C
43	Disaster Area Response Team	Assessment	TBD	Northern Iraq		No	N C
57	Italian Diplomatic	Shipment of Medical Goods	TBD	TBD		Yes	N C
63	MTC	Telecommunications Assessment (S.Iraq)	TBD	Umm Qasr - Basra			JC
67	Saudi Private Donor	C-130 shipment of HA Goods	TBD	TBD			A O
92	USAID	SHIP 28.5K MT Wheat (Yellow Rose)	TBD	TBD		No	JM
93	USAID	SHIP 28.5K MT Wheat (Free Atlas)	TBD	TBD		No	JM

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95	DART	Pipeline Assessment	TBD	Basra	Need CA Support	Yes	JC
101	DART	Assessment and Insert Team	TBD	Baghdad	CFLCC Requested	Yes	N C
110	DART	Info gathering on situation	TBD	Ar Rutbah	HACC west dealing	No	N C
146	MOA/Kuwait Zoo	Baghdad Zoo	TBD	Baghdad		Yes	JC
157	UAE Government	Field Hospital	TBD	Baghdad		No	N C

**Annex 2: Shipping Matrix**

Ship Name	Arrival Port	Arrival Date	Departure Date	Cargo	Status	Org
SPS Galacia	Umm Qasr	9-Apr	up to 6 months	field hospital, 10MT water, 14 MT food	Import UQ, berth 6	Spanish Gov
Pearl of Fujjarah	Ash Shuaybah	8-Apr	4/17/2003 PM	50,000 MT wheat	import Ash Shwaikh	World Food Program
Andromea	Aquaba	21-Apr		50,000 MT wheat	enroute Aquaba	World Food Program
Yellow Rose	unknown	late Apr		28,500 MT wheat	enroute	USAID/WFP
Free Atlas	unknown	late Apr		28,000 MT Wheat	enroute	USAIDWFP
Century Fortuna (previously named Thor Navigator)	Umm Qasr	late Apr		7,000 tons rice	Vessel name should be received from WFP by Monday	Taiwan Government
Rise	Umm Qasr	late Apr		14,000 tons rice	Vessel name should be received from WFP by Monday	Taiwan Government
Orbit	To Be Nominated	early May		50,000 tons wheat/bulk	Vessel name should be received from WFP by Monday	World Food Program

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Macanudo	To Be Nominated					
Standard Vigor	To Be Nominated					
Tuo Hai	To Be Nominated					
GOA	To Be Nominated			14,000 tons of sugar		
Semiramia	To Be Nominated			13,500 tons of sugar		
Grand Ocean	To Be Nominated			21,000 tons sugar		
Taerri	To Be Nominated			10,000 tons of wheat flour in Adaiya		
Thor Mariner	To Be Nominated			40,000 tons of rice from Ho Chi Minh		
Thor Sky	To Be Nominated			14,000 tons bag rice		
Hermelin	Aqabah, Jordan	late May		rice (undetermined amount)		