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Subj: STANDING OPERATING PROCEDURES (SOP) FOR I MARINE
EXPEDITIONARY FORCE MARINE EXPEDITIONARY UNITS (MEU) AND
MARINE EXPEDITIONARY UNITS (SPECIAL OPERATIONS CAPABLE)
[MEU(SOC)] [SHORT TITLE: I MEF MEU AND MEU(SOC) SOP]

- Ref: (a) Joint Pub 3-02, Joint Doctrine for Amphibious Operations
 - (b) MCO 3120.9C, Policy for Marine Expeditionary Units and Marine Expeditionary Units (Special Operations Capable)
 - (c) MCO 3502.3B, MEU(SOC) Pre-Deployment Training Program
 - (d) USPACOM INST S3020.2L Command Relationships in U.S. Pacific Command
 - (e) MARFORPACO 3120.11 Policy for Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable)
 - (f) MCO 3000.2H, Operational Reporting
 - (g) MCO 3504.1, Marine Corps Lessons Learned Program (MCLLP) and the Marine Corps Center for Lessons Learned (MCCLL)
 - (h) MCO 3040.4, Marine Corps Casualty Assistance Program (Short Title: MARCORCASASTPRO)
 - (i) MCO 3504.2, Operations Event/Incident Report (OPREP-3) Reporting
 - (j) MCO 3000.13, Marine Corps Readiness Reporting Standard Operating Procedures (SOP)
 - (k) I MEFO 3040.2 Casualty and Serious Incident Reporting Procedures
 - (1) Joint Policy Letter, I MEF III MEF Coordinated Training Plan for 31st MEU and Sourcing Units dtd 30 Jul 10
 - (m) CG I MEF 112103Z Sep 10, I MEF Force Management
 - (n) Marine Special Operations Command (MARSOC) BUL 001, 002, 003
 - (o) COMTHIRDFLT/CG I MEF MOA, dtd 20 April 2011
 - (p) COMTHIRDFLTINST 3502.1/I MEFO 3502.1 Amphibious

- Ready Group Fleet Response Training Plan and Marine Expeditionary Unit Pre-deployment Training Program Letter of Instruction
- (q) I MEF III MEF Coordinated Training Plan for 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit and Sourcing Units
- (r) MARFORPACO 3500.9F, Training Plan Milestones
- (s) MARADMIN 535/99, Audit of Personnel Records
- 1. <u>Situation</u>. This Order establishes the procedures for organization and function of the 11th, 13th and 15th MEU/MEU(SOC)s and for the organization of the I MEF elements of the 31st MEU.

2. Cancellation. I MEFO P5440.5B

3. <u>Mission</u>. Commanding General (CG) I MEF organizes, equips, trains, certifies and deploys the 11th, 13th and 15th MEUs, and elements of 31st MEU, in accordance with the Global Force Management Plan, in order to provide Geographic Combatant Commanders (GCC) with MEUs and MEU(SOC)s able to conduct amphibious operations, crisis response and limited contingency operations, to include the introduction of follow-on forces, and designated special operations in response to theater requirements.

4. Execution

a. Commander's Intent and Concept of Operations

(1) Commander's Intent

- (a) <u>Purpose</u>: To codify and standardize the organization, manning, training, equipping and deploying of I MEF MEUs or MEU(SOC)s in support of the GCCs.
- (b) Method: In order to ensure our GCC requirements for crisis response, lesser contingency operations and theater security cooperation, we will ensure our deployment preparations achieve the highest standard. We must maximize at-sea training, focusing preparations on rapid planning and execution, amphibious raids and maritime operations. Maintaining a close partnership with our Navy counterparts is imperative to facilitate a unity of effort for pre-deployment training (PTP) and operational employment.
- (c) <u>End state</u>: To deploy a highly trained, operationally flexible sea-based Marine Air Ground Task Force (MAGTF) closely and

effectively partnered with its Navy equivalent in support of GCC theater requirements.

(2) Concept of Operations

- (a) I MEF conducts integrated, synchronized and standards-based training by understanding, applying and evaluating proficiency against the appropriate criteria required. CGs, 1st Marine Division (1st MarDiv), 3d Marine Aircraft Wing (3d MAW), 1st Marine Logistics Group (1st MLG) and Commanding Officer (CO), I MEF Headquarters Group (I MHG) shall, when directed, provide available forces to the MEU commanders proficient in the core competencies for the unit. Forces not available due to other operational commitments shall not be provided. The I MEF Assistant Chief of Staff (AC/S) G-3 shall coordinate the efforts of the MEU, the MEF Command Element (CE) and all others in developing and executing the MEU's PTP. The I MEF AC/S G-7 shall have primary responsibility for support, development coordination and execution of the MEU PTP. Per references (c), (p) and (q) the PTP shall be standardized for each MEU to the maximum extent possible and incorporate a systematic approach to training.
- (b) In order to ensure unit cohesion, receive the maximum benefit from pre-deployment training and have leaders available to guide and direct their organizations, key personnel shall be stabilized at least 240 days (preferably 270 days or earlier) prior to deployment embarkation (E-day). Key personnel include the MEU CE, battalion and squadron commanding officers and sergeants major, company and battery commanding officers and detachment officers in charge (OIC). Remaining MEU personnel shall be stabilized by the MEU forming date (on or about E-180). After the MEU has begun its PTP, its focus of effort shall be completion of the PTP with no/minimal outside interference or taskings, except as directed by CG I MEF.

b. Tasks

(1) Deputy Commanding General (DCG), I MEF

- (a) Act as CG I MEF's executive agent for MEU training.
- (b) Serve as the Joint Exercise Controller (JEC) (senior officer) of the I MEF/THIRD Fleet Joint Exercise Control Group (JECG), as practical. Recommend other I MEF Marine General Officers to serve in this capacity, if required.

(2) CG, 1st MarDiv

- (a) Task organize and source a Battalion Landing Team (BLT), per this Order and the CG I MEF LOI for Deployment, as the Ground Combat Element (GCE) of the MEU. When directed, tranfer Operational Control (OPCON) of the designated BLT to the MEU Commander.
- (b) Task organize and source a reinforced Battalion, per this order and reference (q), as the Ground Combat Element of 31st MEU. When directed deploy and transfer OPCON of the designated battalion to III MEF. (See Chapter 13)
- (c) Provide 1st Tank Battlion detachment IAW Chapter 1, paragraph 1009.2.a.(3).(b) of this Order.
- (d) Ensure the battalion and all attachments are complete with Block I/IA and Block II predeployment training at least two weeks prior to transfering OPCON to the MEU CE.
- (e) Complete all pre-deployment inspections prior to transfering OPCON of the BLT.
- (f) Submit readiness reporting messages to CG I MEF at D-240 (man, train, equip) and CHOP date (commence PTP) per reference (m).
- (g) Conduct an assessment of the GCE (this includes the core infantry battalion and all attachments) and report the results to CG I MEF prior to CHOP per reference (m).
- (h) Ensure the "MEU" suite is complete. Report deficiciences to the I MEF G-3, G-4, G-7 and the respective MEU S-3/S-4 via message no later than one month prior to transfering the BLT OPCON to the MEU.
- (i) Provide personnel augmentation to the MEU in accordance with the CG I MEF LOI for Deployment.
 - (j) Assist with implementation of the MEU PTP.
- (k) Be prepared to provide principal members of the incoming BLT staff as Certification Exercise (CERTEX) evaluators and individual augmentees to support MEU/MEU(SOC) PTP evaluated events. Tasking will occur via CG I MEF G-1 message.
- (1) Provide general "reach-back" support to the deployed MEU, as requested/required.

(3) CG, 3d MAW

- (a) Task organize and source a reinforced Marine Medium Helicopter (HMM) Squadron or Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron (VMM) in accordance with this Order and the CG I MEF LOI for Deployment, as the Aviation Combat Element (ACE) of the MEU. Transfer OPCON of the designated ACE to the MEU Commander IAW paragraph 1009.2.a.(2).(c) of this order.
- (b) Task organize and source a Marine Light Attack Helicopter, Marine Heavy Helicopter, and Marine Attack detachments, per this order and reference (q), as detachments of the Aviation Combat Element of 31st MEU. When directed deploy and transfer OPCON of the designated detachments to III MEF. (See Chapter 13)
- (c) Provide a Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron (VMGR) detachment per paragraph 1009.2.a.(3).(c). $\underline{1}$. of this order.
- (d) Provide Marine Attack Squadron (VMA) detachment per paragraph 1009.2.a.(3).(c).2. of this order.
- (e) Provide a Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron (MALS) detachment per paragraph 1009.2.a.(3).(c).3. of this order.
- (f) Ensure the squadron and all attachments are complete with Block I/IA and Block II predeployment training at least two weeks prior to transfering OPCON to the MEU CE.
- (g) Submit readiness reporting messages to CG I MEF at D-240 (man, train, equip) and CHOP date (commence PTP) per reference (m).
- (h) Conduct an assessment of the squadron and all attachments and report the results to CG I MEF prior to CHOP per reference (m).
- (i) Complete aircraft transfers [except VMA Det; see paragraph 1009.2.a.(3).(d)] and all other pre-deployment inspections prior to transfering OPCON of the ACE.
- (j) Ensure aircrew have the prerequsite qualifications per reference (p) and Appendix D of this Order prior to transfering OPCON of attachments to the ACE, and the ACE to the MEU.

- $\mbox{(k)}$ Ensure the HMH and HMLA detachments are colocated with the HMM/VMM no later than CHOP date plus seven days.
- (1) Report Amphibious Aviation Pre-deployment Training Plan Milestones per MFP Order 3500.9F prior to transfering OPCON of the ACE.
- $\,$ (m) Provide personel augmentation to the MEU in accordance with the CG I MEF LOI for Deployment.
 - (n) Assist with implementation of the MEU PTP.
- (o) Be prepared to provide principal members of the incoming ACE staff as CERTEX evaluators and individual augmentees to support MEU/MEU(SOC) PTP evaluated events. Tasking will occur via CG I MEF G-1 message.
- (p) Provide general "reach-back" support to the deployed MEU/MEU(SOC), as requested/required.

(4) CG, 1st MLG

- (a) Task organize and source a MEU Combat Logistics Battalion (CLB), in accordance with this Order and the CG I MEF LOI for Deployment, as the Logistics Combat Element (LCE) of the MEU/MEU(SOC). When directed, tranfer Operational Control (OPCON) of the designated CLB to the MEU Commander.
- (b) Provide a M88A2 vehicle retreiver detachment per paragraph 1009.2.a.(3).(d).1. of this Order.
- (c) Provide a Shock Trauma Platoon personnel per paragraph 1009.2.a.(3).(d).2. of this Order.
- (d) Provide a postal detachment per paragraph 1009.2.a.(3).(d).3. of this order.
- (e) Provide a disbursing detachment per paragraph 1009.2.a.(3).(d). $\underline{4}$. of this Order.
- (f) Provide an air delivery detachment per para $1009.2.a.(3).(d).\underline{5}.$ of this Order.
- (g) Ensure the CLB is complete with Block I/IA and Block II predeployment training at least two weeks prior to transfering OPCON to the MEU CE.

- (h) Submit readiness reporting messages to CG I MEF at D-240 (man, train, equip) and CHOP date (commence PTP) per reference (m).
- (i) Conduct an assessment of the CLB and report the results to CG I MEF prior to CHOP per reference (m).
- (j) Complete all pre-deployment inspections prior to transfering OPCON of the CLB.
- (k) Provide personnel augmentation to the MEU in accordance with this Order and the CG I MEF LOI for Deployment.
 - (1) Assist with implementation of the MEU PTP.
- (m) Be prepared to provide principal members of the incoming CLB staff as CERTEX evaluators and individual augmentees to support MEU/MEU(SOC) PTP evaluated events. Tasking will occur via CG I MEF G-1 message.
- (n) Provide general "reach-back" support to the deployed MEU/MEU(SOC), as requested/required.

(5) CO, I MHG

- (a) Task organize and source detachments from 1st Intelligence Battalion, 1st Radio Battalion, 1st Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company (ANGLICO), and 9th Communications Battalion to the MEU CE in accordance with this Order (see Chapter 1 paragraph 1009.2.a.(3).(a)) and the CG I MEF Letter of Instruction (LOI) for Deployment.
- (b) Ensure the detachments from 1st Intelligence Battalion, 1st Radio Battalion, 1st ANGLICO, 9th Communications Battalion are complete with Block I/IA and Block II predeployment training at least two weeks prior to transfering OPCON to the MEU CE.
- (c) Submit readiness reporting messages to CG I MEF at D-240 (man, train, equip) and CHOP date (commence PTP) per reference (m).
- (d) Conduct an assessment of all I MHG detachments and report the results to CG I MEF prior to CHOP per reference (m).
- (e) Provide augmentation to the MEU in accordance with this Order and the CG I MEF LOI for Deployment.

- (f) Complete all pre-deployment inspections prior to transfering OPCON of the I MHG detachments.
 - (g) Assist with implementation of the MEU PTP.
- (h) Be prepared to provide principal members of the incoming detachments as CERTEX evaluators and individual augmentees to support MEU/MEU(SOC) PTP evaluated events. Tasking will occur via CG I MEF G-1 message.
- (i) Provide general "reach-back" support to the deployed MEU, as requested/required.

(6) COs, 11th, 13th and 15th MEUs

- (a) Form 11th, 13th or 15th MEU IAW this Order and the specific CG I MEF LOI for Deployment.
- (b) Execute the Pre-deployment Training Program (PTP), in coordination with I MEF G-7, as directed by the CG I MEF LOI for Deployment, and per the guidance provided in references (c) and (h), and Appendix C of this Order.
- (c) Report Amphibious Aviation Pre-deployment Training Plan Milestones per MFP Order 3500.9F upon receiving OPCON of the ACE. (Note: ACE will report milestones "by exception" via the MEU CE)
- (d) Identify possible "reachback" augmentation support requirements (e.g. 3D CAG) to I MEF G-3/G-1 no later than E-210; include event, description of support required, and inclusive dates. Coordinate with appropriate reachback organizations after E-180 for support during pre-deployment training exercises and/or deployed exercises in CENTCOM/PACOM AORs.
- (e) Coordinate with the associated PHIBRON concerning deployed transit plan; provide finalized transit plan to CG I MEF prior to deplolyment.
- (f) Coordinate with HQMC for Washington, D. C. agency and SOCOM pre-deployment briefs.
- (g) Coordinate a liaison visit to COMUSPACOM, COMUSPACFLT, COMMARFORPAC, CDRUSCENTCOM, COMUSNAVCENT, COMUSMARCENT, and JSOC prior to deployment.

- (h) Maintain a SIPRNET Home Page; post operations and intelligence products and ensure product can be downloaded by other sites. In concert with the Navy, ensure MEU intelligence and operations products are shown on the Navy Colloboration at Sea (CAS) website.
- (i) Submit an After Action Report on I MEF G-7 training courses and overall PTP to I MEF G-7 NLT E-10.
- (j) Report via message completion of pre-deployment audit of personnel service record books, per MARADMIN 535/99, to CG I MEF G-1 NLT E-7.
- (k) Request linguist support via message to I MEF G-2/G-1 for pre-deployment exercises, deployed exercise and contingencies.
- (1) Identify training ammunition allocation shortfalls that are required to support training during E-180 to R-Day; report via message to I MEF G-4.
- (m) Coordinate with MSEs to ensure "frequent fliers" are scheduled with ASTC Miramar for helicopter egress training (N13) and HEED/HABD training (N7). Egress/HABD familiarization training can also be scheduled with I MEF G-7.
- (n) Assume responsibilities as CMS ISIC, except for formal inspection duties for MSEs and detachment upon receiving OPCON of those units.
- (o) Coordinate with MSE and detachment EKMS Managers to ensure sufficient quantities of "short titles" are held for deployment.
- (p) Submit all ration requests to I MEF G-4 FSO NLT 60 days prior to the date required (90 days in advance for OCONUS events). Submission will include all Class I requirements for CONUS and OCONUS (including Hawaii). In order to pre-stage rations, provide country, address, point of contact, the date rations should arrive, and type and quantity of rations required.
- $\mbox{\em (q)}$ Embark and deploy per CG I MEF LOI for Deployment.
- (r) Submit reports per applicable orders, and Chapters 11 and 12 of this Order.

- (s) Provide the following briefs to the CG I MEF:
 - 1. Pre-CHOP Brief (E-187).
 - 2. Pre-Deployment Brief (E-10).
 - 3. Post-Deployment Brief (NLT R+7).
- (t) On R+30, transmit a naval message releasing OPCON of MSEs and detachments back to their parent commands.

(7) I MEF AC/S G-1

- (a) Provide staff oversight of MEU personnel stablization issues and concerns via the stabilization rosters submitted by the MEU CE and MEF MSC's as part of the units deployment staffing report (DSR).
- (b) Prepare and present the administrative and personnel portion of an in-brief to the MEU Commander and his staff at approximatley E-200.
- (c) Source the standardized augmentation list personnel to the MEU CE by the specificed dates per the direction of CG I MEF and the specific MEU LOI for Deployment.
- (d) In coordination with I MEF G-3 and I MEF G-7, task I MEF MSCs to provide required personnel to support MEU pre-deployment training and evaluation.
- (e) Provide additional personnel/administrative augmentation in support of the deployed MEU as required.

(8) I MEF AC/S G-2

- (a) Provide oversight of all intelligence matters pertaining to the MEU. Monitor personnel, training and systems issues presented by the MEU, I MEF MSCs and separate battalions and companies within the I MHG.
- (b) Coordinate with the I MEF AC/S G-7 to provide adequate intelligence personnel manning for the G-7 Intelligence Section for support of MEU PTP evnets.
- (c) Coordinate MEU intelligence training quota requests.

- $% \left(A\right) =\left(A\right) =\left(A\right)$ (d) Coordinate MEU intelligence database password requests.
- (e) Coordinate MEU Foreign Counterintelligence Program funding requirements.
 - (f) Provide the MEU CE required MC&G products.
- (g) Prepare and present the intelligence portion of an in-brief to the MEU Commander and his staff at approximatley E-200.
- (h) Provide "reach-back" intelligence support to the deployed MEU.

(9) I MEF AC/S G-3

- (a) Provide staff oversight for the I MEF MEU program.
- (b) In concert with the I MEF AC/S G-7, effect liaison with USMC and USN higher headquarters, specifically THIRD Fleet, regarding ARG/MEU support requirements. Provide assistance to ensure maximum readiness of the MEU CE and major subordinate elements (MSEs) designated for service with the MEU.
- (c) Coordinate/facilitate the organization and activation of the MEU.
- (d) Facilitate integration of the MEU with the Amphibious Ready Group (ARG).
- (e) Publish both the unclassified CG I MEF Letter of Instruction for Deployment and the classified supplement to the CG I MEF Letter of Instruction for Deployment; coordinate any/all changes to this LOI once published.
- (f) Receive and evaluate readiness reporting messages from the MSC's. Coordinate assistance to address any issues identified.
- (g) Coordinate with I MEF staff sections to provide an in-brief to the MEU Commander and his staff at approximatley E-200; prepare and present the operations portion of this inbrief.

- (h) Coordinate with I MEF staff secretary (SSEC) and MEU Commander for a pre-CHOP brief provided by the MEU Commander to CG I MEF.
- (i) Assist the MEU staff in coordinating predeployment training and briefs with agencies external to I MEF.
- (j) Provide "reach-back" operations support to the deployed MEU.

(10) I MEF AC/S G-4

- (a) Coordinate procedures to ensure MSE equipment is in operable condition prior to transferring OPCON to the MEU CE.
- (b) Coordinate Joint Limited Technical Inspections (JLTI) of appropriate equipment that will be utilized by the deploying MEUs.
- (c) Coordinate sourcing for MEU training ammunition rquirements in excess of allocated amounts.
- (d) Prepare and present the logistics portion of an in-brief to the MEU Commander and his staff at approximately E-200.
- (e) Provide "reach-back" logistics support to the deployed MEU.
- (11) <u>I MEF AC/S G-5</u>. Coordinate pre-deployment Operations Plans briefs to the MEU, as required.

(12) I MEF AC/S G-6

- (a) Coordinate MEU communications requirements and requests.
- (b) Monitor and support the amphibious communication baseline and other communications upgrades aboard assigned ARG shipping; provide updates to CG I MEF and the MEU with associated operational impacts.
- (c) Act as the executive agent for the MEU's for programmatic monitoring and development of C4I requirements for incorporation into amphibious ships in concert with higher headquarters. Be aware of and keep current the fielding and incorporation of permanent and non-permanent C4I equipment and systems installations on applicable amphibious ships.

- (d) Identify and ensure MEU T/O and T/E C4I requirements are validated and supported.
- (e) Coordinate Deployment Group Systems Integration Testing (DGSIT).
- (f) Prepare and present the communications portion of an in-brief to the MEU Commander and his staff at approximatley E-200.
- (g) Provide "reach-back" communications support to the deployed MEU.

(13) I MEF AC/S G-7

- (a) In concert with the I MEF AC/S G-3, effect liaison with USMC and USN higher headquarters, specifically THIRD Fleet, regarding ARG/MEU support requirements. Provide assistance to ensure maximum readiness of the MEU CE and MSEs designated for service with the MEU.
- (b) In coordination and partnership with the MEU Commander, provide pre-deployment training to the MEU.
- (c) Act as the principal I MEF representative to the CG I MEF and COMTHIRDFLT JECG formed to evaluate ARG and MEU mission essential tasks. In concert with the DCG I MEF, inform and recommend Marine Corps General Officers to serve as the Joint Exercise Controller (senior officer) of the JECG.
- (d) Identify administrative, logistics and communications requirements for specified training and training event evaluations to the MEU CE NLT:
 - 1. 30 days prior to SOTG Courses.
- $\underline{2}$. 45 days prior to Realistic Urban Training (RUT).
 - 3. 60 days prior to CERTEX.
- $\underline{4}$. 30 days prior to all I MEF AC/S G-7 provided support for events other than those listed in $\underline{1}$ to $\underline{3}$ above that are conducted prior to or during the MEU's PTP as agreed to by the I MEF AC/S G-7 and the supported MEU.

- (e) Coordinate ammunition requirements, requisitioning, transportation and accounting for SOTG sponsored training and evaluations.
- (f) Provide G-7 instructional courses LOIs to the MEU CE NLT 30 days prior to the course start dates.
- (g) Prior to commencement of G-7 sponsored/evaluated events, provide the MEU a mission "smartpack" that includes all sea, air and ground constraints/restraints specific to the operating area/objective area/target site that will allow mission planning to proceed within the exercise environment.
- (h) Using Marine Corps developed and approved mission essential tasks, develop and submit to CG I MEF detailed requirements for evaluation and certification of each MEU as ready for deployment as defined by reference (b).
- (i) Using Marine Corps developed and approved mission essential tasks, develop and submit to CG I MEF detailed requirements for evaluation and certification of each MEU as ready for deployment. If applicable, separately coordinate with Marine Special Operations Command or the applicable Special Operations agency for concurrent evaluation and certification of any special operations unit that is task organized to the MEU.
- (j) In concert with Commander, THIRD Fleet;
 Commander, Expeditionary Strike Group Three or Commander, Strike
 Force Training Pacific, as applicable, act as the Officer
 Conducting the Exercise (OCE) and assume funding cognizance for
 RUT and G-7 supported/evaluated events (i.e. PHIBRON/MEU
 Integrated Execise (PMINT) (supporting, if applicable); selected
 Composite Training Unit Exercise (COMPTUEX) events
 (supported/supporting), the AT/FP Exercise (evaluated), and
 CERTEX (evaluated).
- (k) Working in concert with the MEU Commander and Navy organizations responsible for similar tasking, develop the intelligence scenario for RUT and G-7 evaluated MEU training events.
- (1) Identify personnel augmentation requirements to support and evaluate MEU pre-deployment training.
- $\underline{1}$. Coordinate with I MEF AC/S G-1 to accomplish sourcing and tasking of personnel for applicable evaluated events.

- $\underline{2}$. Coordinate transportation and billeting of personnel for the applicable evaluated events.
- (m) Evaluate and recommend, via message, to CG I MEF the certification and ready for deployment status of each MEU prior to deployment. If applicable, jointly (in concert with the special operations certifying agency) evaluate and recommend, via message, to CG I MEF the certification and ready for deployment status of the MEU as Special Operations Capable as defined by reference (b).
- (n) Prepare and present the G-7 portion of an inbrief to the MEU Commander and his staff at approximately E-200.

(14) I MEF AC/S G-8 (Comptroller)

- (a) Provide guidance for all MEU fiscal issues.
- (b) Prepare and present the fiscal portion of an inbrief to the MEU Commander and his staff at approximatley E-200.
- (c) Provide "reach-back" financial management support to the deployed MEU.

(15) I MEF Staff Judge Advocate (SJA)

- (a) Ensure the MEU SJA is familiar with this SOP and has complied with the requirements set forth in Chapter 10 (Legal).
- (b) Provide "reach-back" research and support for operational or legal issues that arise during deployment.

c. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Interoperability (MEU/ARG/CSG/SOF). MEU, ARG, and Carrier Strike Group (CSG) interoperability/integration is addressed in Chapter 5 of this SOP. Per references (b) and (n), MEU/MEU(SOC)s will be trained and prepared to operate with Special Operations Forces (SOF) in a supporting or supported role.
- (2) Deployment of KC-130 detachment per Chapter 1, paragraph 1009.2.a.(3).(c).
 - (3) Baseline MEU/MEU(SOC) equipment per Appendix C.

- (4) MEU/MEU(SOC) PTP per references (d), (p) and (q); Chapter 5 and Appendix D.
 - (5) MEU/MEU(SOC) Certification Policy per reference (b).
 - (6) Report Milestones per Appendix F.

5. Administration and Logistics

- a. Administration. Per Chapters 2, 3, and 10 of this Order.
 - b. Logistics. Per Chapters 6 and 7 of this Order.

6. Command and Signal

- a. <u>Command</u>. Relationships per references (a), (b), (e) and (f) and Chapter 1, paragraph 1009 of this Order.
 - b. Signal. This Order is effective on the date signed.

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