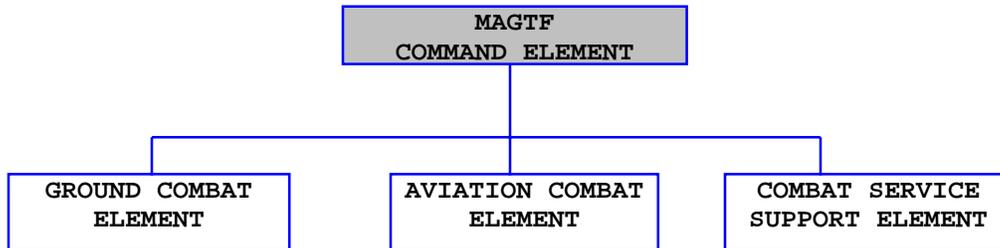


ANNEX BCOMMAND ELEMENT

1. Introduction



As the MAGTF headquarters, the command element (CE) provides the command and control necessary for effective, cross-dimensional operational planning and execution. In addition, every MAGTF command element can serve as the basis for a Joint Task Force Headquarters. Annex B discusses the mission, organization, concept of employment, and some unique equipment associated with the various MAGTF CEs found in the Marine Corps.

2. Marine Expeditionary Force CE

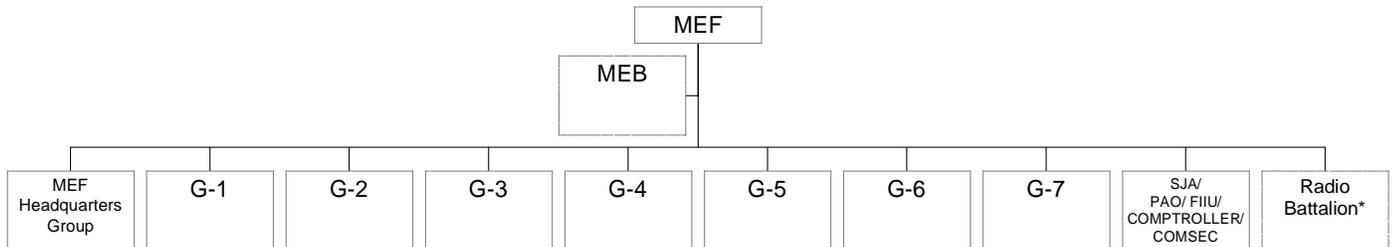
Mission: To provide command and control to the Marine Expeditionary Force (MEF). The MEF Command Element (CE) is responsible for the command, control, direction, planning and coordination of corps-level air, ground, and logistical operations of assigned forces, normally consisting of one or more Marine divisions, Marine aircraft wings, and force service support groups, and other separate units.

Tasks

- Exercises tactical direction over units assigned by the Marine component, FMF commander, naval component commander, or a joint force commander (JFC).
- Coordinate and conduct the deep, close, and rear battles throughout its designated area of operations. Determine the detailed composition of the force.
- Develop overall tactical plans for command and control, intelligence, maneuver, fires, logistics and force protection.

- Develop all-source intelligence and counter-intelligence required.
- Plan and coordinate civil affairs, civic action matters, and military-diplomatic operations.
- Plan, conduct, and maintain communications and information systems operations with subordinate, higher, adjacent, and joint or allied forces.
- Provide the nucleus of the Arrival Assembly Operations Group for MPF operations.
- Coordinate the submission of requirements for the receipt and distribution of material resources for logistic support of assigned forces.
- Function as a joint force land, air, or maritime component headquarters when designated and when provided with appropriate augmentation from the supported unified commander and the other service components.

Organization



* Organization Diagram reflects II MEF.

I Marine Expeditionary Force - Camp Pendleton, CA

II Marine Expeditionary Force - Camp Lejeune, NC

III Marine Expeditionary Force - Okinawa, Japan

Concept of Employment

The size and concept of employment of a deployed MEF can vary greatly depending on the requirements of the mission. A MEF can deploy and employ not only its own units, but also units from other standing MEFs, the Marine Corps Reserve, or other Services. The MEF Command Element is capable of independent employment, but may be satellited on

the headquarters of one of its major subordinate commands. It is capable of up to Corps-sized missions across the range of military operations, including amphibious assault and sustained operations ashore in any environment. In doing so, the MEF CE is capable of executing command and control of four to five Marine/joint/combined maneuver divisions along with other major subordinate aviation, combat service support, and other commands. Normally, there is no requirement for a subordinate Marine Air-Ground Task Force CE. However, forces employed in widely separated areas may require a subordinate MAGTF CE.

For specific staff responsibilities and duties, refer to Chapter 4 of FM 101-5, *Staff Organization and Operations*.

Question 1. **A _____ may function as a joint force land, air, and maritime component headquarters.**

3. **Marine Expeditionary Brigade CE [MEB CE]**

Mission: To maintain the ability to deploy a forward warfighting CE, MEB, capable of exercising operational control of assigned and/or attached forces. The MEF Deputy Commanding General will command the MEB. The MEB will function either as the precursor for the deployment of the entire MEF, or conduct operations of limited scope or duration, when deployment of the entire MEF is not necessary.

I Marine Expeditionary Brigade - Camp Pendleton, CA

II Marine Expeditionary Brigade - Camp Lejeune, NC

III Marine Expeditionary Brigade - Okinawa, Japan

4. **Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) [MEU(SOC)] CE**

Mission: To provide command and control to the MEU (SOC). The MEU(SOC) CE is responsible for the command and control, direction, planning, and coordination of air, ground, and logistic operations of assigned forces, consisting of a Marine battalion landing team, Marine composite squadron, MEU service support group, and other separate units.

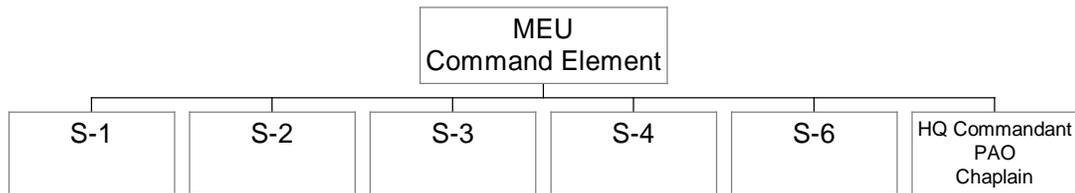
Tasks

A MEU(SOC) CE may be tasked to conduct, and be responsible for planning and the MEU(SOC)'s execution of twenty-two mission essential tasks categorized in four core capabilities:

- Amphibious Operations
- Maritime Special Operations *
- Military Operations Other Than War (MOOTW)
- Supporting Operations

** Maritime special operations are selected direct action missions conducted by specially trained, equipped, and organized MEU(SOC) forces.*

Organization



- a. Camp Pendleton, CA
 - 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit
 - 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit
 - 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit

- b. Camp Lejeune, NC
 - 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit
 - 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit
 - 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit

- c. Okinawa, Japan
 - 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit

Concept of Employment

The MEU(SOC) CE is employed as the organic command and control element of the MEU(SOC), capable of single site or split-based operations. Additionally, the MEU(SOC) CE may be employed for a limited period as the forward/tactical C2 echelon of a joint task force headquarters or a larger MAGTF command element.

The M1911A1 MEU(SOC) pistol and M4A1 Close Quarter Battle Weapon (depicted on the following pages) are organic to the MEU's Maritime Special Purpose Force and are utilized when conducting selected direct action missions.

SPECIAL WEAPONS

M1911A1 MEU(SOC)

Weight: 2.5 lbs

Caliber: 11.43mm/.45 cal

Max Eff Range: 50 meters

Manufacturer: Colt/Wpns Trng Bn, Quantico

This modified .45 caliber pistol was specially designed for use in the maritime special purpose forces (MSPFs) assigned to a special operations capable Marine expeditionary unit, or MEU(SOC). The basic weapon is a Colt 1911A1 with custom modifications performed by the armorers of Weapons Training Battalion, Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Quantico. Each MSPF within a MEU(SOC) may be armed with up to 30 pistols.



M4A1 Close Quarter

Battle Weapon

Caliber: 5.56mm

Weight: 8 lbs (loaded)

Max Eff Range: 500 meters (point)
800 meters (area)Rates of Fire: 45 rpm (semi)
150 rpm (auto)Manufacturer: Colt Firearms
Knight Armaments

The M4A1 Close Quarter Battle Weapon (CQBW) will replace the currently employed MP5N sub-machinegun. The CQBW enhances individual and team mobility, survivability, and lethality when conducting close quarter battle missions. This weapon is a 5.56mm, selective fire, compact system that is designed to incorporate a variety of detachable, mission-oriented accessories, including aiming devices and a sound suppressor. Main components are the M4 and a Rail Adapter System. It utilizes the same magazines as the M16A2, fires standard NATO 5.56mm ball and a controlled penetration ammunition. The CQBW will be fielded to the Marine Corps security forces units, direct action platoons of the special operations capable Marine expeditionary units, and military police special reaction teams.



Question 2. A _____ is responsible for command and control of a battalion landing team, a composite squadron and associated service support.

5. **Special Purpose MAGTF (SPMAGTF) CE**

Mission: To provide command and control to the Special Purpose MAGTF.

6. **MEF Headquarters Group (MHG)**

(Currently in the process of reorganization. The following Table of Organization Numbered 4701B is the draft organizational structure submitted for approval Feb 2001)

Mission: Provide command and control, administration, and command support functions for the MHG; and provide administrative and logistical support functions for the MEF Command Element and supported units to enhance the warfighting capabilities of the MEF.

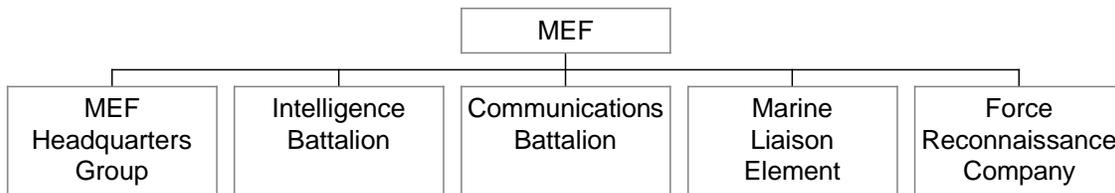
Tasks

- Provide personnel administration, legal, training, logistical, medical, fiscal, maintenance services, religious services, and force deployment support to the MEF Headquarters.
- Provide administrative and logistical support functions for the MEF Command Element and supported units.
- Plan, coordinate, and execute operational tasks as directed by the CG of the MEF.

Organization

The MHG consists of a staff of various sections (listed below) necessary to provide administrative, training, and logistical support to the MEF Command Element and supported units.

HQTRS COMMAND ELEMENT
ADJUTANT SECTION
CONSOLIDATED ADMIN SECTION
OPERATIONS TRAINING SECTION
GROUP LOGISTICS SECTION
GROUP SUPPLY SECTION
GROUP FISCAL SECTIONS
HQTRS MOTOR TRANSPORT SECTION
ENGINEER SECTION
MESS SECTION
OFF FIELD RATION SECTION
GROUP AID SECTION
CHAPLAIN SECTION



Each MEF has one MHG, but the MHG internal organization may vary. MHG, I MEF, was activated during late FY98. MHGs for II and III MEFs were activated during FY99. Each MEF also includes an intelligence battalion, force reconnaissance company, communications battalion, and Marine liaison element. Each MEF intelligence company was deactivated during FY99. Its mission and tasks, as well as new ones, were assigned to the intelligence battalion, which was activated during FY99. The Air/Naval Gunfire Liaison Company (ANGLICO) that used to be organic to each MEF was deactivated during 1998 and 1999. Personnel and other resources were assigned to the Marine liaison element, with a mission to provide linguistic, cultural, and military support to commanders dealing with foreign militaries and governmental agencies.

Concept of Employment

- Maintain the capability of deployment as an integral unit.
- Provide detachments for supported units as required.

The commander, MHG, has ADCON of MHG subordinate units. During operations the MHG or its detachments are OPCON to the supported MAGTF commander. The commander will exercise control of MHG/detachment through the respective staff section: intelligence and reconnaissance elements through the G/S-2, communications information systems (CIS) elements through the G/S-6, and Marine liaison elements through the G/S-3. Support relationships may vary widely and will be established by the supported commander, in accordance with the situation.

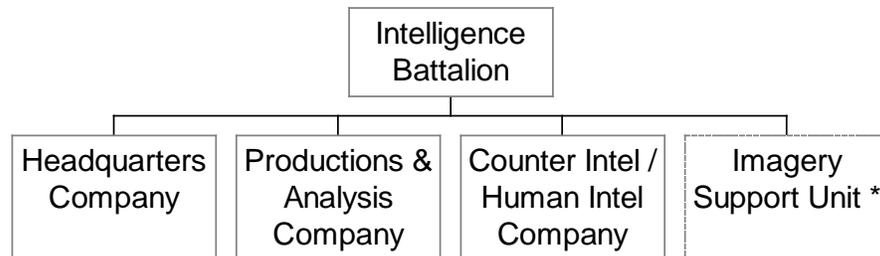
a. Intelligence Battalion

Mission: The intelligence battalion organizes, trains, and equips task-organized intelligence detachments for service with MAGTFs or other commanders as directed.

Tasks

- Intelligence Battalion Headquarters. Intelligence Battalion is commanded by a Lieutenant Colonel. During both garrison and tactical operations, the mission of the intelligence battalion headquarters is to coordinate administrative, operational, training, and logistical support for all subordinate company units. Additionally, during tactical operations the intelligence battalion headquarters will assist the MEF G-2 with establishment and operation of the surveillance and reconnaissance center. The following paragraphs describe the missions and tasks for intelligence battalion subordinate units.

Organization



* Organized as a company on the West Coast.

Concept of Employment

The intelligence battalion is under OPCON of the MEF Commander, who exercises this control through the G-2. During operations, intelligence battalion units are employed in either general support or direct support. Under general support, intelligence company elements are tasked by the MAGTF commander through the G-2/S-2 to satisfy the requirements of the entire force. Alternatively, task-organized detachments consisting of elements from some or all of the intelligence battalion's subordinate units may be placed in direct support of a subordinate commander to focus

intelligence support for particular phases of an operation or to create enhanced intelligence nodes in support of subordinate elements. Finally, when MAGTFs of less than a full MEF size are deployed, task-organized detachments from intelligence battalion will normally be attached to the MAGTF CE (such as MEU Support Teams comprised of a HUMINT Exploitation Team, Geographic Intel Team, Imagery Intel Team, and JSTARS Workstation Team).

The intelligence battalion, task-organized detachments, or its subordinate units' concepts of employment are situation dependent. The following paragraphs provide basic employment planning guidance.

(1) **Headquarters Company**

The Headquarters Company, commanded by a Captain, consists of a headquarters section, systems support platoon, and sensor control and management platoon.

Tasks

Sensor Control and Management Platoon (SCAMP). The SCAMP's mission is to plan, control, and manage the employment of unattended ground remote sensor equipment in support of MAGTFs or other commands as directed. Tasks include: Plan for the employment of unattended ground remote sensors. Operate, monitor, and maintain unattended ground remote equipment. Report items of military significance in response to designated priority intelligence requirements (PIRs) and other intelligence tasks. Train personnel (e.g., infantry Marines, ground reconnaissance Marines, aircrews) to implant unattended ground remote sensor equipment. Implant air-delivered remote sensor equipment by using rotary-wing aviation assets. Provide liaison teams for remote sensor air delivery by fixed-wing aircraft.

Organization

SCAMP. When operating in support of the MEF, the SCAMP will generally be employed as a platoon. SCAMP employment in support of MEF subordinate units or MAGTFs smaller than a MEF will generally

be task organized around either a sensor employment squad or a sensor employment team. A MEU (SOC) typically has no organic SCAMP element; instead, the parent MEF maintains a CONUS-based sensor employment team ready to deploy on 24-hours notice if a MEU(SOC) requires support.

(2) **Productions and Analysis Company**

Mission: The mission of Productions & Analysis Company is to provide enhanced intelligence analytical, production, and dissemination capabilities to designated supported-unit intelligence sections.

Tasks

Topographic Platoon. The topographic platoon's mission is to provide tailored geospatial information and services to MAGTFs and other commands as directed.

Organization

- Productions and Analysis Company, commanded by a Major, consists of a headquarters section, all-source fusion center, topographic platoon, and imagery interpretation platoon. The company organizes the employment of direct support teams as organic teams either attached to or placed in direct support of a designated subordinate commander (e.g., the MEF main effort, a MEU, or a SPMAGTF). Additionally, when not employed the direct support teams will generally augment the MAGTF All-source Fusion Center.
- Topographic Platoon. This platoon is capable of simultaneously supporting three MEUs/SPMAGTFs in addition to a MEF. Generally, support to a MEU or a SPMAGTF will be provided by a terrain analysis team, and support to a MEF will be provided by the entire topographic platoon.

(3) **Counter Intel/Human Intel (CI/HUMINT) Company**

Mission: The mission of the CI/HUMINT company is to provide CI support and conduct CI and HUMINT operations in support of the MEF, other MAGTFs, or other units as directed.

Tasks

- Conduct tactical CI activities and operations, including CI force protection source operations, in support of MAGTF or joint operations.
- Conduct screening, debriefing and interrogation of personnel of intelligence/CI interest.
- Direct and supervise intelligence activities conducted within the interrogation facility and the document and material exploitation facility.
- Perform CI and terrorism threat analysis and assist in the preparation of CI and intelligence studies, orders, estimates, and plans.

Organization

Each MEF has one organic CI/HUMINT company. The CI/HUMINT company is commanded by a Captain and consists of a headquarters section, a CI platoon, an interrogator-translator (IT) platoon, and three to five HUMINT exploitation teams. The CI platoon is organized into a platoon headquarters, four CI teams (CITs), and a TSCM team. The IT platoon is organized into a platoon headquarters and six interrogator-translator teams.

Concept of Employment

The CI/HUMINT company combines the MEF's CI and interrogator-translator capabilities into one organization to provide unity of effort in HUMINT operations and support to force protection. The company is employed in accordance with the concept of intelligence support, the CI plan, and the intelligence operations plan as developed by the MAGTF G-2/S-2. The CI/HUMINT company or task-

organized HUMINT exploitation team is usually employed in general support of the MAGTF. Subordinate elements of the company may be placed in general support of the MEF, placed in direct support of subordinate commands, or attached to subordinate elements. Additionally, a task-organized detachment will be provided to most subordinate MAGTFs and may be used to support joint operations.

(4) **Imagery Support Unit**

Mission: To provide imagery analysis support for the FMF, Marine expeditionary forces and subordinate Marine air-ground task forces, Marine Corps supporting establishment, and other commands as directed.

Tasks

- Support and assist the executive agent, the assistant chief of staff, C4I HQMC in all matters pertaining to imagery exploitation, employment of Imagery Support Unit, and the maintenance of all organic imagery and imagery-related equipment.
- Exploit and analyze national imagery to derive intelligence pertaining to installations, disposition, strength, and activities of various conventional and non-conventional forces. Conduct exploitation and related tasks in response to direction from the executive agent.
- Provide imagery reports, limited imagery-derived products, and limited secondary imagery to the MAGTF commander and others as directed.
- Conduct liaison with the force imagery interpretation units for the purpose of providing national imagery products to support the MAGTF commander.
- Conduct liaison with national program offices as required to support day-to-day unit activities.

- Manage, update, and maintain national data bases as required to support production responsibilities and daily operations.

Organization

The Imagery Support Unit consists of a headquarters section and one exploitation team.

Concept of Employment

The Imagery Support Unit has the capability to simultaneously support the FMF and the supporting establishment; and will operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Support will normally be provided from the unit's garrison location, and if required to deploy, will support a single MAGTF, or other command as directed. The Imagery Support Unit will require support from the command element to which assigned.

b. Force Reconnaissance Company

Recently, HQMC sponsored the meeting of a ground reconnaissance (recon) operational planning team (OPT) at Quantico to identify near-term recommendations to the Commandant on fixing ground recon in the Operating Forces. Over the past decade ground reconnaissance has been reorganized numerous times. One change that proved to be unpopular involved division recon, where each division had a recon company and each infantry regiment had a recon platoon. Due to inadequacies identified as a result of staffing and exercising this structure, HQMC directed in June 1999 that the Operating Forces resolve the recon deficiencies. Essentially, this meant that each MEF would retain a force reconnaissance company and each division would return to a separate recon battalion with structure coming from the division recon company and each infantry regiment's recon platoon.

The Operating Forces requested a further review of the new recon plan before executing, and that review, coupled with concerns by the Commandant, Gen James L. Jones, prompted the Corps to convene the OPT. Although not yet approved, the OPT proposed the following structure for force reconnaissance:

Mission: To conduct amphibious reconnaissance, surveillance, and limited-scale raids in support of the MEF, other MAGTFs, or joint task forces (JTFs) as directed.

Tasks

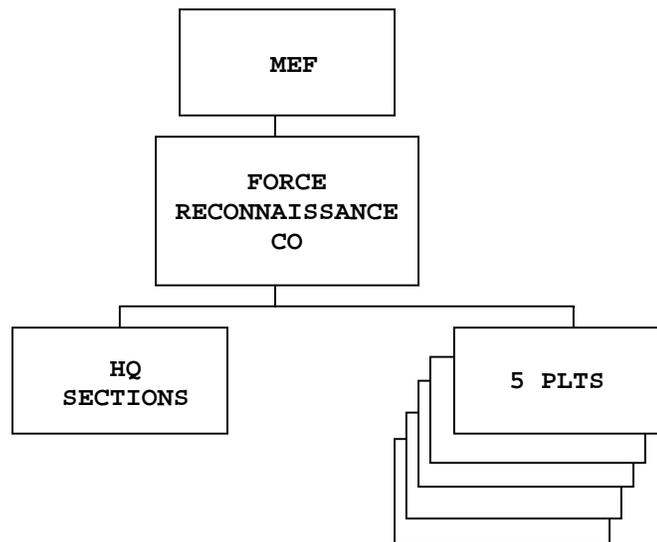
- Conduct amphibious reconnaissance, deep ground reconnaissance, and surveillance to observe, identify, and report enemy activity and collect and report other information of military significance.
- Conduct specialized terrain reconnaissance, including obtaining information on hydrography, beaches, roads, bridges, routes, urban areas, helicopter landing zones (HLZs), airborne drop zones, landing craft air cushion (LCAC) landing zones, and aircraft forward operating sites.
- When properly organized with other forces, equipment, or personnel, conduct engineer, NBC, mobile, and other unique reconnaissance missions.
- Conduct counterreconnaissance.
- Implant and/or recover ground remote sensors and beacons.
- Conduct initial terminal guidance (ITG) for helicopters, landing craft, and parachutists.
- Engage selected targets with supporting arms or organic weapons as directed, including terminal guidance of precision-guided munitions (PGMs).
- Conduct post-strike reconnaissance to determine and report battle damage to a specific target or area.
- Conduct special operations in a maritime environment.
- Collect imagery (e.g., the Tactical Intelligence Photographic Capability (TACPHOTO)).

Organization

Each MEF has one organic force reconnaissance company: 1st Force Reconnaissance Company with I MEF, 2d Force Reconnaissance Company with II MEF, and 5th Force

Reconnaissance Company with III MEF. The company consists of a headquarters section, a service support platoon, and five reconnaissance platoons. Each reconnaissance platoon consists of three 4-man teams, for a total of 15 teams per company, except for 5th Force Reconnaissance Company, which has 9 teams.

Proposed Structure for Force Reconnaissance Company, I & II MEF



Concept of Employment

The MEF AC/S, G-2, has overall responsibility for MEF intelligence, counter intelligence and reconnaissance operations. The CO, Intelligence Battalion, is under the command of the Commanding General, MEF, executing the function of the Intelligence Support Coordinator (ISC) under the staff cognizance of the AC/S G-2. The CO, Intelligence Battalion is the direct representative of the MEF G-2 and, in his role as ISC, is responsible for planning and coordinating all available intelligence collection, analysis and production and dissemination support and the overall effective planning, integration, and C2 of MEF intelligence and reconnaissance operations. The CO, Intelligence Battalion exercises command of the

Intelligence Battalion through its company commanders. The force reconnaissance company normally operates under the staff cognizance of the ISC for reconnaissance and surveillance missions and under the staff cognizance of the MAGTF G-3/S-3 for offensive missions. The basic operating unit is the ground reconnaissance team. However, platoons or task organized elements may be employed to accomplish certain tasks.

Force reconnaissance operations should have a defined scope and duration, with planned exfiltration. Teams are usually inserted into the supported commander's area of interest (usually the deep area), often well beyond MAGTF supporting arms and in the vicinity of the enemy's operational reserve, staging and marshalling areas, and key lines of communications to collect and report information in response to the commander's PIRs and IRs and supporting intelligence collection and dissemination plans.

When required by the situation, the company or detachments may be placed in direct support of or attached to smaller MAGTFs or to MEF major subordinate commands other than the command element. A force reconnaissance detachment is normally attached to a MEU(SOC).

c. **Communication Battalion**

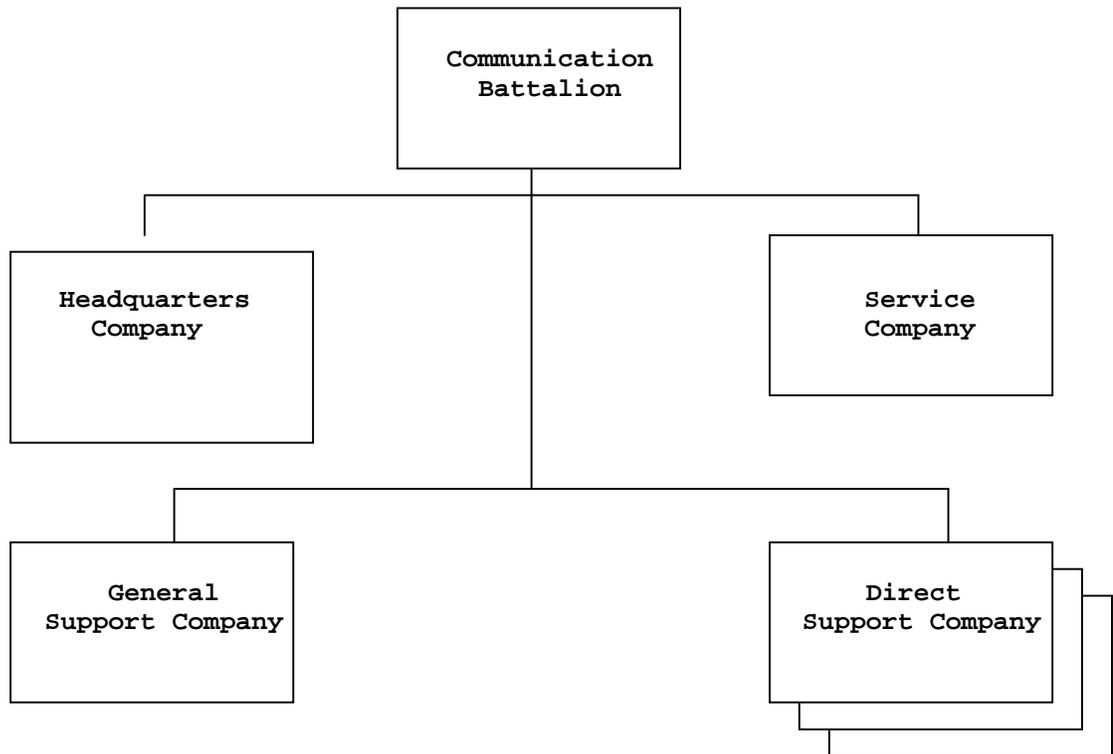
Mission: The mission of the communication battalion is to provide communications support to a MARFOR component HQ; a MEF CE or a MEB CE; a component HQ deployed simultaneously with a MEF CE and a MEB CE; or two MEB CEs.

Tasks

- Provide CE communications for the supported CE: MEU, MEB, MEF, and component HQ.
- Provide Communications connectivity between the supported CE and senior, adjacent, and subordinate HQs.
- Provide the supported CE with a Naval Telecommunications System entry and/or, as appropriate, entry into the Defense Communications System.

Organization

Communication Battalion Organization



Each MEF has an organic communication battalion: 9th Communication Battalion with I MEF, 8th Communication Battalion with II MEF, and 7th Communication Battalion with III MEF. Each communication battalion consists of a headquarters company, a service company, a general support company, and three direct support companies (except 7th Comm Bn, III MEF, has one Direct Support Company)

Concept of Employment

During operations the communication battalion or its task-organized detachments are OPCON to the MAGTF commander, who exercises this control through the G-6/S-6. Elements of the battalion are organized to provide specified general or direct support of the MARFOR component commander or MAGTF CE. The MAGTF G-6/S-6 exercises staff cognizance over MAGTF communications; to facilitate system planning and engineering, the battalion conducts concurrent

planning with the MAGTF G-6/S-6. Elements of the communication battalion may be employed separately as task-organized detachments to support organizations smaller than a MEF CE, or the entire battalion may be employed to support larger MAGTF CEs. The communications battalion will normally deploy as a task-organized unit or will deploy task-organized detachments in support of MARFOR headquarters and MAGTF CEs. In support of a MEF CE, the battalion in total will task organize to support the deployment. Upon notification, and before deployment of a smaller MAGTF CE or a MARFOR headquarters, a direct support communications company will be task-organized to support the deployment. The headquarters company includes the structure necessary to provide detachments to support three MEU CEs.

d. **Marine Liaison Element (MLE)**

Mission

(1) Provide MAGTF and Marine Component Commanders with military, regional, linguistic, and cultural expertise to facilitate command, control, communication, and coordination with military or civilian foreign/international organizations in expeditionary operations across the spectrum of conflict.

(2) Provide tactical level liaison for the planning, coordination and terminal control of air, artillery, and naval surface fires**.

Tasks

- Provide task-organized, trained and equipped teams to MAGTF and Marine Component Commanders with regional, linguistic and cultural expertise to facilitate planning and execution of military operations across the spectrum of conflict.
- Provide task-organized, trained and equipped teams to serve as MAGTF and Marine Component Commanders' liaison to foreign and international organizations as subject matter experts in Marine Corps and U. S. joint doctrine, tactics, techniques and procedures to facilitate planning and execution of military operations across the spectrum of conflict.

- Facilitate connectivity between MAGTF or Marine Component Commanders and foreign or international organizations to enhance the exchange of information.
- Facilitate the planning, coordination and terminal control of air, artillery, and naval surface fires when operating with coalition/allied forces.

ORGANIZATION

- The MLE consists of an Element Headquarters, MEF Liaison Teams, Marine Expeditionary Brigade (MEB) Teams, Supporting Arms Liaison Teams (SALTs)**, and Firepower Control Teams (FCTs)**.
- The MEF and MEB teams provide operational level liaison support to the MEF and MEB respectively.
- The SALTs effect fire support planning and coordination at the battalion level while the FCTs control air, artillery, and naval surface fires at the company level**.

** CAPABILITY NOT RESIDENT, PROPOSED ONLY **

Command and Control

- The MLE is under the operational control of the MEF Commander.
- Communications. MLE will possess limited organic communications capability for those systems that provide for communications between the liaison teams and supported MAGTF or Marine Component Commanders. The MHG will provide additional communications assets as required to support the tactical missions.

CONCEPT OF EMPLOYMENT

- The wide range of conditions for which the MLE may be employed requires a high degree of organizational flexibility and adaptability accomplished by task organizing to support the assigned mission.

- The MLE will normally be deployed with the MEF, MEB, designated MAGTFs, or allied forces engaged in Joint/Combined operations amphibious operations or subsequent sustained operations ashore.
- Placed in support of foreign/international organizations, the MLE will remain under the command of the U.S. Commander.

Question 3. _____ conducts amphibious reconnaissance, surveillance, and limited scale raids in support of the MEF, other MAGTFs, or JTFs as directed.

Question 4. _____ provides communication support to MARFOR component headquarters and MAGTF CEs.

7. Radio Battalion

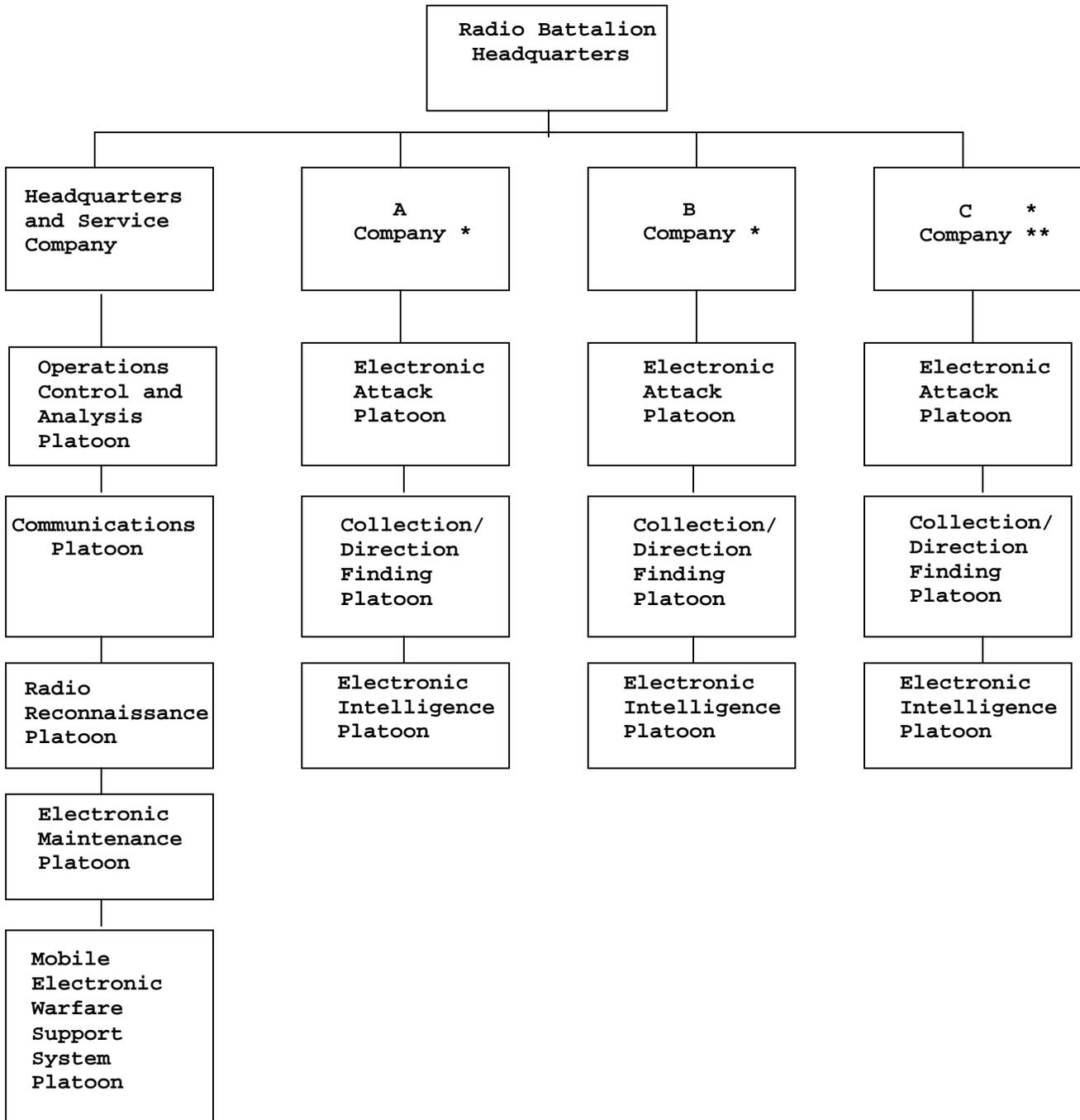
Mission: To provide communications security (COMSEC) monitoring, tactical signals intelligence (SIGINT), Electronic Warfare (EW) and Special Intelligence (SI) communications support to the MAGTF.

Tasks

- Conducts interception, radio direction finding (DF), recording, and analysis of communications and noncommunications signals; and SIGINT processing, analysis, production, and reporting.
- Conducts EW against enemy or other hostile communications.
- Assists in the protection of MAGTF communications from enemy exploitation by conducting COMSEC monitoring, analysis, and reporting on friendly force communications.
- Provides SI communications support and cryptographic guard (personnel and terminal equipment) in support of MAGTF command elements and Radio Battalion (RadBn) operations. Normally, communications connectivity for SI communications is provided by the communications unit supporting the MAGTF CE.
- Provides task-organized detachments to MAGTFs with designated SIGINT, EW, SI communications, and other required capabilities.
- Exercises technical control and direction over MAGTF RadBn SIGINT and EW operations.
- Provide Radio Reconnaissance Team (RRT) with specialized insertion and extraction capabilities (combat rubber raiding craft, fast rope, rappel, helocast, static line parachute) to provide specified SIGINT and electronic attack support during advance force, preassault, or deep postassault operations.
- Coordinates technical SIGINT requirements and exchanges SIGINT technical information and material with national, theater, joint, and other SIGINT units.
- Provides intermediate, third- and fourth-echelon maintenance of RadBn SIGINT and EW equipment.

Organization

Radio Battalion Organization



*Company organizations are per T/O. Each battalion's organization will vary to support unique requirements.

**1st Radio Battalion only.

There are two radio battalions within the operating force: 1st Radio Battalion, which is OPCON to COMMARFORPAC and is responsible for providing support to it and I and III MEF; and 2d Radio Battalion, which is responsible to support COMMARFORLANT and II MEF. 1st Radio Battalion consists of an H&S company and three operational companies (T/O numbers 4737D and 4735D); 2d Radio Battalion consists of an H&S company and two operational companies (T/O numbers 4737M and 4735M). The operational companies of the radio battalion are not tactical organizations, but instead serve as training and administrative units from which personnel and equipment are drawn to form task-organized SIGINT Support Units (SSUs). A radio battalion SSU will be task organized around all or most of the following elements: a headquarters element, an operations control and analysis center or collections/DF element, an EA element, an SI communications element, a service support element, and a radio reconnaissance element.

Concept of Employment

The Radio Battalion task-organizes and employs its companies and teams to best support the MEF by:

- Deploying collection or DF teams for improved target signals access and operational support to forward MAGTF units.
- Collocating Radio Battalion's C2 node with the MAGTF G-2/S-2's CIC and operating within the integrated intelligence concept of operations in GS of the MAGTF.
- Focusing on tasked PIRs and IRs and providing required support to all six intelligence functions.
- Disseminating time-sensitive SIGINT products to subordinate MAGTF units when required by the tactical situation.
- Providing operations control and analysis center (OCAC) liaison teams (OLTs) to the lead elements of the MEF, its MSEs and adjacent units as required; and providing SIGINT support elements (SSEs) and SSTs with mobile MAGTF units.

- Providing security and CIS for all internal Radio Battalion requirements and for specified MAGTF CE support.
- Integrating operations with other MAGTF intelligence units to support cueing of other intelligence and reconnaissance collection elements, all-source intelligence production, and other mutual support.

Question 5. _____ provides tactical signals intelligence (SIGINT) and special intelligence (SI) communications support as two of its missions.