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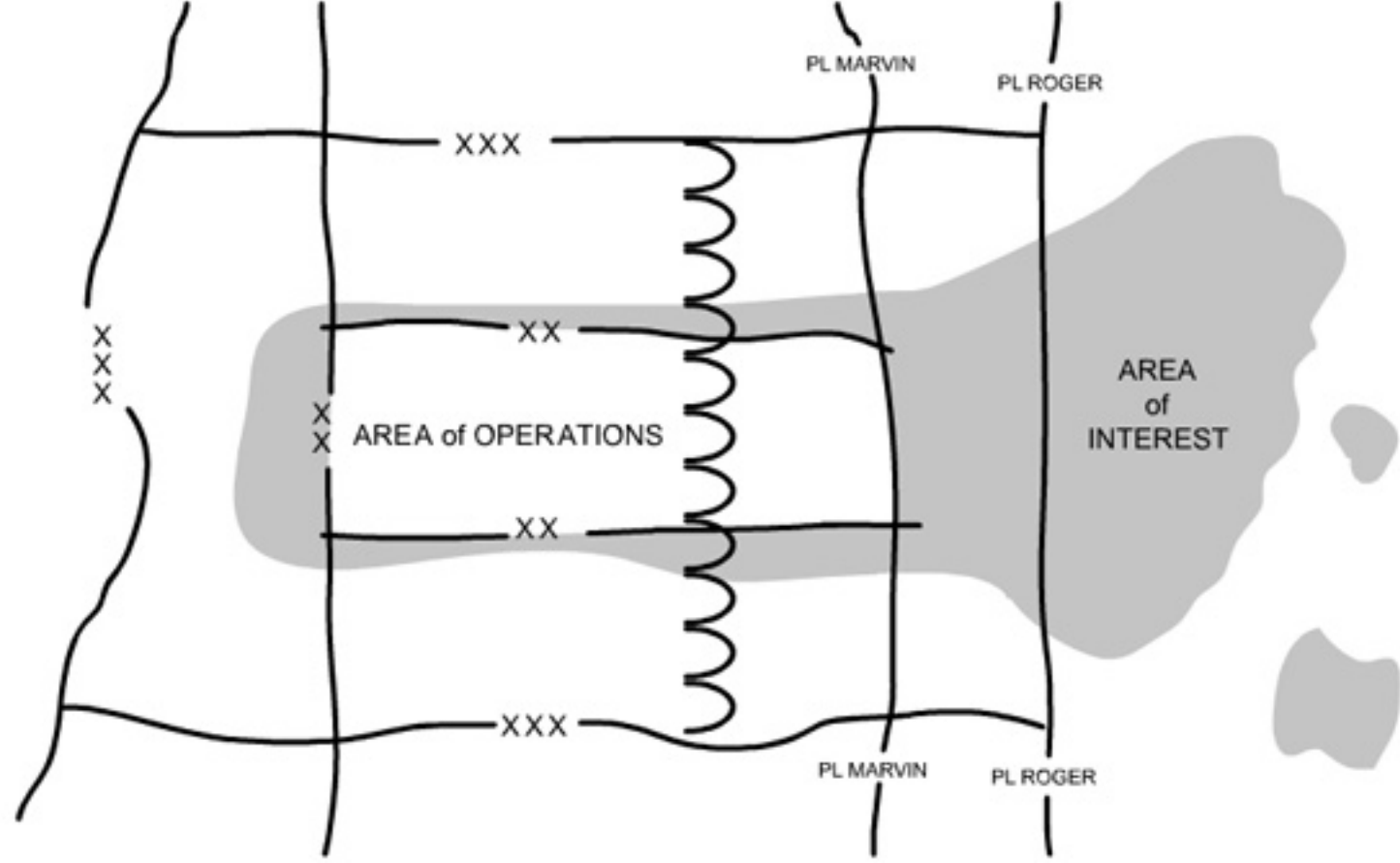
APPENDIX 1 (INTELLIGENCE ESTIMATE) to ANNEX B (INTELLIGENCE) TO OPORD 04-003 (KIMCHEE BULL)

1. MISSION. See base OPORD.
2. AREA OF OPERATIONS. See Tab A (ANALYSIS OF THE AREA OF OPERATIONS).

a. Current Weather: The Siberian high-pressure system is the main influence on weather conditions throughout the Lagodian peninsula during the early fall and into winter. The high-pressure system results in a cool, dry airflow out of the northwest.

(1) Temperature and Humidity. The AO will experience moderate air temperatures and weather patterns in September and early October with a gradual cooling in mid-October through December. Moderate to severely cold weather throughout January and February, with colder temperatures at altitude and in areas experiencing windy conditions. The mean maximum and minimum temperatures for September are 85 and 40 degrees Fahrenheit respectively. The absolute minimum temperature historically for the period was 27 degrees Fahrenheit on 15 September 1979. Humidity in the AO will be moderate, with possible periods of higher humidity in the AM

(2) Precipitation. Light rain and, in winter, snow will likely occur on 5 - 10 days per month, with total accumulation of just over one inch for rain and four to nine inches for snow (more snow will accumulate at altitude). Weather fronts move through the peninsula on a cycle that provides a four to six day gap



3. ENEMY SITUATION.

a. Disposition. See Tab A (CURRENT ENEMY SITUATION).

b. Composition.

(1) The 2nd Brigade is directly opposed by elements of three divisions from Operational Strategic Command-West (OSC-W) from the Lagodan 3^d (Force Provider) Army.

(a) OSC Disruption Zone (First echelon)

241 Infantry Brigade (Truck Mobile) (24th Division)

251 Infantry Brigade (BTR) (25th Division)

931 Field Artillery Brigade (OSC-IFC)

351 Armored Recon Battalion

28th Air Defense Brigade

(b) OSC Battle Zone

231 Mechanized Infantry Brigade (BMP-2) (23rd DIV)
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(c) OSC Support Zone

349 Tank Brigade (T-80U)
960 Parachute Infantry Brigade
355 Combat Aviation Regiment
U/I Btry, 935th MRL BDE (9A52)

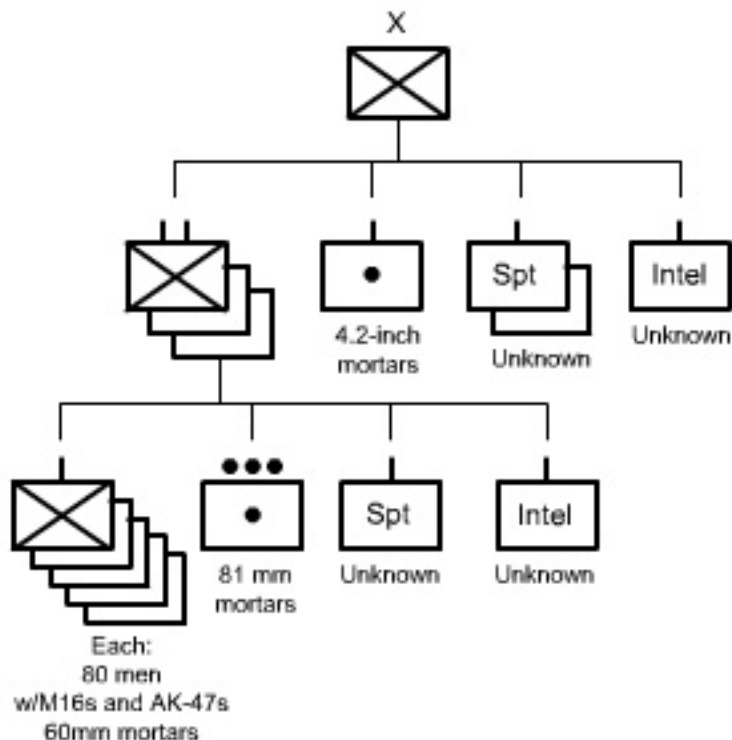
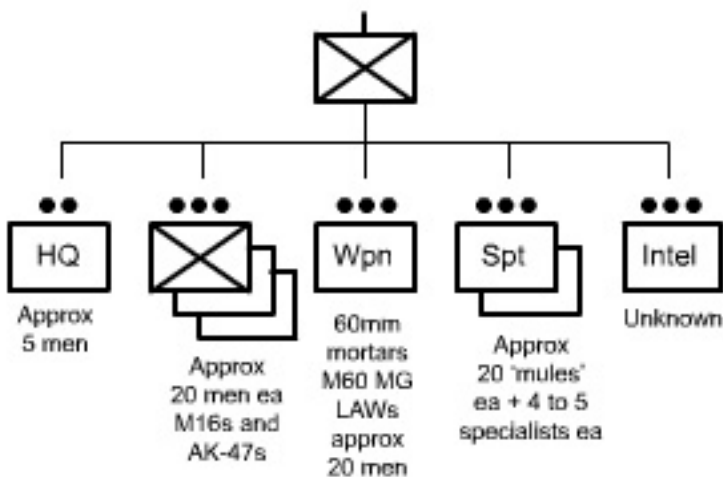
c. Strength. Brigade Tactical Groups from the 24th and 25th Divisions are between 70 and 75% strength. 931st FA Brigade is estimated at 85% strength. 23rd Division Brigades are estimated between 85-90% strength as is the 349th Tank Brigade. 960th Parachute Infantry Brigade is uncommitted and at 95% strength or better. 355th Combat Aviation Regiment is estimated at 60% strength.

4. ENEMY SITUATION.

a. Committed Forces.

INSURGENT COMPANY

NUEVO METROPOLITANO EJERCITO (NME) REGULAR INFANTRY BRIGADE



5. ENEMY CAPABILITIES.

a. Enumeration.

MOST LIKELY COA

Task: 24th and 25th Infantry Divisions will conduct an integrated maneuver defense along key avenues of approach as the OSC disruption force to inflict losses on friendly forces and deny captured BLUELAND territory while retaining the majority of combat power north of the former MDL.

Purpose: To cause politically unacceptable friendly casualties while protecting the majority of it regional combat power north of the former MDL.

Method: 24th and 25th Infantry Divisions will form strong points in complex terrain and along key avenues of approach to delay and possibly deny US movement north. Each DTG and BTG will maintain either armor, AT or Infantry forces that can maneuver to decisive points and counter attack, defend or execute complex ambushes. OSC West will augment the disruption force with long-range indirect systems, AT and ADA support. 23rd Mech Division (-) a separate tank brigade and a parachute infantry brigade comprise the OSC battle zone force but will be retained north of the MDL to contain friendly penetrations and prevent friendly movement into Lagoda proper. SPF and Commando forces will operate throughout the division rear with the primary mission being recon to identify and destroy key C2 and logistic nodes and other high pay-off targets.

6. CONCLUSIONS.

a. Effects on Intelligence Considerations. Rear operations must have an active counter reconnaissance effort to clear SPF units out of the division AO. COMINT collection against enemy units in the defense will be limited due to the enemy's use of landline communications. Collection & Jamming (C&J) platoons primary use is against SPF elements as they use long-range communications to call for fires. While Jamming opportunities against SPF forces will not likely occur, Collection and Direction Finding will assist in locating and destroying these forces. Identification and detection of long-range fire support systems is difficult since the enemy tend to not mass guns in groups larger than battery.

b. Effects of the AO on our Courses of Action. Terrain degrades offensive operations due to its canalized avenues of approach (AAs) and choke points. Light forces will be degraded due to steep terrain, particularly in center and west of AO. Numerous East-West mobility corridors connect the AAs but dissected terrain will hinder mutually supporting operations. Mech and armor units will be restricted to roads for lateral movement between mobility corridors.

c. Enemy Vulnerabilities. The infantry brigades in the 24th Division have limited mobility, which limits the enemy commander's flexibility in the center and western portions of the AOR. Once the anti-tank and tank battalions are destroyed, the infantry can be isolated and destroyed separately. Enemy will make limited use of air power in the battle zone and is not likely to conduct any CAS sorties in the disruption zone. Limited Aerial Recon forces the enemy to rely heavily on ground recon and HUMINT collectors to build their INTEL picture. The enemy has not had the time to adequately stockpile supplies, per his norms, in this current defensive posture.

Tabs:

A – Situation Templates

B – Light Data

Most dangerous COA

Task: OSC-W conducts a spoiling attack using elements of the 23rd Mech Division and possibly the 349th Separate Tank Brigade. 960th Parachute Infantry Brigade is inserted into the Division or Corps rear to seize key terrain and or destroy key targets.

Purpose: To disrupt the 2nd BDE attack, cause politically unacceptable casualties and undermine coalition and home front support for the US effort.

Method: 24th and 25th Infantry will conduct an integrated maneuver defense allowing for the slow advance of friendly forces. One Mech Infantry Brigade and possibly the 349th Tank Brigade will conduct a spoiling attack through the eastern portions of the AOR to disrupt the 34th ID (M) attack and possibly destroy up to a TF size unit. This attack will likely occur early in PHASE II of the friendly operation, probably between PLs CHUCK and KEVIN. A particularly vulnerability is up to a brigade of the 25th Infantry Division (BTR) attacking into the 34th ID (M) right flank from across the eastern division boundary. OSC-W commander could employ all or a portion of the 960th Parachute Infantry Brigade in the division or corps rear to disrupt lines of communication or destroy key systems and high pay-off targets.