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MSIAC Assesses Reachback Support to UFL 2000

Each year, the Commander in Chief United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command conducts the world's largest computer aided exercise, Ulchi Focus Lens (UFL), to prepare U.S. and Republic of Korea forces to defend the peninsula. This year, the CINC conducted an experiment during UFL to see if his command could access stateside analysts and assets to help CFC during wartime operations. He asked MSIAC to conduct an assessment of the experiment.

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MSIAC Expands Outreach Efforts

In it's role as a clearinghouse for modeling and simulation information and resources for the DoD M&S community, MSIAC is expanding its network of contacts and partners. MSIAC recently signed agreements with the Air Force's Electronic Systems Center (ESC) at Hanscom Air Force Base in Massachusetts and the Aeronautics Systems Center (ASC) and Air Force Research Laboratory at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

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MSIAC provided an independent review of the process, thus saving the CinCUNC/CFC staff from having to do it while they ran an exercise involving 60,000 troops. The evaluation focused on the process of obtaining the analytical support from the Korean Theater, and identified opportunities for exploitation as well as some areas that require more work.

During the exercise, a MSIAC analyst was deployed to CFC in Korea while others visited the organizations in the states providing the analytical support for the CINC to observe. These organizations included a Logicon facility in Arlington, the Center for Army Analysis, the Defense Threat Reduction Agency, and the Joint Warfighter Analysis Center. The findings were presented to the Joint Chiefs of Staff, J-8. U.S. Forces Korea stated that "the MSIAC reflected the highest standards of professionalism and dedication in accomplishing every task in a superb manner. As part of the CONUS to CFC Reachback effort the expertise and advice provided by the MSIAC will significantly enhance our warfighting planning capabilities."

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The ESC is the U.S. Air Force's executive agent for Simulation Based Acquisition and is an important partner in the movement to use simulation to reform how DoD buys weapons systems.

On another front, MSIAC is currently exploring an exciting effort with NASA called the Intelligent Synthesis Environment (ISE) initiative. NASA and MSIAC are working to determine the requirements and nature of the effort, but it appears MSIAC may help NASA as a bridge to the rest of the M&S community. The ISE initiative is designed to begin a national strategic research program that will fulfill or exceed the NASA Administrator's vision for next generation information technology capabilities.

The Initiative will achieve this vision by developing state-of-the-art and revolutionary IS technologies, leveraging government and university research, and feeding maturing technologies to ongoing NASA missions and activities, to industry activities, and to other government agencies. MSIAC may help develop plans to capture, integrate and share information on relevant technologies. Stay tuned for more information on this and other efforts to expand partnerships with M&S users beyond the traditional DoD M&S community. We are certain that this kind of collaboration will yield great benefits for all parties.

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