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SPACE SUPPORT TO FID

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Space support should be integrated into foreign internal defense (FID) at all stages of engagement. Space systems and personnel, for example, provide commanders with intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) support; command and control (C2) support; and position, navigation, and timing (PNT) services. Proper command relationships, normally direct liaison authorized (DIRLAUTH), should be established between in-country teams and national agencies, such as the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) and the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency. Those relationships allow in-country teams access to timely intelligence data and analysis.

Long-haul and over-the-horizon communication systems are vitally important for FID teams operating in austere locations. These teams should have access to the regional satellite communications (SATCOM) support centers for the areas in which they operate to provide them SATCOM capabilities. Similarly, DIRLAUTH, with the mission management center for blue-force tracking (BFT), allows proper management and use of BFT capabilities.

Many space capabilities and services can be shared with HN forces. Air Force FID planners should take appropriate measures to ensure that security and classification guidelines are in place and followed.

DIRLAUTH with the space air operations center (AOC)/Joint Space Operations Center (JSpOC) allows in-country FID teams access to Department of Defense (DOD) space support. The space AOC/JSpOC can also request and coordinate reachback to many non-DOD space service providers that offer non-DOD, foreign, and commercial space support. The space AOC/JSpOC provides reachback to many space-service providers that offer ISR, C2, and PNT capabilities. Depending on where the FID effort is taking place, the HN will often have better relations with foreign-service providers than the United States. In those cases, the FID team should provide the HN with information that will enable them to request services directly from sources that may not want to support US efforts.