IMPLICATIONS OF SERVICE CYBERSPACE COMPONENT COMMANDS FOR ARMY CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS

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FOREWORD

The 2018 National Defense Strategy admonishes the Department of Defense (DoD) to invest in the continued development and integration of cyber capabilities into joint military operations. In this monograph, Mr. Jeffrey Caton examines the current paradigm of how the service cyberspace component commands operate as a mixture of common joint practices and service-unique means and methods. His research was completed in September 2017; thus, it does not address the May 2018 elevation of U.S. Cyber Command (USCYBERCOM) to a unified command, or that all Air Force Cyber Command’s (AFCYBER’s) Cyber Mission Force (CMF) teams achieved full operational capability in 2018.

Mr. Caton argues that the properly balanced fusion of this somewhat dissimilar force may yield a synergy that enhances unity of effort through standardization as well as exploits the distinct strengths of each service. He notes that the Army has made great strides through efforts such as the establishment of the Cyber branch and Cyber Center of Excellence (CCoE), and he provides recommendations to build on these successes in the areas of training, doctrine, and professional development. Further, Mr. Caton asserts that great opportunities await sage leaders who embrace the enduring traditions of Landpower with a vision for how they can be improved by operations in the rapidly evolving domain of cyberspace. His work herein should inform
the ongoing activities of USCYBERCOM as well as individual service cyberspace organizations.

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A fundamental tenet of the 2015 DoD Cyber Strategy is to achieve and maintain cybersecurity by a joint team effort across the whole-of-government. Some of the key Department of Defense (DoD) members of this cyberspace team are the service component cyber commands that report to U.S. Cyber Command (USCYBERCOM). U.S. Army Cyber Command (ARCYBER) conducts cyberspace-related missions of which some are common to the other service component and others are unique. To perform efficiently and effectively as part of the joint Cyber Mission Force (CMF), it is important for Army leaders and policymakers to understand the interfaces and boundaries among the service cyberspace components. Such knowledge can help to avoid unnecessary duplication as well as provide venues for sharing lessons learned and best practices.

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operations doctrine. Next, the monograph explores the mission, organization, training, and equipping of each of the four service cyberspace components as well as the Coast Guard contributions. The third section analyzes how the service components support the USCYBERCOM mission as well as common trends and service culture influences among their operations. Finally, the author provides recommendations for DoD and Army leaders to consider for the enhancement of joint and service cyberspace operations.

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INTRODUCTION

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The acronyms used within this monograph are many and refer to complex military terms. Therefore, appendix I of this volume has been included to assist the reader in understanding and remembering which acronym pertains to which term.

DOD CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS

What is the context in which different military services approach cyberspace components internally as well as with DoD? This section explores this question in three ways. First, it presents a brief historical background of the formation and operation of USCYBERCOM. Next, it describes the doctrinal foundations of joint CO. Finally, it defines the common roles and responsibilities of a service cyberspace component command.
United States Cyber Command

USCYBERCOM plans, coordinates, integrates, synchronizes and conducts activities to: direct the operations and defense of specified Department of Defense information networks and; prepare to, and when directed, conduct full spectrum military cyberspace operations in order to enable actions in all domains, ensure US/Allied freedom of action in cyberspace and deny the same to our adversaries.²

USCYBERCOM was initially established in June 2009 and reached full operational capability in October 2010 as a sub-unified command reporting to United States Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM). The Commander, USCYBERCOM, is also dual-hatted as the Director of the National Security Agency and Chief, Central Security Service.³ In accordance with the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017, on August 18, 2017, President Donald Trump directed DoD to initiate the processes necessary to elevate USCYBERCOM to become a unified combatant command.⁴ Details regarding the implementation of this reorganization are still being developed. Thus, this monograph will limit discussion to USCYBERCOM in its roles and responsibilities prior to this change.

In his May 2017 Senate testimony, Admiral Michael Rogers, Commander, USCYBERCOM, identified his top mission priority as the defense of the DoD information network (DODIN), with the main threats being those posed by state-based cyber actors. The key elements of this defense are Cyber Protection Teams (CPTs) and the Defense Information Systems Agency as well as “the Services, NSA [National Security Agency], and the Defense Cyber Crime Center.”⁵ Also, the Joint Staff Directorate for Command, Communications, and
Computer/Cyber (JS J6) is coordinating efforts with all combatant commanders to identify “Mission Relevant Cyberspace Terrain.”

The CPTs working DODIN protection are but one part of the larger CMF, which is the main operating force for USCYBERCOM. Admiral Rogers summarizes the focus of this capability as follows:

We [USCYBERCOM] will posture the CMF to deliver effects across all phases of operations; to improve operational outcomes by increasing resilience, speed, agility, and precision; to generate operational outcomes that support DoD strategy and priorities; to create a model for successful Reserve and National Guard integration in cyberspace operations; and finally to strengthen partnerships across the government, with our allies, and with the private sector.

In addition to the CPTs, the CMF has mission forces to support and protect the nation and combatant commands in cyberspace. Cyber CMFs are comprised of Combat Mission Teams (CMTs), Combat Support Teams (CSTs), and CPTs, and they operate through Joint Force Headquarters (JFHQs). Cyber National Mission Forces are comprised of National Mission Teams (NMTs), National Support Teams (NSTs), and CPTs, and they operate as directed by the President to defend against threats to the homeland. Collectively, the MCF reached its initial operating capability on October 21, 2016, with 133 teams totaling about 5,000 individuals. Officials expect to achieve full operational capability with over 6,200 individuals by September 30, 2018.

USCYBERCOM staff and JS J6 set the pipeline training course standards for the CMF. In January 2017, the JS J6 completed the CMF Training Transition Plan
that introduces “a joint training model and addresses the Cyber Mission Force Reserve Component training demand.” As with other joint forces, training standards and readiness reporting for the CMF have been integrated into the Defense Readiness Reporting System.

**Joint Cyberspace Operations**

Joint Publication (JP) 3-12 (R), *Cyberspace Operations*, provides the overarching doctrine that describes joint cyberspace organizations and missions as well as provides guidance on the planning and execution of CO. JP 3-12 divides these operations into three broad categories: DODIN operations, offensive cyberspace operations (OCO), and defensive cyberspace operations (DCO) that is further broken into DCO-Internal Defensive Measures and DCO-Response Actions. Table 1 provides the definitions for these terms.

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<td>DoD Information Network (DODIN) operations</td>
<td>DODIN operations are actions taken to design, build, configure, secure, operate, maintain, and sustain DOD communications systems and networks in a way that creates and preserves data availability, integrity, confidentiality, as well as user/entity authentication and non-repudiation. These include proactive actions which address the entire DODIN, including configuration control and patching, IA measures and user training, physical security and secure architecture design, operation of host-based security systems and firewalls, and encryption of data. (p. II-3)</td>
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<td>Offensive Cyberspace Operations (OCO)</td>
<td>Cyberspace operations intended to project power by the application of force in or through cyberspace. (p. GL-4)</td>
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**Table 1. Joint Cyberspace Operations Doctrinal Definitions**
Since joint CO are categorized by intent, JP 3-12 also describes four types of cyberspace actions that are common to missions that require specific effects in cyberspace: cyberspace defense; cyberspace intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance; cyberspace operational preparation of the environment; and cyber-space attack. The publication also discusses how CO support the joint warfighting functions of command and control, intelligence, fires, movement and maneuver, sustainment, and protection.\textsuperscript{14} JP 3-12 also offers guidance on expanding CO to interorganizational and multinational venues.\textsuperscript{15}

To provide training, enhance proficiency, and evolve CMF and related cyber forces, USCYBERCOM conducts many different events including the annual Cyber Flag and Cyber Guard exercises. Cyber Flag is “a joint and combined military exercise focused on training and validating the CMF’s capabilities and readiness to execute all phases of conflict across defensive

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<td>Defensive Cyberspace Operations (DCO)</td>
<td>Passive and active cyberspace operations intended to preserve the ability to utilize friendly cyberspace capabilities and protect data, networks, net-centric capabilities, and other designated systems. (p. II-2)</td>
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<td>• DCO-Internal Defensive Measures (IDM)</td>
<td>Internal defensive measures are those DCO that are conducted within the DODIN. They include actively hunting for advanced internal threats as well as the internal responses to these threats. (p. II-3)</td>
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<td>• DCO-Response Actions (RA)</td>
<td>Deliberate, authorized defensive measures or activities taken outside of the defended network to protect and defend Department of Defense cyberspace capabilities or other designated systems. (p. GL-4)</td>
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*Definitions are excerpted from Joint Publication 3-12 (R).
and offensive capabilities.” The exercise allows CPTs to apply their skills against cyber opposing forces as well as provides opportunities for NMTs and CMTs to practice OCO. Cyber Guard focuses on DODIN operations and protection of critical infrastructure in a compromised cyberspace environment. Its scope has expanded over five iterations to involve state and federal government as well as allied participation. The sixth annual Cyber Guard conducted in June 2017 was co-led by USCYBERCOM, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). The exercise scenario “was developed based on [a] whole-of-nation event” and included participants from 22 countries.

Service Cyberspace Components

From its inception, USCYBERCOM was organized to leverage cyberspace components provided by the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, and Air Force. Figure 1 depicts the original concept of cyberspace command and control among USSTRATCOM, USCYBERCOM, services, combat support agencies, and combatant command joint forces. The January 2017 Memorandum of Agreement between DoD and DHS clarified the Coast Guard role for cyber operations: “For purposes of securing, operating, and defending the [DODIN], Coast Guard Cyber Command will be responsible to the direction of, and report to, the Commander, U.S. Cyber Command.” While the current version (2013) of JP 3-12 provides overarching roles and responsibilities for service chiefs, it does not provide guidance on the formation and management of their cyberspace components, nor does it provide any mention of the CMF.

**Figure 1. Cyberspace Command and Control Organizational Construct**

Service components perform several common functions; each is responsible for operating a Joint Forces Headquarters-Cyber (JFHQ-C) as well as staffing, training, and equipping various teams of the CMF.
They also have responsibilities as a cybersecurity service provider (CSSP) that relate directly to the USCYBERCOM top priority to protect DODIN:

Cybersecurity services include capabilities to implement DoD Component activities addressing vulnerability assessment and analysis; vulnerability management; malware protection; continuous monitoring; incident handling; insider threat [processes] to identify and evaluate anomalous user activity; and warning intelligence and AS&W [attack sensing and warning] to protect the DODIN.\textsuperscript{23}

To improve DODIN protection, Defense Information Systems Agency is partnering with the Army and Air Force to consolidate and standardize the equipment and software necessary for network security. The approach involves the deployment of joint regional security stacks (JRSS) to increase visibility, efficiency, and effectiveness of DODIN operations.\textsuperscript{24} Figure 2 provides details on how JFHG-DODIN, CMF teams, CSSPs, and other cybersecurity organizations interface to achieve shared situational awareness that enables cybersecurity and DCO actions. To improve the cybersecurity of materiel solutions using the defense acquisition system, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics added Enclosure 14, “Cybersecurity in the Defense Acquisition System” to its capstone guidance document for DoD acquisition (DODI 5000.02) in February 2017.\textsuperscript{25}
Having established an understanding of the context in which the four military service cyberspace components operate, let us now explore each of them in their protocol order: Army, Marine Corps, Navy, and
Air Force. This will also include a brief summary of the Coast Guard cyberspace command.

**ARMY SERVICE CYBERSPACE COMPONENT**

ARCYBER was established in October 2009 and reached full operational capability in October 2010 as the lead Army organization for CO. In 2014, ARCYBER was designated as the Army Force Component Headquarters to USSTRATCOM, and its commander was dual-hatted as Commander, 2d Army that was reactivated as the single point of contact for Army network operations. In January 2017, ARCYBER’s role as an operational-level Army force was elevated to the status of Army service component command to USSTRATCOM, with the provision that it would become the ASCC to USCYBERCOM when it becomes a unified command. At that time, the 2d Army was disestablished and its Network Enterprise Technology Command reassigned to ARCYBER. The Headquarters, Department of the Army (HQDA) General Order directing these changes also noted that:

> to ensure unity of effort, the HQDA Chief Information Officer/G-6, the HQDA Deputy Chief of Staff G-3/5/7, and the Commander, ARCYBER will maximize communications and information in the execution of their missions and functions.

To aid in this process, ARCYBER had previously established (in July 2016) a Cyber Directorate in the HQDA G-3/5/7 office to coordinate cyberspace doctrine, policy, organization, and resourcing.

Headquarters ARCYBER is currently split, based with elements at Fort Belvoir, VA, Fort Meade, MD, and Fort Gordon, GA. Groundbreaking occurred in
November 2016 for a new consolidated headquarters facility at Fort Gordon— with its first phase to be completed by 2018, the second phase to support CPT operations by 2019, and its full capability for over 2,000 personnel by 2020.³⁰ Four Army lieutenant generals have served as the commander of ARCYBER thus far: Rhett A. Hernandez (October 2010 to September 2013), Edward C. Cardon (September 2013 to October 2016), Paul M. Nakasone (October 2016), and Stephen G. Fogarty (May 2018 to present).

**Mission**

United States Army Cyber Command directs and conducts integrated electronic warfare, information and cyberspace operations as authorized, or directed, to ensure freedom of action in and through cyberspace and the information environment, and to deny the same to our adversaries.³¹

In his May 2017 Senate testimony, Nakasone stated three priorities for ARCYBER:

> Aggressively Operating and Defending Our Networks, Data, and Weapons Systems; Delivering Effects against Our Adversaries; and Designing, Building and Delivering Integrated Capabilities for the Future Fight.³²

Currently the Army assesses its network compliance and readiness to pursue these priorities using processes that measure conformity with policy, regulation, and law through various scorecards and inspections. ARCYBER worked with JFHQ-DODIN to evolve its compliance-based readiness inspections to a risk-based operational inspection that provides risk assessments for specific mission critical tasks, thus assisting commanders in resource prioritization. ARCYBER
also prioritizes its basic cybersecurity hygiene requirements based in part on the visibility achieved through the DoD Cybersecurity Scorecard process.\footnote{33}

One of the key concepts for the ARCYBER mission is the Cyber Electromagnetic Activities (CEMA) Support to Corps and Below (CSCB) program initiated in 2015 with four primary purposes:

Define what offensive and defensive cyber effects to integrate at the echelon Corps and below; Determine expeditionary Defensive Cyberspace Operations, Offensive Cyberspace Operations, Electronic Warfare, and Information Operations capability for deployed tactical forces; Leverage Combat Training Centers (CTCs) and operational deployments to inform CEMA Doctrine, Organization, Training, Materiel, Leadership and Education, Personnel, and Facilities development (DOTMLPF); and Determine the enduring CEMA environment at CTCs.\footnote{34}

CSCB has supported six rotations at Army Combat Training Centers (CTCs) since its inception, with the most recent involving the 2d Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, at the National Training Center in Fort Irwin, CA. CSCB has also supported operations at the Joint Readiness Training Center in Fort Polk, LA, as well as exercises like Operation DANGER FOCUS, a combined-arms, live-fire exercise at Fort Riley, KS. At such events, ARCYBER support may include an adversary cyber opposing force element from the 1st Information Operations Command.\footnote{35} CSCB is designed to build upon the lessons learned of these activities to refine their support methods and processes.\footnote{36}

In addition to recurring DODIN and DCO tasks, ARCYBER may also be called upon to provide specific support, which may include OCO, to combatant
commanders. ARCYBER is the designated JFHQ-C to support U.S. Central Command, U.S. Africa Command, and U.S. Northern Command. Since June 2016, the ARCYBER commander has also served as the commander of Joint Task Force (JTF) ARES, which is “a Joint cyber operational headquarters providing cyber capabilities in support of US Central Command’s counter-ISIS [Islamic State in Iraq and Syria] operations.”

USCYBERCOM directed ARCYBER in the lead role in JTF-ARES with the following goal:

Through the establishment of a JTF focused on countering ISIL [Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant] in cyberspace, USCYBERCOM will continue to create cyberspace conditions to support the dismantling of ISIL [redacted passage] in support of (ISO) United States Central Command (USCENTCOM) and to disrupt ISIL’s ability to plan and execute attacks against the United States (US) and coalition partners while posturing for follow-on global CO.

Other service components as well as the Cyber National Mission Forces also received tasks, but ARCYBER’s unique duties as JTF commander included not only the establishment, planning, and operation of the JTF, but also the following tasks:

Provide [redacted passage] C-ISR [intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance], and C-OPE [operational preparation of the environment] tactics and capability development tailored to deliver desired cyberspace effects as developed by JTF-ARES. . . Provide technical development and assurance for future capabilities. . . Develop estimate of funding required to establish and maintain JTF-ARES. . . Provide risk assessment to existing ARCYBER/JFHQ-C (Army) missions based upon force reallocation to JTF-ARES.
Organization

In his October 2016 article in Army magazine, then ARCYBER commander Lieutenant General Edward Cardon described how units with different mission focuses are necessary to conduct cyber operations properly. He summarized by stating:

Unifying operational control of all Army cyberspace forces to include appropriate signal, military intelligence and cyberspace units is critical to operating, maintaining, securing and defending the Army’s portions of the combined DoD Information Network [DODIN].

Thus, the major ARCYBER units shown in figure 3 and described in table 2 have different focuses such as network operations, information operations, and intelligence. For the CMF, ARCYBER must provide 41 total teams: 4 NMTs, 3 NSTs, 8 CMTs, 6 CSTs, and 20 CPTs. As of May 2017, 33 of the Army teams were fully capable, with the remaining 8 teams projected to reach full operational capability by the end of September 2017. Current plans also call for an additional 21 total force CPTs, 10 from the Army National Guard, and 10 from the Army Reserve by 2021.

Source: U.S. Army Cyber Command.

Figure 3. Major ARCYBER Unit Locations
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<td>Network Enterprise Technology Command (NETCOM) (Fort Huachuca, AZ)</td>
<td>NETCOM leads global operations for the Army’s portion of the DODIN, ensuring freedom of action in cyberspace while denying the same to our adversaries (p. 120).</td>
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<td>1st Information Operations (IO) Command (Fort Belvoir, VA)</td>
<td>1st Information Operations Command (Land) provides IO and Cyberspace Operations support to Army and other Military Forces through: • Deployable Support Teams • Opposing forces support • Reachback planning and analysis • Specialized training In order to support freedom of action in the information environment and to deny the same to our adversaries.</td>
<td>OCO</td>
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<td>Cyber Protection Brigade (CPB) (Fort Gordon, GA)</td>
<td>To rapidly evaluate and act in response to unexpected and dynamic cyber situations; defend the nation in response to hostile action and imminent cyber threats; conduct global cyberspace operations to deter, disrupt, and defeat our adversary’s cyberspace operations; and defend the United States through specialized cyber support missions.</td>
<td>DCO</td>
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<td>780th Military Intelligence (MI) Brigade (Fort Meade, MD)</td>
<td>The 780th Military Intelligence Brigade conducts signals intelligence and cyberspace operations to create operational effects in and through the cyberspace domain to gain and maintain freedom of action required to support the Army and Joint requirements while denying the same to our adversaries.</td>
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**Table 2. Major ARCYBER Units**

All ARCYBER activities are monitored and controlled by the Army Cyber Operations and Integration Center (ACOIC), an operational element of ARCYBER headquarters. It provides cyberspace situational awareness in part through the coordination of five regional cyber centers assigned to Europe, Southwest Asia, Pacific, Korea, and the continental United...
States. These regional cyber centers also serve as the Army CSSPs, which concentrate protection against known network threats. The Cyber Protection Brigade (CPB) uses its cyberspace maneuver force of 20 CPTs to conduct active reconnaissance and response actions for more sophisticated threats. The CPB also supports the protection of critical infrastructure of the Army as well as infrastructure administered by the Army Corps of Engineers, such as dams and hydroelectric plants.

In 2014, the Army established the Cyber branch as “a maneuver branch with the mission to conduct defensive and offensive cyberspace operations . . . the only branch designed to directly engage threats within the cyberspace domain.” In addition, to support the integration of electromagnetic spectrum (EMS) operations with cyber operations, the Army approved a phased approach to convert the Electronic Warfare (EW) occupational specialty (Functional Area [FA] 29) to the Cyber branch (FA 17), to begin in 2018. As of May 2017, the Army Cyber force (FA 17 and FA 29) stands at 2,331 Soldiers: 557 officers, 305 warrant officers, and 1,469 enlisted. However, the estimated need for a fully operational ARCYBER is over 3,800 military and civilians with core cyber skills.

There are explicit cyber career fields for officers, warrant officers, and enlisted personnel within the Cyber branch; together these comprise the core of the Army cyber force. The Cyber Operations Officer’s (17A) primary purpose is to “lead, plan, and direct both defensive and offensive cyberspace maneuvers and effects operations in and through the cyberspace domain.” The warrant officer position of Cyber Operations Technician (170A) performs as an advisor to command staffs regarding the use of CO assets and personnel and “integrates cyberspace effects into warfighting functions in
an effort to optimize combat effectiveness.” Enlisted members can perform as a Cyber Operations Specialist (17C) with duties that cover the range of CO, as well as a Cyber Network Defender (25D) with duties focused on DCO. CO may also involve several other related career fields in the areas of network operations, cryptology, signals, and intelligence. Appendix II describes position descriptions and duties.

In January 2017, the Army initiated a cyberspace-effects career program for civilians as well to add expertise to the cyber force that is not found in existing military training courses. The new career field “will unify all Cyberspace Effects civilian employees into a single cross-disciplinary model for training and management of multiple Occupational Specialties.” The program will also align Cyberspace Effects civilians with FA17 officer counterparts, thus they will be subject to the same USCYBERCOM joint training requirements.

To address the challenge of recruiting cyberspace-related personnel in a highly competitive job market, the Army is implementing direct commissioning (lateral entrance into force) aimed at skill sets such as “computer programming, mathematics, network operations, cryptology, data science, or nanotechnology.” Also, the Army will continue to leverage expertise from industry and other sectors via the total force concept. To support such efforts, the reorganization of Army Reserve Information Operations Command to Army Reserve Cyberspace Operations Group was implemented in October 2016. Army Reserve Cyberspace Operations Group current plans are to have 10 Reserve CPTs by 2021.
Training

ARCYBER conducts its CMF training in individual, collective, and mission rehearsal courses and events. In 2015, the Army proponent of CO shifted from ARCYBER to the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command with its establishment of the U.S. Army Cyber Center of Excellence (CCoE) at Fort Gordon, GA. Thus, the CCoE became “the Army’s center of gravity for institutionalizing cyberspace, to include developing the necessary doctrinal, organizational, training, and materiel activities and policies.” Moreover, the CCoE will help to evolve and integrate Army cyberspace, EW, and signal operations into joint force requirements.

For individual training focused on building core CO knowledge and competencies, the CCoE’s Army Cyber School executes programs that meet ARCYBER requirements, which include joint standards of USCYBERCOM J7. Introductory Army Cyber School courses include the Basic Officers Leader Course, the warrant officer training program with basic and advanced courses, and the enlisted Advanced Individual Training, which has its first phase as the Navy Joint Cyber Analysis Course (JCAC) at Pensacola, FL. The first CCoE classes for Cyber branch lieutenants were completed in May 2016, and in March 2017 for warrant officers and enlisted personnel. A total of 583 Cyber branch members were trained in FY 2016 and 1,200 additional students are scheduled for FY 2017.

Collective CO training utilizes ARCYBER and CCoE capabilities that provide “simulated, virtual, and real-world operational events on ranges and networks that stress individual and team capabilities.” During FY 2017, Army CMF teams were scheduled for
about 80 collective training events, including Cyber Guard and Cyber Flag as well as plans for 48 internal mission rehearsal events. These activities may involve joint, interagency, and partner nation participation, thus making such training a crucial means for building team proficiencies and preparing for actual CO missions.⁶⁷

After several years of development, Field Manual (FM) 3-12, *Cyberspace and Electronic Warfare Operations*, was released in April 2017 as an expansion of, and replacement for, FM 3-38, *Cyber Electromagnetic Activities* (February 2014). FM 3-12 strives to consolidate CO, EW, and CEMA fundamentals and guidance into one document as well as to provide a coherent paradigm of how these capabilities enable Army operations. Its definitions and discussion of CO missions are consistent with JP 3-12 and mark the starting point of broader treatise not only of EW but also on EMS operations and spectrum management. FM 3-12 also addresses the relationships CO and EW have with information operations, intelligence, space operations, and targeting. Figure 4 depicts how CO and EW missions and actions interface internal to and external to the DODIN.⁶⁸ FM 3-12 does a good job of explaining the basics of CO and EW, including how these operations are integrated into military planning processes. However, it does a very poor job of articulating the Army’s role in joint CO; it is devoid of any explicit reference to the CMF or any of its teams or the myriad responsibilities of ARCYBER as an ASCC.
Figure 4. Army Cyberspace and Electronic Warfare Operations—Missions and Actions

Equipping

ARCYBER is supporting several efforts toward the Army Network Modernization to include such efforts as JRSS migration and other upgrades, some in partnership with the Defense Information Systems Agency and the Air Force. The envisioned end state is to achieve improved “cybersecurity by collapsing networks, reducing their attack surface area, improving bandwidth and reliability, and upgrading defense capabilities.” The Army is also leveraging less conventional
expertise and resources from organizations like the U.S. Digital Service and Defense Digital Service, which facilitated the “Hack the Army” initiative in late 2016. In only 22 days, 371 registered researchers targeted Army recruiting websites and reported 118 previously unknown vulnerabilities that could result in network or data breaches.\(^2\)

A key enabler of CMF development and refinement is the acquisition of the Persistent Cyberspace Training Environment (PCTE). DoD designated the Army as the acquisition lead for PCTE as well as the Executive Agent for Cyber Training Ranges.\(^3\) PCTE will provide individual and collective training as well as mission rehearsal for joint and service applications at three levels of virtual fidelity.\(^4\) The Army Program Executive Office for Simulation, Training and Instrumentation held an Industry Day for potential PCTE vendors in November 2016, as well as one for the National Cyber Range Complex acquisition in June 2017.\(^5\)

The Army Rapid Capabilities Office is helping to equip Army CMF teams with accelerated delivery of capabilities for high-priority mission needs using prototyping of deployable hardware and software. Prototype DCO kits were used to support a May 2017 training rotation for the 2d Armored Brigade, 1st Infantry Division at the National Training Center.\(^6\) Since CMF materiel needs will continue to evolve, the CCoE is working with U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command’s Army Capabilities Integration Center to identify science and technology needs for future Army CO capabilities that touch on several areas of the CEMA concept.\(^7\) The Army may pursue some of these capabilities through the Cyber Innovation Challenge, a collaborative effort amongst ARCYBER, the CCoE, and the Assistant Secretary of the Army for
Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology. The program forms a diverse consortium of industry, academia, and government members and uses flexible acquisition methods to produce prototype equipment, often from nontraditional sources. A goal of the Cyber Innovation Challenge is to award vendor contracts only 90 days after a requirement is announced.78

MARINE CORPS SERVICE CYBERSPACE COMPONENT

U.S. Marine Corps Forces Cyberspace (MARFORCYBER) was initially established in October 2009, and reached full operational capability in 2013 with the first commander, Lieutenant General George J. Flynn, dual-hatted as Commander, Marine Corps Combat Development Command. The original plans for the new command called for approximately 800 personnel dedicated to explicit cyberspace work.79 Subsequent commanders of MARFORCYBER served as Marine major generals: Vincent Stewart (June 2013 to January 2015); Daniel O’Donohue (January 2015 to September 2015); and Loretta E. Reynolds (September 2015 to present). It is of interest to note that Stewart was selected to lead the Defense Intelligence Agency as a Lieutenant General and was nominated to become deputy commander of USCYBERCOM in June 2017.80

Headquarters MARFORCYBER is located at Fort Meade, MD, with a current authorized staff of 189 Marines and 32 civilians. Groundbreaking for a new headquarters building occurred in October 2015, with occupancy projected by December 2017. It will remain at Fort Meade and be located in the National Security Agency-East Cyber Campus complex.81
Mission

COMMARFORCYBERCOM enables full spectrum cyberspace operations, to include the planning and direction of Marine Corps Enterprise Network Operations (MCEN Ops), defensive cyberspace operations (DCO) in support of Marine Corps, Joint and Coalition Forces, and the planning and, when authorized, direction of offensive cyberspace operations (OCO) in support of Joint and Coalition Forces, in order to enable freedom of action across all warfighting domains and deny the same to adversarial forces.82

In her May 2013 Senate testimony, Reynolds discussed her top three priorities for MARFORCYBER. The top priority is “to secure, operate, and defend the Marine Corps’ portion of the [DODIN], the MCEN [Marine Corps Enterprise Network].”83 The MCEN is part of the larger Marine Corps Cyberspace Environment, which also includes tactical networks and weapons systems information elements.84 In 2015, MCEN transitioned from being contractor managed to being MARFORCYBER controlled, and efforts to improve performance and reduce vulnerability continue.85 The second priority is “to provide ready, capable cyber forces to USCYBERCOM” primarily through various CMF teams that will be discussed in the next section of this monograph. The third priority of Reynolds is “to add cyberspace warfighting expertise to the Marine Air Ground Task Force (MAGTF),” which is the core warfighting structure of the Marine Corps.86

The Marine Corps Operating Concept: How an Expeditionary Force Operates in the 21st Century was released in September 2016 to describe how the Marine Corps will operate in 2025 and beyond, as well as the capabilities required for future activities. Among the critical tasks identified for future forces is a “Broader Concept of
Combined/Information Warfare” which includes the following cyberspace-related goals:

- Keep pace with ever-changing technologies to succeed on a battlefield where the ability to conduct cyberspace operations is as important as the ability to perform command and control, maneuver, or fires.
- Continue to mature our global cyberspace operations capabilities to include employment of Cyberspace Protection Teams as maneuver elements.
- Deliver cyberspace and electronic warfare fires via a wide variety of MAGTF ground and air platforms.
- Maintain access and control of cyberspace, the electromagnetic spectrum, and space at decisive times and places to achieve MAGTF objectives.87

This operating concept emphasizes the roles and actions of information operations in the space and cyberspace domains, but does not discuss any roles of cyberspace forces as the supported effort. Further, Marine Corps Warfighting Publication 3-40.4, Marine Air-Ground Task Force Information Operations, states:

there will be operations and capabilities that blur the line between cyberspace operations and EW and may require case-by-case determination when electronic warfare and cyberspace operations are assigned separate release authorities.88

To help address such operational seams, the Marine Corps is developing the Cyberspace and Electronic Warfare Coordination Cell (CEWCC) concept “to operationalize the cyberspace domain and the electromagnetic spectrum (EMS) as interrelated maneuver spaces through which military advantage can be gained or lost.”89 Two military EW officers summed up the concept in more operational terms in a 2015 Marine Corps Gazette article: “CEWCC exists to simplify the complex
problem of maneuver in the EMS and/or cyberspace for the MAGTF commander . . . analogous to a fire support coordination center (FSCC).”  

The July 2017 MAGTF Information Environment Operations Concept of Employment presents Information Environment (IE) Operations as a combination of six operational capabilities: cyberspace, EMS, space, influences, deception, and inform. The concept leans forward to consider a future when DCO and OCO authorities may extend down to the MAGTF commander and advises:

as this occurs, there must be a command and control mechanism in place for the MIG [Marine Expeditionary Force Information Group] and MIG COC [Combat Operations Center] to plan and execute OCO as a type of MAGTF fires.  

Organization

MARFORCYBER has two major subordinate commands: Marine Corps Cyberspace Operations Group (MCCOG) and the Marine Corps Cyberspace Warfare Group (MCCYWG). Table 3 describes their missions. The MCCOG performs global network operations and MCEN defense as an operational force command apportioned to USSTRATCOM. It was established in December 2016 when it assumed the tasks of the former Marine Corps Network and Operations Security Center. To support its continuity of operations as required by the DoD, MARFORCYBER developed a plan to provide a MCCOG alternate site at the Marine Corps Information Technology Center in Kansas City, MO; the plan will be implemented as funding is made available. The MCCYWG, often referred to as the
Cyber Warfare Group, was activated in March 2016 with responsibilities to identify capability requirements as well as provide training, certifying, and sustaining readiness for CMF teams.\(^93\) Also, if tasked and authorized, the Cyber Warfare Group can conduct OCO that may include computer network exploitation as well as cyberspace intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance, and operational preparation of the environment.\(^94\)

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<th>Joint Cyberspace Mission Focus</th>
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<tr>
<td>Marine Corps Cyberpace Operations Group (MCCOG) (Marine Corps Base Quantico, VA)</td>
<td>Executes Marine Corps Department of Defense Information Network (DODIN) Operations and Marine Corps Defensive Cyberspace Operations (DCO) in order to enhance freedom of action across warfighting domains, while denying the efforts of adversaries to degrade or disrupt this advantage through cyberspace.</td>
<td>DODIN DCO</td>
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<tr>
<td>Marine Corps Cyberpace Warfare Group (MCCYWG) (Fort Meade, MD)</td>
<td>Organizes, trains, equips, provides administrative support, manages readiness of assigned forces, and recommends certification and presentation of Cyber Mission Force (CMF) Teams to U.S. Cyber Command. The MCCYWG plans and conducts full spectrum cyberspace operations as directed by COMMARFORCYBER in support of service, combatant command, joint, and coalition requirements.</td>
<td>DCO-RA OCO</td>
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*Descriptions excerpted from the official website of U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Cyberspace Command.

### Table 3. Major MARFORCYBER Units\(^95\)

MARFORCYBER contributes 13 teams to the CMF: 1 cyber NMT, 3 CMTs, 1 CST, and 8 CPTs, with 3 of the CPTs retained and oriented toward MARFORCYBER missions. As of May 2017, 9 of the 13 teams have reached full operational capability, with the remaining 4 teams expected to reach full operational capability during FY 2018.\(^96\) In 2015, the JFHQ-C MARFORCYBER reached its full operational capability assigned to support U.S. Special Operations Command planning and operation.\(^97\) Key Marine military occupational
specialties directly related to CO include the Cyber Network Operations Officer (0605), warrant officer position military occupational specialties of Cyber Network Operations Engineer (0650), and the enlisted military occupational specialties of Cyber Network Operator (0651), Cyber Network Systems Chief (0651), and Cyber Security Chief (0689). Appendix III provides duty descriptions of these positions.

Training

During his 2010 congressional testimony, Lieutenant General Flynn noted, "a typical Cyber Marine will require 2 years of classroom and on-the-job training to be proficient in cyberspace operations." Such training would include the the JCAC, the Joint Network Attack Course, and other DCO specialty courses, all followed by on-the-job training. To enhance CO proficiency and teamwork, MARFORCYBER utilizes persistent training environments that may include web-based training like that developed with the Carnegie Mellon University Software Engineering Institute. The Marine Corps also developed a cyber range in 2015 not only to train Marine cyberspace operators, but also some of those Marines who work with communications, intelligence, and operational planning. Going beyond the virtual training environment, MARFORCYBER teams also participate in training activities such as the I MEF Large Scale Exercise 2016 held at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, CA. The exercise included DCO support and advice from a U.S. Navy captain.

In October 2014, the Marine Corps released its first cyberspace doctrine, Marine Corps Interim Publication 3-401.02, *Marine Corps Cyberspace Operations*. The
document has restricted access, but the public description states that the CO doctrine addresses “how the Marine Corps is currently organized to conduct cyberspace operations, planning considerations, and emerging changes that will affect our cyberspace operations capability and capacity.” The target audience for Marine Corps Interim Publication 3-401.02 is MAGTF commanders and their staff. Their growing experience with CO will feed into a refined and enduring doctrine document in the near future. Defense industry analyst Jared Serbu noted that this initial CO doctrine reflects the current Marine view “that cyber capabilities are not treated as a specialized field, but instead are tightly integrated into Marine air-ground task forces and managed by commanders just like any other warfare tool.” Indeed, the Marine Corps vision for its future force, Expeditionary Force 21, indicates that the CEWCC concept geared toward MAGTF support is an integral part of current Marine doctrine for CO and EMS operations.

**Equipping**

MCEN modernization continues with efforts to improve its security and defense by reducing the number of potential attack nodes and hardening those that remain. Staying true to its expeditionary mission heritage, MARFORCYBER may equip its CPTs with the Deployable Mission Support System hardware and software for DCO. This allows for a smaller CPT element to operate from a forward-deployed location with reach-back technical support from its home station. The Marine’s Force Design 2025 effort includes the addition of DCO-Internal Defensive Measures companies and EW companies as elements of each MEF.
In 2015, Marine Commandant General Joseph Dunford established a cyber force whose assignment included the improvement of cyberspace capability acquisition. The result was the development of a Cyber Advisory Team under Marine Corps Systems Command that operates in two process time frames: emergency acquisitions for fielding capabilities in less than 30 days, and urgent acquisition for fielding capabilities between 30 and 180 days.\textsuperscript{107} In the summer of 2016, the Cyber Advisory Team accomplished its first emergency acquisition that leveraged off-the-shelf equipment to provide Marine CPTs with cybersecurity capabilities.\textsuperscript{108} The Marine Corps also leverages industry to provide flexible and adaptive support of its cyberspace training programs using the indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity contracting process; three such contracts worth almost $48 million were awarded in December 2016.\textsuperscript{109}

NAVY SERVICE CYBERSPACE COMPONENT

U.S. Fleet Cyber Command (FCC or FLT CYBERCOM) was established, and U.S. 10th Fleet was reconstituted in January 2010, with Vice Admiral Bernard J. McCullough III as commander of both units, sometimes identified as FCC/C10F. Headquarters for both commands were created at Fort Meade, MD, in part to utilize the infrastructure of the Naval Network Warfare Command located there. Tenth Fleet previously operated from 1941 to 1945 as the Navy lead for anti-submarine warfare; the command deactivated with the end of World War II.\textsuperscript{110} In his September 2010 congressional testimony, McCullough noted that the responsibilities of FLT CYBERCOM went beyond those of other service cyberspace components, acting as the
Navy’s “central authority for networks, cryptology, signals intelligence, information operations, cyber, electronic warfare and space in support of forces afloat and ashore.”111 As such, the commander, FLTCYBERCOM reports directly to the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO). Subsequent FCC/C10F commanders (all Vice Admiral) were: Michael S. Rogers (September 2011-April 2014); Jan E. Tighe (April 2014-July 2016); and Michael M. Gilday (July 2016-present). Rogers went directly from this command to become commander of USCYBERCOM.

With FLTCYBERCOM entrusted to maintain, defend, and operate the Navy’s networks, the Naval Information Forces Command (NAVIFOR) accomplishes the tasks of organizing, training, and equipping cyberspace forces. Until 2016, NAVIFOR was known as the Naval Information Dominance Force, which was established in 2014 with a mission that included “providing combat-ready information warfare forces, which are forward deployable, fully trained, properly manned, capably equipped, always ready, well maintained and combat sustainable.”112 To provide cyberspace expertise to the headquarters staff, in 2015 the CNO established the Navy Cybersecurity Division within the Navy N2/N6 and tasked it to oversee cybersecurity strategy and policy compliance as well as advocate for related requirements.113
Mission

The mission statement of FLTCYBERCOM is:

The mission of Fleet Cyber Command is to serve as central operational authority for networks, cryptologic/signals intelligence, information operations, cyber, electronic warfare, and space capabilities in support of forces afloat and ashore; to direct Navy cyberspace operations globally to deter and defeat aggression and to ensure freedom of action to achieve military objectives in and through cyberspace; to organize and direct Navy cryptologic operations worldwide and support information operations and space planning and operations, as directed; to execute cyber missions as directed; to direct, operate, maintain, secure, and defend the Navy’s portion of the Department of Defense Information Networks [DODIN]; to deliver integrated cyber, information operations, cryptologic, and space capabilities; to deliver a global Navy cyber common operational picture; to develop, coordinate, assess, and prioritize Navy cyber, cryptologic/signals intelligence, space, information operations, and electronic warfare requirements; to assess Navy cyber readiness; and to exercise administrative and operational control of assigned forces.\(^\text{114}\)

Whereas, the mission statement of U.S. Tenth Fleet is:

The mission of Tenth fleet is to serve as the Numbered Fleet for Fleet Cyber Command and exercise operational control of assigned Naval forces; to coordinate with other naval, coalition and Joint Task Forces to execute the full spectrum of cyber, electronic warfare, information operations and signal intelligence capabilities and missions across the cyber, electromagnetic and space domains.\(^\text{115}\)

In his May 2015 Senate testimony, Gilday identified five strategic goals for FLTCYBERCOM:
1. Operate the Networks as a Warfighting Platform.

2. Conduct Tailored Signals Intelligence.


4. Create Shared Cyber Situational Awareness.

5. Establish and mature [the] Navy’s Cyber Mission Forces.\textsuperscript{116}

These goals apply to a daunting Navy network that includes “more than 500,000 end user devices; an estimated 75,000 network devices (e.g., servers, domain controllers); and approximately 45,000 applications and systems across three security enclaves,” all within the cyberspace domain.\textsuperscript{117}

One of the most formative events for FLTCYBERCOM was Operation ROLLING TIDE, which was the response to an adversary intrusion into the Navy’s unclassified networks and command and control capabilities. Conducted from August 2013 to February 2014, Operation ROLLING TIDE was the Navy’s “first named operation launched specifically to counter cyber activity,” and it redefined how the Navy approached network defense and cyber threat response.\textsuperscript{118} This “shot-across-the-bow” in cyberspace led Navy leadership to form the aptly named Task Force Cyber Awakening (TFCA), a year-long effort to baseline Navy cybersecurity and the organizational structures that develop and support it. Organized into four task groups that examined capabilities, hardening, cybersecurity, and technical standards, the results of TFCA informed the current structure and operation of FLTCYBERCOM.\textsuperscript{119}
Organization

The scope of FLTCYBERCOM is impressive, with an operational force of 16,500 active duty, reserve component, and civilians across 24 active commands and 32 reserve commands. Table 4 lists the 18 units that reported directly to FLTCYBERCOM as of August 2017. Because of its diverse responsibilities, only about 35 percent of FLTCYBERCOM operational forces directly conduct CO missions. Operations under 10th Fleet are structured as a typical Navy Task Force that are task organized into several mission areas: network operations, network defense, information operations, fleet and theater operations, research and development, and cryptologic support.

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<tr>
<td>Naval Network Warfare Command (NETWARCOM) (Suffolk, VA)</td>
<td>Execute tactical-level command and control to direct, operate, maintain, and secure Navy communications and network systems for Department of Defense Information Networks; leverage Joint Space capabilities for Navy and Joint Operations.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Naval Communications and Telecommunications Area Master Station (NCTAMS) PAC</td>
<td>Delivers and defends responsive, resilient, and secure computer and telecommunication systems, providing information superiority for global maritime and joint forces.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Naval Satellite Operations Center (NAVSOC) (Point Magu, CA)</td>
<td>. . . responsible for managing, operating and maintaining assigned satellite systems to provide reliable satellite services to the joint warfighter in support of naval and national requirements.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Navy Cyber Defense Operations Command (NCDOC) (Suffolk, VA)</td>
<td>Execute Defensive Cyberspace Operations. Enable global power projection through proactive network defense [serves as the Navy’s CSSP].</td>
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<tr>
<td>Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) (Pensacola, FL)</td>
<td>. . . execute cyberspace operations and SIGINT tasks in support of naval and joint forces and national tasking authorities.</td>
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Table 4. Major FLTCYBERCOM Cyberspace-Related Units
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<td>NIOC Norfolk</td>
<td>. . . advances Information Operations war fighting capabilities for Naval and Joint Forces by providing operationally focused training and planning support; developing doctrine, tactics, techniques, and procedures; advocating requirements in support of future effects-based warfare; and managing functional data for Information Operations.</td>
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<tr>
<td>NIOC Texas</td>
<td>Conduct SIGINT, cyber and information operations for Fleet, Joint and National Commanders, which enhance the war fighting effectiveness of our Navy and the Nation.</td>
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<tr>
<td>NIOC Georgia</td>
<td>Deliver Information Warfare capabilities to the Fleet. Provide and deploy trained Sailors, expertise, and equipment to support Signals Intelligence and Cyberspace operations for Naval and Joint Forces.</td>
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<tr>
<td>NIOC Hawaii</td>
<td>. . . serves as the Navy’s Center for Cyber Warfare innovation. As directed by U.S. Fleet Cyber Command, NCWDG civilian and military personnel discover and exploit adversary vulnerabilities, delivering Cyber tactics and capabilities to the U.S. Navy using rapid prototyping and acquisition authority.</td>
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<tr>
<td>NIOC Colorado</td>
<td>. . . provide reliable, available and secure communications and information technology services critical to naval success in the . . . [supported] region.</td>
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<tr>
<td>NIOC Bahrain</td>
<td>Provide cryptologic services. (Full mission statement of this unit is not released to the general public.)</td>
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Table 4. Major FLTCYBERCOM Cyberspace-Related Units (cont.)

FLTCYBERCOM contributes 40 teams to the CMF: 4 NMTs, 3 NSTs, 8 CMTs, 5 CSTs, and 20 CPTs. As of April 2017, 26 of the teams were at full operational capability, with the remaining 14 projected to reach full operational capability ahead of the October 2018 target. Plans are also in place to add 298 cyber reserve
billets by October 2017 that are individually aligned to augment DCO capabilities for CPTs and JFHQ-C, as well as to support possible surge efforts. In February 2017, FLTCYBERCOM formed an interim Cyber Forward Element in Hawaii to support the maturing capabilities and capacity of its JFHQ-C that supports U.S. Pacific Command (USPACOM). This will enable command and control of not only the Navy CMF teams of the JFHQ-C, but also the three Air Force and two Army CMF teams assigned to it.  

The skill specialty areas of FLTCYBERCOM personnel match the diversity of its operational organizations. The Navy established the Information Dominance Corps in 2009 as their vehicle “to dominate the modern information-related disciplines of intelligence, cyber, networks, space, oceanography, meteorology, and electronic warfare.” Enlisted ratings within this corps that are related to CO include several in the Cryptologic Technician series: Interpretive, Maintenance, Networks, Collection, and Technical. Also included in the enlisted positions are Intelligence Specialist and Information Systems Technician. Potential CMF members also include Navy chief warrant officers in several specialty series: 781X Information Warfare Technician, 782X Information Systems Technician, 783X Intelligence Technician, and 784X Cyber. Naval officers who may lead various cyberspace activities are the 1810 Cryptologic Warfare Officer and 1840 Cyber Warfare Engineer as well as 1820 Information Professional and 1830 Intelligence Officer. Appendix IV provides job descriptions for the key Navy cyber-related personnel within the Information Dominance Corps. Despite fierce competition for cyberspace expertise and leadership among government and industry, Gilday reported in May 2017 that current reenlistment bonuses and supplemental pay
measures were effective in achieving retention goals for enlisted members and that cyberspace-related officer retention was at 93 percent.\textsuperscript{135}

**Training**

Mandatory joint certification standards inform current CMF training which is currently provided by USCYBERCOM and the National Security Agency. The Navy is working with the other services to build joint cyber training capabilities that could serve individual and team needs.\textsuperscript{136} One of the greatest Navy contributions to joint cyberspace training is its administration of the Joint Cyber Analysis Course (JCAC), which is the initial training for many joint cyberspace operators. Comprised of 10 modules that cover 25 cyber topics, JCAC “is designed to take individuals who have minimal computer experience and make them proficient in cyber-analysis within 6 months.”\textsuperscript{137} For team proficiency training and certification, FLTCYBERCOM leverages opportunities such as Cyber Flag; for example, three of its CMF teams participated in the recent Cyber Flag 17.\textsuperscript{138}

To foster continuous improvement in its information dominance forces, to include cyberspace operators, NAVIFOR established the Naval Information Warfare Development Command in 2017 “to advance the maturing of Information Warfare, including cyberspace operations, doctrine, training, Tactics, Techniques and Procedures.”\textsuperscript{139} The Naval Information Warfare Development Command and its focus on warfighting innovation have led some to liken it to be the “Top Gun” for information warfare. It uses high-intensity activities like its Composite Training Unit Exercises to certify that units are ready to operate in contested cyber environments.\textsuperscript{140} The Naval Information Warfare
Development Command reached initial operating capability in March 2017, and is projected to reach full operational capability by April 2019.\footnote{141}

**Equipping**

FLTCYBERCOM looks to the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command to acquire and sustain cyberspace-related capabilities and systems. Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command actively supports Cybersecurity Safety (CYBERSAFE), a program that emerged from TFCA efforts that concentrate on developing strict cybersecurity standards across Navy networks and platforms. In 2016, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command finalized the first eight of these standards that build upon those of the National Institute of Standards and Technology.\footnote{142}

To adapt to the dynamic cyberspace environment, the Navy’s Program Manager, Warfare 130, Information Assurance and Cyber Security Program Office was established in July 2010 with a goal “to rapidly and proactively field innovative capabilities that will keep the Navy ahead of the cyber threat.”\footnote{143} The top programs of Program Manager, Warfare 130 include cryptography and key management, network security, and cyber analytics.\footnote{144} Looking toward the future, the Navy is looking to leverage automation in the form of artificial intelligence and cognitive computing to better understand activities inside warfighting networks.\footnote{145}

**AIR FORCE SERVICE CYBERSPACE COMPONENT**

The U.S. Air Force was the first military service to fully embrace CO, forming the Air Force Cyber Command (Provisional) in September 2007.\footnote{146} In 2008, Air Force Space Command was designated as the service
lead to organize, train, and equip cyberspace forces. Air Force Cyberspace Command (AFCYBER) and 24th Air Force were established in August 2009, reached initial operating capability in January 2010, and was declared fully operational in September 2010. AFCYBER is headquartered at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland and reports to Air Force Space Command, Peterson Air Force Base, CO. Like other service cyberspace components, AFCYBER is the service CSSP and operates a JFHQ-C. Unique responsibilities of the Air Force include serving as Executive Agent for the DoD Cyber Crime Center which includes responsibility for the Defense Industrial Base (DIB) Cyber Security Activities. There have been five AFCYBER commanders, all major generals: Richard E. Webber (August 2009-April 2011); Suzanne M. Vautrinot (April 2011-June 2013); James Kevin McLaughlin (June 2013-July 2014); Burke Wilson (July 2014-July 2016); and Chris P. Weggeaman (July 2016-present). It is of interest to note that McLaughlin was selected to become deputy commander of USCYBERCOM in August 2014.

Mission

The 24th Air Force Commander also serves as the Service Cyber Component Provider to United States Cyber Command. As Air Forces Cyber (AFCYBER), its’ mission is ‘American Airmen delivering full-spectrum, global cyberspace capabilities and effects for our Service, the Joint Force, and our Nation.’ Through daily cyber tasking orders, AFCYBER directs units around the world to conduct cyberspace operations across six Lines of Effort; Build, Operate, Secure and Defend the Air Force Information Network (AFIN) and directed mission critical cyber terrain, Extend cyber capabilities to the tactical edge of the modern battlefield and Engage the adversary in support of combatant and air component commanders.
Consistent with his fellow service cyberspace component commanders, Weggeman stated in his May 2017 Senate testimony that the defense of DoD and Air Force networks is the number one mission of AFCYBER. The implementation of this mission includes AFCYBER’s role as the CSSP for the Air Force Network (AFNET) as well as for the Air Force Information Network (AFIN) portion of the DODIN. He also described three transformational initiatives that support this priority. The first is the Air Force Information Dominance Platform, which is a network architecture that improves performance and reliability as well as enhances system vulnerability management and incident response. Air Force Information Dominance Platform implementation will proceed in concert with the JRSS migration efforts led by the Defense Information Systems Agency. The second initiative is the Cyber Squadron Initiative to apply active cyber defense using Cyber Mission Defense Teams that help unit commanders mitigate risks to their critical missions. In 2014, the 50th Space Communications Squadron served as the successful vanguard of this program. The third initiative is the Cyber Resiliency of Weapons Systems, which is a program to improve cyber resiliency to existing and new weapon system acquisition and sustainment.

With regard to the support of warfighter CO, Weggeman’s Commander’s Strategic Vision stated his top strategic priorities for AFCYBER as: “Employ Multi-Domain and Integrated Cyberspace Capabilities in support of Combatant and Air Force Component Commanders.” AFCYBER operations follow a Cyber Tasking Cycle process similar to that used to generate Air Tasking Orders for air operations. The 624th Operations Center implements the process to develop Cyber Tasking Orders that task cyberspace forces.
conduct the required CO, the Air Force has seven standard cyberspace weapons systems available that are summarized in table 5. In July 2015, AFCYBER established the Cyberspace Multi-Domain Innovation Team in part to better address operations in anti-access/area denial (A2/AD) environments through the integration of CO; intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance; and EW capabilities to deliver multi-domain capabilities.154

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<th>Cyberspace Weapon System Name</th>
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<tr>
<td>Cyberspace Defense Analysis (CDA) (17XX suffix A)</td>
<td>Conducts Defensive Cyberspace Operations by monitoring, collecting, analyzing, and reporting on sensitive information released from friendly unclassified systems, such as computer networks, telephones, email, and USAF websites. (p. 8)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cyber Security and Control System (CSCS) (17XX suffix B)</td>
<td>Provide 24/7 network operations and management functions and enable key enterprise services within Air Force unclassified and classified networks... [and support] defensive operations within those Air Force networks. (p. 8)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Air Force Intranet Control (AFINC) (17XX suffix C)</td>
<td>[Serves as] the top level boundary and entry point into the Air Force Information Network (AFIN), and controls the flow of all external and interbase traffic through standard, centrally managed gateways. The AFINC weapon system consists of 16 Gateway Suites and two Integrated Management Suites. (p. 8)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cyberspace Vulnerability Assessment/Hunter (CVA/Hunt) (17XX suffix D)</td>
<td>Executes vulnerability, compliance, defense and non-technical assessments, best practice reviews, penetration testing and Hunter operations on AF and DoD networks &amp; systems. Hunter operations characterize and then eliminate threats for the purpose of mission assurance. The weapon system can perform defensive sorties world-wide via remote or on-site access. (pp. 8-9)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cyber Command and Control Mission System (C3MS) (17XX suffix E)</td>
<td>[Synchronized] other AF cyber weapon systems to produce operational level effects in support of Combatant Commanders worldwide. C3MS provides operational level Command and Control (C2) and Situational Awareness (SA) of AF cyber forces, networks and mission systems. C3MS enables the 24th Air Force Commander (24 AF/CC) to develop and disseminate cyber strategies and plans, then execute and assess these plans in support of AF and Joint warfighters. (p. 9)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Air Force Cyberspace Defense (ACD) (17XX suffix F)</td>
<td>Prevent, detect, respond to, and provide forensics of intrusions into unclassified and classified networks. This weapon system supports the AF Computer Emergency Response Team in fulfilling their responsibilities. (p. 9)</td>
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<td>Network Attack System (NAS) (17SX suffix G)</td>
<td>(Details of this system are not releasable to the general public)</td>
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*Descriptions are excerpted from U.S. Air Force, AFSC 17X Cyberspace Operations Officer, Career Field Education and Training Plan.

**Table 5. Air Force Cyberspace Weapon Systems**155

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### Organization

The major units assigned to AFCYBER are two Cyberspace Wings and one Combat Communications Group. Each wing has three operations groups, which in turn have several numbered squadrons that focus on different aspects of the overall cyberspace mission. Table 6 lists these major units as well as their mission statements.

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<th>Joint Cyberspace Mission Focus</th>
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<td>67th Cyberspace Wing</td>
<td>. . . executes a full range of cyber operations including the integrated planning and employment of military capabilities to achieve desired combat effects across the interconnected analog and digital portion of the Battlespace-Air Force Network Ops. Comprised of over 2,500 Airmen, civilians, and contractors across three Operations Groups with 31 units at 17 worldwide locations, the 67th CW employs 5 cyberspace weapon systems conducting global network operations, defensive cyberspace operations, and offensive cyberspace operations in support of Air Force, Joint Force Commander, and Combatant Commander taskings. Major subordinate units: 26th Cyberspace Operations Group 26th Cyberspace Operations Group 67th Cyberspace Operations Group (Kelly Field Annex, TX) 690th Cyberspace Operations Group (Joint Base San Antonio, TX)</td>
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<td>688th Cyberspace Wing</td>
<td>. . . executes a diverse mission set of cyberspace capability development, test, and assessment; develops and validates cyber tactics; integrates cyber into Air Force Warfare Center training events; employs cyber protection teams to defend priority Department of Defense networks and systems against priority threats; and operates the Air Force cyber and information operations formal training units. Major subordinate units: 38th Cyberspace Engineering Installation Group (Tinker Air Force Base, OK) 318th Cyberspace Operations Group (Joint Base San Antonio, TX) 688th Cyberspace Operations Group (Scott Air Force Base, IL)</td>
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<tr>
<td>5th Combat Communications Group (Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, TX)</td>
<td>Extend tactical cyberspace capabilities at the speed of need for the Joint Force and the Nation. The group’s two combat communications mission squadrons and one support squadron deploy in support of joint task force, combatant command, and Air Force flying wing operations and exercises. The 5 CCG also serves in an advisory capacity for two Air National Guard combat communications groups and Air Force Reserve Combat Communications squadrons with more than 2,500 people in subordinate squadrons located throughout the United States.</td>
<td>DCO</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>624th Operations Center (Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, TX)</td>
<td>. . . serves as the command and control element of the 24th Air Force. Its mission is to ‘Command and Control cyberspace forces: Operate, Defend, and Engage.’ The 624 OC consists of four divisions: Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance, Combat Plans, Combat Operations, and Strategy and reports directly to the 24th Air Force Commander. The 624 OC receives orders and tasks from United States Cyber Command and in turn tasks 24th Air Force subordinate units to perform a wide range of cyber missions in support of Air Force and joint force commanders.</td>
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Table 6. Major AFCYBER Units (cont.)

AFCYBER contributes 39 teams to the CMF: 4 NMTs, 2 NSTs, 8 CMTs, 5 CSTs, and 20 CPTs. As of May 2017, over 50 percent of AFCYBER teams were at full operational capability, and the remaining teams should be at the operational capability by the end of FY 2018. There are also five total force CMF teams: two Air National Guard CPTs and three Air Force Reserve CPTs. AFCYBER uses a force employment methodology of cyber force packages that allow more flexibility in employment. Thus, the 2 Air National Guard CPTs are manned by personnel from 12 Air National Guard squadrons.

The Air Force has three military personnel classifications that explicitly involve CO and thus are authorized to wear the CO badge. For officers, the cyberspace specialties are Network Operations (17DX) and Cyber.
Warfare Operations (17SX); the specialty codes include suffixes to indicate the specific cyber weapon systems they operate (see Appendix V for details). Of interest is the fact that only the 17SX suffixes include network attack systems and OCO platforms. For enlisted members, the operational specialty is Cyberspace Warfare Operations (1B4X1). There are also several other enlisted specialties that are authorized to wear the cyberspace support badge; they include Cyber Systems Operations (3D0X2), Cyber Surety (3D0X3), Computer Systems Programming (3D0X4), and Cyber Transport Systems (3D1X2). Appendix V provides the job description for the Air Force cyberspace operational and support specialties.

Training

In his 2016 Cyber Defense Review article, then-AFCYBER commander Major General Ed Wilson provided a concise summary of his command’s training process:

Today, we operate a training pipeline with Undergraduate Cyberspace Training delivered by our Air Education and Training Command (AETC), and weapons system Initial Qualification Training, which is at our user command Field Training Unit (FTU). More specialized Mission Qualification Training is conducted either at the FTU or the gaining unit, which complements the training and mission certification of our intelligence specialists inbound to our cyber units.

A critical step towards normalizing cyberspace operations is the continued incorporation of advanced concepts in technical training school, which better equips our Airmen for the challenges they face in an increasingly contested operating environment.
AFCYBER crew training is a continuous and progressive process, hence the command established a Ready Cyber Crew program to ensure operators not only maintain their DoD certification requirements but also increase their proficiency and mission effectiveness.\textsuperscript{165}

To support this process, the 328th Weapons School established the Cyber Weapons Instructor Course at Nellis Air Force Base, NV, and graduated its first class of eight cyber warfare officers in June 2012.\textsuperscript{166} The implementation of the Cyber Weapons Instructor Course is a significant step in the full integration and normalization of CO with the more traditional Air Force weapons training related to fighter and bomber aircraft. Evidence of this progress can be found in the increasing role that CO plays in capstone Air Force combat exercises, such as the recent Red Flag 17-1 at Nellis Air Force Base during January and February 2017. Since the first incorporation of a distributed virtual simulation capability in Red Flag 15-2 (March 2015), “the multi-domain exercise is evolving to include more realistic scenarios by increasing the use of cyber capabilities and other non-kinetic effects in planning and warfighting.”\textsuperscript{167}

Equipping

To support the cybersecurity and resilience of new and existing weapons systems acquisition, the Air Force established the Weapons Systems Cyber Resiliency program. The program adopts a multipronged approach to achieve mission assurance, system assurance, and resilience of Air Force operations and sustainment. The Weapons Systems Cyber Resiliency program is part of the larger Air Force Cyber Campaign
Plan, a program with two major goals: “1) to ‘bake in’ cyber resiliency into new weapon systems and 2) mitigate critical vulnerabilities in fielded weapon systems.” The Cyber Campaign Plan is administered by the Cyber Resiliency Office for Weapon Systems organization across seven lines of actions, and it addresses cyber resiliency related to critical infrastructure.\textsuperscript{169}

The AFCYBER Commander’s Strategic Vision includes a strategic priority to “Equip the Force through Rapid, Innovative Fielding of Cyber Capabilities.”\textsuperscript{170} The Air Force Life Cycle Management Center is a partner toward this goal through the Rapid Cyber Acquisition and Real Time Operations and Innovation initiatives. These programs include streamlined contract and budgeting authorities that significantly reduce the time to procure cyberspace systems. The establishment of the Cyber Proving Ground in 2016 provided further resources for Air Force engineers and acquisition personnel to aid cyberspace operators in developing and testing new systems. During 2017, the Cyber Proving Ground helped to accelerate development and fielding of cyberspace capabilities to protect the Air Force Satellite Control Network as well as to provide “two unique capabilities” to support JTF-ARES.\textsuperscript{171}

COAST GUARD SERVICE CYBERSPACE COMPONENT

The mission of the United States Coast Guard Cyber Command (CGCYBERCOM) is to identify, protect against, and counter electromagnetic threats to the maritime interests of the United States, provide cyber capabilities that foster excellence in the execution of Coast Guard operations, support DHS Cyber missions, and serve as the Service Component Command to US Cyber Command.\textsuperscript{172}
The U.S. Coast Guard’s Vision for Operating in the Cyber Domain: We will ensure the security of our cyberspace, maintain superiority over our adversaries,* and safeguard our Nation’s critical maritime infrastructure [emphasis and italics in original].

Coast Guard Cyber Command (CGCYBERCOM) was established at full operational capability in 2013 with operational responsibilities to both the DoD and DHS. In 2015, CGCYBERCOM set three strategic priorities to guide its development until 2025: Defending Cyberspace, Enabling Operations, and Protecting Infrastructure. Its operational fortes include protection of the Maritime Transportation System and the U.S. maritime critical infrastructure, both of which are vital to the economic, political, and military elements of U.S. national power. CGCYBERCOM has unique law enforcement authorities that allow it to partner well with DHS, the FBI, and other federal government entities as well as with foreign governments.

With regard to its Defending Cyberspace priority, the January 2017 Memorandum of Agreement between DoD and DHS directed that CGCYBERCOM “will adhere to DoD cybersecurity requirements, standards, and policies,” and will be responsible for Coast Guard-operated [DODIN] systems. CGCYBERCOM does not have JFHQ-C responsibilities, but it will make a contribution to the CMF. CGCYBERCOM formed an initial CPT in February 2017, which is planned to comprise 39 personnel when completed in 2019. The CPT conducted its first joint operation in May 2017 and a squad formed in August 2017 “to perform missions as part of DHS hunt and incident response teams for dotgov and dotcom incidents, including industrial control systems for national critical infrastructure.” To support the development of its cyberspace force, the Coast Guard formed the Office of Cyberspace Forces.
(CG-791) in March 2017 to lead the effort to organize, train, equip, develop operational policy, and administer programmatic operations. In May 2017, CGCYBERCOM stood up its Battle Bridge that serves as the operations center for Coast Guard CO. Located near Headquarters, Coast Guard in Washington, DC, the Battle Bridge is part of the larger and distributed Coast Guard Network Operations and Security Center (NOSC) that combines three previous network operations and defense functions into a unified force.

JOINT CYBERSPACE MISSION SUPPORT COMPARISON AND FINDINGS

Having reviewed each service cyberspace component separately, let us now examine how they collectively support common missions as well as contrast how this support may differ in certain ways. This section does not present a comprehensive analysis of all capabilities that may support CO. Rather, it provides a qualitative survey of several issues of interest to joint CO. Although CGCYBERCOM provides valuable support to warfighters, we will not address their contributions in this section, since they provide less than 1 percent of the CMF and do not operate a JFHQ-C.

With the addition of the Coast Guard’s CPT, the total active CMF stands at 134 teams. Table 7 lists the CMF contributions of each service cyberspace component broken out by team type. The mission workload is distributed equally among Army, Navy, and Air Force with each having about 30 percent of the CMF and the Marine Corps providing the other 10 percent. The number of specific teams in each service follows the same pattern of distribution. Collectively, CPTs comprise just over half of the teams in the CMF.
Table 7. Service Contributions to Cyber Mission Force

All of the services are incorporating total force elements into their CO organizations. Table 7 also lists the National Guard and Reserve teams identified by the Army and Air Force as augmentation to the CMF. Thus far, the Army’s teams are operated as separate units in one state. In contrast, some Air Force teams are built from elements of several squadrons that may be located in different states. The current Navy plan is to have 298 Reserve billets that are aligned with specific active CPTs vice being organized as separate teams. Assuming an average CPT size of 39 personnel, the Navy billets are equivalent to over 7 CTPs.

CMF teams are assigned to five types of command elements within USCYBERCOM: Headquarters Cyber National Mission Force (HQ CNMF), JFHQ-C, JFHQ-DODIN, combatant commands, and services. Table 8 presents the distribution of CMF teams to each of these areas, and figure 5 portrays these elements in a
traditional organizational hierarchy chart. Almost one-fourth of the total CMF is dedicated to protect military networks, with services retaining 24 CPTs (18 percent of the CMF) under their command for this mission and another 6 CPTs (5 percent of the CMF) commanded by JFHQ-DODIN. Headquarters CNMF located at Fort Meade, MD, controls a composite of 39 teams (29 percent of the CMF) from all services assigned to CO related to defense of the U.S. homeland. The CNMF also partners extensively with the National Security Agency, DHS, the FBI, and the intelligence community. Collectively, combatant commands have almost half of the CMF assigned to support them—20 CPTs (15 percent of the CMF) under their direct command as well as another 44 teams (33 percent of the CMF) commanded by the 4 service JFHQ-Cs. Since these forces are joint by design, they may each contain CMF teams from more than one service component. The assignment of combatant commands to JFHQ-C is as follows:

- JFHQ-C MARFORCYBER: U.S. Special Operations Command;
- JFHQ-C FLTCYBER: U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Southern Command; and,
Table 8. Command of CMF Teams in USCYBERCOM

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<th>Organization</th>
<th>CMF Teams Commanded</th>
<th>Percent of Total CMF</th>
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<tr>
<td>JFHQ-C</td>
<td>27 CMTs + 17 CSTs</td>
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<td>HQ CNMF</td>
<td>13 NMTs + 8 NSTs + 18 CPTs</td>
<td>29%</td>
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<td>Services</td>
<td>24 CPTs</td>
<td>18%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Combatant Commands</td>
<td>20 CPTs</td>
<td>15%</td>
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<tr>
<td>JFHQ-DODIN</td>
<td>6 CPTs</td>
<td>5%</td>
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Figure 5. Organizational Chart of the Leadership Arrangement for the National Security Agency, Central Security Service, and U.S. Cyber Command

The unique lexicons and operational structures that help to define different service cultures are apparent in several forms within the service cyberspace component commands. Table 9 summarizes some examples of how service-unique influences manifest in their
cyberspace components. While each service’s cyber-space doctrine is consistent with JP 3-12 tenets, different service paradigms are developed to integrate cyberspace with other activities, such as EMS operations, space operations, EW, and IO. These paradigms are usually designed to best support the service’s typical combat unit—for example, the Brigade Combat Team (BCT) for the Army or MAGTF for the Marines.

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<th>Service</th>
<th>Service DODIN Segment</th>
<th>Core Service Combat Structures</th>
<th>Cyber-related Doctrinal Paradigms</th>
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<td>Army</td>
<td>LandWar Net</td>
<td>Brigade Combat Team (BCT), Corps</td>
<td>CEMA, CSCB</td>
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<td>Marine Corps</td>
<td>MCEN</td>
<td>MAGTF</td>
<td>CEWCC</td>
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<td>Navy</td>
<td>Navy Marine Corps Internet</td>
<td>Task Force, Carrier Strike Group</td>
<td>Information Dominance</td>
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<td>Air Force</td>
<td>AFNET, AFIN</td>
<td>Fighter or Bomber Wing</td>
<td>CMIT</td>
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Table 9. Service-Unique Influences on Cyberspace Components

All services are facing challenges in recruiting and retaining qualified cyberspace troops, such as those listed in table 10. Retention tools currently in use for officers and enlisted personnel include Selective Reenlistment Bonus, Special Duty Assignment Pay, and Assignment Incentive Pay. The DoD caps Selective Reenlistment Bonus payments at $25,000, and Special Duty Assignment Pay and Assignment Incentive Pay ranged between $350 and $800 per month in FY 2015. Although these incentives may seem expensive, they can offset the costs of training new personnel. A 2017 Government Accountability Office report cited a service estimate of these costs to range from $23,000 to over $500,000 depending on how much specialized training is required.185 Another potential mitigation effort for
the CMF staffing challenge is to incorporate more civilian positions on CMF teams. A 2016 study from the Institute for Defense Analyses concluded that such a change has the potential to save as much as $130 million annually without compromising DoD standards. The study accounted for the requirement to maintain military personnel in positions that may involve direct participation in cyber hostilities. The Navy and Army would have the most to gain from this change since the Air Force and Marine Corps CMF teams already include a significant amount of civilians.¹⁸⁶

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<td>17A Cyber Operations Officer (29 Electronic Warfare)</td>
<td>170A Cyber Operations Technician</td>
<td>17C Cyber Operations Specialist</td>
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<td>25D Cyber Network Defender</td>
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<td><strong>MARINE CORPS</strong></td>
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<td>781X Information Warfare Technician</td>
<td>27XX Information Systems Technician</td>
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<td>782X Information Sys Technician</td>
<td>Cryptologic Technicians (various types)</td>
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<td>1840 Cyber Warfare Engineer</td>
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<td>Not Applicable</td>
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Table 10. Key Service Cyberspace Personnel Designations¹⁸⁷
The CMF should achieve full operational capability in FY 2018 and be ready to meet today’s needs, but what challenges might the future CMF face? The Army and Marine Corps are working together to develop the concept of Multi-Domain Battle (MDB) as “an approach for ground combat operations against a sophisticated peer enemy threat in the 2025-2040 timeframe.”\(^{188}\) MDB anticipates that future adversaries will likely “degrade key capabilities by limiting access to space, cyberspace, and the electromagnetic spectrum” as part of A2/AD operations.\(^ {189}\) Thus, MDB places greater emphasis on CO, IO, and EMS operations to help ensure synchronization capabilities that enable effective combined arms activities.\(^ {190}\) In their 2017 article in *Cyber Defense Review*, Lieutenant General Nakasone and Major Charlie Lewis argue that the defense of joint networks is a foundation of MDB, noting, “fortifying the network affords commanders opportunities in other domains by enabling mission command.”\(^ {191}\) They also explain how CO can contribute to the MDB tenet of using operations in one domain to open temporary windows of advantage in other domains. Indeed, the 2012 *Joint Operational Access Concept*, which provides a vision for the joint force to counter adversary A2/AD capabilities, states that because of this critical enabling role, “cyberspace operations likely will commence well in advance of other operations.”\(^ {192}\)

What cyberspace-related capabilities may be required to help make concepts like MDB a reality? One of the greatest limitations of using cyberspace weapons against a sophisticated adversary is that they may be effective only once before the foe corrects the vulnerability exploited by the tool.\(^ {193}\) Consequently, it would be advantageous to have an agile acquisition process to replace the cyber “rounds” as they are expended. The existing rapid acquisition of cyberspace
capabilities of each service could be enabled by the DoD test community to help ensure the effectiveness of the weapon in a controlled cyber range. The DoD cybersecurity test community includes facilities and units from all services that could support such rapid development and testing.¹⁹⁴

RECOMMENDATIONS

The four service cyberspace component commands that report to USCYBERCOM have less than a decade of development and operational experience. Considering this, their collective capabilities are impressive, and their value to joint and coalition warfighters continues to grow as the domain of cyberspace becomes more contested. To help guide the further progress of these forces, please consider the following recommendations.

Recommendation 1

The Army G-3/5/7 should fully embrace the responsibilities and opportunities related to its designation as DoD Executive Agent for Cyber Training Ranges.

In March 2016, Deputy Secretary of Defense Robert Work designated the Secretary of the Army as the DoD Executive Agent for Cyber Training Ranges, who in turn delegated the task to the Army Deputy Chief of Staff G-3/5/7.¹⁹⁵ The implementation of this activity will require close coordination with DoD components and the services to properly balance range requirements, usage, and cost efficiency. Further, this position will require cooperation and collaboration with the DoD Director, Test Resources Management Center, who was designated as the Executive Agent
for DoD Cyber Test Ranges. The interaction between the roles of these two executive agents is significant enough that the Director, Operational Test and Evaluation (DOT&E) has strongly recommended for years that there be a single Executive Agent for both sets of ranges.\textsuperscript{196}

Recommendation 2

The Army should continue to develop and implement professional development courses focused on building leaders and elite forces in the Cyber branch. The ongoing challenges to fill critical Army cyber billets may cause a reasonable myopia toward the mere recruitment, training, and retention of qualified candidates. However, as the fledgling Cyber branch continues to mature, it should do so with a holistic vision for the branch that strives to keep cyber officers and non-commissioned officers on a path that not only builds their technical prowess, but also instills the aptitudes and values common to all Army leaders. The 2013 Army Cyber Institute publication, \textit{Professionalizing the Army’s Cyber Officer Force},\textsuperscript{197} provides such a roadmap, albeit one developed before the Cyber branch was established. With regard to the cyber abilities, it may be valuable to build a course designed to create an elite set of operators through enhanced and concentrated training. This may take the form of a Cyber Leader course similar to Ranger school (tab and all) as proposed in detail in the 2014 Army Cyber Institute report, \textit{Toward a Cyber Leader Course: Not for the Weak or Faint Hearted}.\textsuperscript{198}
Recommendation 3

The DoD and the Army should implement DOT&E recommendations to pursue a more holistic approach to cybersecurity and network operations.

Based on 7 years of conducting operational cybersecurity assessments on DoD networks and weapons systems, DOT&E recommended in its FY 2016 Annual Report that “the focus of cyber defense needs to expand beyond the traditional approaches of system protection and intrusion detection to encompass a broader view of system resilience.”

DCO improvements could include less emphasis on perimeter defense and more emphasis on detecting and mitigating anomalous activity within the network, especially those indicative of advanced persistent threats. One means to enable this evolution in network defense is the use of Persistent Cyber Opposing Forces (PCO), a capability that USPACOM used during FY 2015 to identify and address mission critical vulnerabilities. The efforts of PCO teams could be further enhanced if they were part of an overarching and ongoing assessment plan, such as the Cyber Assessment Master Plan method facilitated by DOT&E. A combatant commander can use a Cyber Assessment Master Plan to identify and implement a 3-year plan to systematically identify and assess their priority missions in a contested cyberspace environment.

Recommendation 4

The DoD and the Army should continue to leverage appropriate expertise outside the military to augment their cyberspace planning, operation, and capability development.
DoD and Army leaders should recognize and accept the pragmatic reality that keeping organic cyberspace forces for the long term will remain very difficult in the competitive cyberspace market. They should continue to leverage external experience through National Guard and Reserve components as well as develop and maintain partnerships with federal and state agencies and departments to best utilize the resources available. Such collaborations may extend to allies and other international entities as appropriate. To better meet the unique cyberspace capability materiel requirements, cyberspace forces should take advantage of opportunities afforded by the Defense Innovation Initiative.\textsuperscript{202}

**Recommendation 5**

**Future updates of joint and Army cyberspace doctrine should explicitly address the missions and structures of CMF teams and JFHQ-C.**

JP 3-12 was released in February 2013 when the details of CMF composition were still being worked, so the absence of any CMF references is understandable. However, FM 3-12 was released in April 2017 at which time over 80 percent of the Army’s CMF teams had reached full operational capability, yet it did not provide any details on their structure or use for service or joint missions. Considering the stated purposes of FM 3-12 to include joint operations, the CCoE lost a great opportunity to educate Army personnel writ large on how Army CMF teams operate and how the Army JFHQ-C supports combatant command operations; these significant oversights should be made a priority to correct.
Recommendation 6

ARCYBER and the Cyber CoE should work with the other service cyberspace components and the Joint Staff to explicitly communicate and clarify how each service is integrating CO with related activities.

It is unlikely that the services will reach consensus regarding how the roles and responsibilities of cyberspace forces interface and interact with forces that perform information operations, EW, EMS management, space operations, and other similar activities. Since many CO are expected to be joint operations, it may enhance the unity of effort for organizations such as the various JFHQ-Cs if its members all understood the commonalities and differences between service-unique constructs, such as the Army CEMA and Marine Corps CEWCC. One way to enable a better understanding of the different paradigms that describe how these capabilities overlap is to develop a living document that reports and compares how each service structures this synthesis.

Recommendation 7

The Army should work deliberately to have its leaders and Soldiers understand and regard cyberspace activities as an integral part of combat operations.

The FY 2016 Annual Report of the DoD DOT&E summarizes observations from 7 years of observing the evolution of service and joint cyberspace testing and exercises. In this summary, they noted, “DOD personnel too often treat network defense as an administrative function, not a warfighting capability.” A key symptom of this problem is the incongruity with how
cyberspace activities are often waved off in DoD exercises, especially the “reluctance to permit debilitating cyber attacks.” Although the situation has improved as cyberspace forces mature in their capabilities and proficiency, willingly allowing an exercise environment that does not model the effects expected in the real world serves no one well. The DOT&E report admonished that “training in a benign environment is not acceptable in any other warfighting domain, nor should it be for cyber.”

Former ARCYBER commander Lieutenant General Edward Cardon reflected in a 2016 Cyber Defense Review article on the ongoing progress the Army is making with fully embracing the concept of cyberspace maneuver as an integral part of combined arms maneuver, perhaps even as the supported element in the future. Looking toward future Army operations, he notes:

> ultimately, before the synergy of maneuver across cyber and land domains can be achieved, cyberspace operations will need to be normalized as a regular warfighting capability, and within a commander’s vision of the battlefield.

**Recommendation 8**

The DoD and the Army should promulgate the exploration and characterization of cyberspace as well as the development of theories of CO at the tactical, operational, and strategic levels.

While the operational structure and resources dedicated to military CO have progressed at a steady pace since the establishment of USCYBERCOM, this progress has proceeded largely along existing doctrinal lines. That is to say, the analysis and characterization
of cyberspace are often forced to fit within the relatively narrow confines of paradigms based on the physical limitations of land, sea, air, space, EMS, and human cognition. One can argue that cyberspace is the only domain that is ever expanding in its virtual size and complexity and is doing so at a rate that may defy human comprehension. Given this, the DoD and the Army should implement the systematic and continuous mapping and analysis of the realm of cyberspace to provide a more realistic model of its environment and the activities that are possible within it.

This enduring exploration of cyberspace should be guided by sound theory of the human exploitation of the domain as well as the tactical, operational, and strategic implications. In turn, the results of the exploration should inform and refine these theories. Certainly, the process of such cyberspace investigation and theory development may be left to the random fortune of uncoordinated workshops, conferences, and articles (or even monographs such as this). However, given the inherent opportunities and risks that wait to be discovered, a path of purposeful ignorance does not serve the nation well.

**Recommendation 9**

The DoD and the Army should encourage open dialogue regarding the future evolution of military cyberspace missions, authorities, and organizational structures.

Even as USCYBERCOM begins its new journey as a unified combatant command—an elevation from sub-unified status that is not without controversy—some well-informed military experts assert that this may not provide sufficient authorities for future cyberspace
forces. In a 2014 *Proceedings* article, Admiral (retired) James Stavridis and Davis Weinstein examine the merits of creating a U.S. Cyber Force as “a stand-alone force [that] would eliminate both the unity-of-command problem and the interservice rivalries.” Further, they envision this new Cyber Force to “be smaller in size than the Marine Corps with comparatively low physical-fitness standards and noticeably relaxed grooming standards.” Since the current military establishment may not be ready for this rather radical proposal, a more reasonable step toward improved unity of effort in cyberspace is to establish a Joint Force Cyberspace Component commander akin to similar joint force component commanders for the land, maritime, and air domains.

**CONCLUDING REMARKS**

The first 7 years of U.S. Cyber Command operations are paved with milestones that mark the steady operationalization of modern cyberspace as the newest domain of military conflict as well as a realm of international power. The creation of the CMF and JFHQ-C are significant steps toward improving the timeliness and effectiveness of CO that directly support combatant commands and the whole-of-government responses to cyberspace threats.

This monograph shows that the current paradigm of how the service cyberspace component commands operate is a mixture of common joint practices and service-unique means and methods. If properly balanced, the operational fusion of this somewhat dissimilar force may yield a synergy that enhances unity of effort through standardization as well as exploits the distinct strengths of each service. The Army has made great
strides through efforts such as the establishment of the Cyber branch and CCoE. Yet, greater opportunities await sage leaders who can embrace the worthy traditions of Landpower while having the courage to recognize and promulgate the inevitable—and perhaps fantastic—implications for these traditions emerging from the rapidly evolving domain of cyberspace.

ENDNOTES


5. Rogers testimony to Congress, pp. 2, 4-5.
6. Statement of Vice Admiral Marshall Lytle, Director Command, Control, Communications and Computers/Cyber, Joint Staff, before the Senate Armed Services Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, U.S. Senate, First Session, 115th Congress, May 23, 2017, p. 5, available from http://www.armed-services.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/Lytle_05-23-17.pdf, accessed August 15, 2017. Lytle stated, “cyber forces, cyber defenses and cyber terrain are the three main elements that determine the Joint Force’s our (sic) ability to achieve the primary cyber missions [p. 4].” He described efforts to identify critical cyberspace terrain as:

Further improving the defensibility of cyber terrain involves systematically identifying ‘Mission Relevant Cyberspace Terrain’ and obtaining situational awareness of that terrain in support of critical missions. Executing the DoD Cyber Strategy line of effort on mission assurance, the Joint Staff led a Department-wide initiative to bring together expert planners from the cyber defense and mission assurance communities to forge and codify a new approach to identifying the key cyber terrain that underpins the Joint Force’s critical missions. This approach was vetted and refined during exercises. A formal Planning Order was sent out to all Combatant Commands last month toward that end, the culmination of 18 months of effort. (p. 5)


8. Ibid., pp. 5-7.


11. Ibid., p. 7.


14. Ibid., pp. II-4–II-12. The cyberspace action of cyberspace attack consists of actions to manipulate or deny, with deny further broken into the actions of degrade, disrupt, or destroy.

15. Ibid., pp. IV-12–IV-15.

   • Identify how the military can include cyber effects in an operation.
   • Determine if teams can identify characteristics of the terrain—either in an offensive or defensive environment, depending on the team’s mission set.
   • Find out how teams react when critical infrastructure is compromised.
   • Identify how the military can share information with partners and allies.


Regarding DoD and USCG Cyberspace Operations.

20. JP 3-12, *Cyberspace Operations*, p. III-4. The roles and responsibilities of the service chiefs are:

1. Provide appropriate administration of and support to cyberspace forces assigned or attached to combatant commanders.
2. Train and equip forces for cyberspace operations for deployment/support to combatant commanders as directed by the Secretary of Defense. Services will provide cyberspace operations capabilities for deployment/support to combatant commanders as directed by the Secretary of Defense.
3. Remain responsible for compliance with USSTRATCOM’s direction for operation and defense of the DODIN.
4. Coordinate with Commander U.S. Strategic Command to prioritize cyberspace mission requirements and force capabilities.
5. Provide users of the EMS regulatory and operational guidance in the use of radio frequencies through the authority of Army (Army Spectrum Management Office), Navy (Navy and Marine Corps Spectrum Center), and Air Force (Air Force Spectrum Management Office).


a. Safeguard Program Information Against Cyber-Attack.
   . . . b. Design for Cyber Threat Environments. . . . c. Manage Cybersecurity Impacts to Information Types and System Interfaces to the [DODIN]. . . . d. Protect the System Against Cyber Attacks From Enabling and Supporting Systems. (pp. 157-162)

26. Excerpt and image modified from DODI 8530.01, change 1, pp. 33-34.


28. Headquarters, Department of the Army, *Designation of the United States Army Cyber Command as an Army Service Component Command, Alignment of the Army’s Portion of the Department of Defense Information Network Roles and Responsibilities, Reassignment of the United States Army Network Enterprise Technology Command to Army Cyber Command, and Discontinuation of Second Army*, General Order No. 2017-07, Washington, DC: Headquarters, Department of the Army, January 18, 2017, p. 1. In this general order, the roles and responsibilities of USARCYBER are summarized as:

USARCYBER is the primary Army headquarters responsible for conducting cyberspace operations (offensive cyberspace operations, defensive cyberspace operations, and Department of Defense Information Network operations), as directed and authorized on behalf of the Commander, USSTRATCOM or the Commander, USCYBERCOM. USARCYBER organizes, trains, educates, mans, equips funds, administers, deploys, and sustains Army cyber forces to conduct cyberspace operations.
Note that even though this order uses the acronym “USARCYBER” for the command, the most commonly used acronym remains “ARCYBER” which is used throughout this monograph.


33. Ibid., p. 8. ARCYBER measures readiness in part through the CCORI which is describes as follows:

Army Cyber Command partnered with JFHQ-[DODIN] to execute the next evolution of Cybersecurity inspections under the Command Cybersecurity Operational Readiness Inspection (CCORI), to replace the Command Cyber Readiness Inspection. The CCORI moves cybersecurity inspections from a compliance-based systems inspection to a risk-based Operational Commander’s Mission focused inspection. The CCORI highlights the risks to operational missions within a Command by employing active external and internal threat actors against a Commander’s mission critical systems. The CCORI outcome provides an operational risk measurement to mission by mission critical task and a system to assist Commanders in prioritizing cybersecurity resources.
34. Ibid., p. 10.


But perhaps the most visible product of the evolution of the CSCB program has been the formation of Expeditionary Cyber Teams (ECTs), tactical force augmentation packages that bring together offensive and defensive cyber operations Soldiers, information operations planners, electronic warfare technicians and intelligence analysts. ECTs are tailorable and scalable to mission needs, to provide maneuver commanders with increased capabilities that enable dominance of the cyber, electromagnetic, and information environments on the battlefield.

36. Sandra Jontz, “Taking Cyber War to The Front Lines,” Signal online article, October 1, 2016, available from http://www.afcea.org/content/Article-taking-cyber-war-front-lines, accessed August 30, 2017. Specific focus areas for CSCB support include:

The program [CSCB] is designed to explore new approaches to integrating cyber, with each training rotation building on the successes of the last. Some key topics covered in training include:
• May 2015, 3rd BCT, 25th ID: Defending the Department of Defense Information Network (DODIN) and building offensive cyber operations capability.
• June 2015, 75th Ranger Regiment: Employing commercial off-the-shelf technology to enhance network maneuvers.
• November 2015, 1st BCT, 82nd Airborne Division: Defending against aggressive cyber attacks and strengthening cyber staffing procedures.
• January, 2nd BCT, 2nd ID: Building an enduring cyber environment at the National Training Center and advancing defensive and offensive cyber operations at a brigade level, with targeting, fires and support to
intelligence gathering, as well as disruption of adversary command and control networks.

- August, 1st ABCT, 1st ID: Adding a modular expeditionary cyber team and integrating information operations and EW alongside defensive and offensive cyber capabilities.


ISIL continues to leverage cyberspace to conduct command and control (C2), facilitate logistics and finance, produce, disseminate and distribute media, attract recruits, and plan and conduct external attacks. In turn, USCYBERCOM continues to plan and conduct cyberspace operations (CO) to counter ISIL in accordance with (IAW) Ref D based on Secretary of Defense (SecDef)-directed guidance and in coordination with (ICW) appropriate CCMDs. Through the establishment of a JTF focused on countering ISIL in cyberspace, USCYBERCOM will continue to create cyberspace conditions to support the dismantling of ISIL [redacted] in support of (ISO) United States Central Command (USCENTCOM) and to disrupt ISIL’s ability to plan and execute attacks against the United States (US) and coalition partners while posturing for follow-on global CO.

39. Ibid., pp. 32-33.


- 5th Signal Command (Theater), Wiesbaden, Germany: USEUCOM and USAFRICOM;
- 7th Signal Command (Theater), Fort Gordon, GA: joint forces;
- 311th Signal Command (Theater), Fort Shafter, HI: USPACOM; and,
- 335th Signal Command (Theater), East Point, GA: USCENTCOM and USNORTHCOM.


45. Strategic Cyberspace Operations Guide, p. 120.

47. FM 3-12, Cyberspace and Electronic Warfare Operations, Washington, DC: Headquarters, Department of the Army, April 11, 2017, p. 3-3, available from https://armypubs.army.mil/epubs/DR_pubs/DR_a/pdf/web/ARN3089_FM%203-12%20FINAL%20WEB%201.pdf, accessed August 8, 2017. ARCYBER regional cyber centers are described as follows:

The regional cyber center is the single point of contact for operational status, service provisioning, incident response, and all Army network services in its assigned theater. It coordinates directly with tactical units to provide DODIN-A services, support to DODIN operations, and when required DCO to enable mission command and the warfighting functions.

48. Nakasone testimony to Congress, pp. 4-6.


50. Nakasone testimony to Congress, pp. 2, 12.


52. Cyber Operations Officer (17A) website.


57. Ibid.


60. Nakasone testimony to Congress, pp. 8-9.

61. Cardon testimony to Congress, p. 2.


As the Army’s force modernization proponent for cyberspace operations, signal/communications networks
and information services, and electronic warfare, the CCoE integrates and develops doctrine, organization, training, materiel, leadership, personnel and facilities, and coordinates with the Army Intelligence Center of Excellence for institutional intelligence support to cyberspace operations. The CCoE ensures Army cyberspace, electronic warfare and signal operations capabilities evolve with joint force requirements and capabilities. The Cyber School lays the foundation for development of skilled cyber forces that are trained to joint standards to meet combatant commanders’ current and future force requirements.

63. Nakasone testimony to Congress, p. 9. Regarding the incorporation of joint training standards:

The CCoE focuses on individual training and has begun training key USCYBERCOM J7 pipeline courses including Cyber Common Technical Core (equivalent to Intermediate Cyber Core, CPT Core Methodologies, Cyber Operations Planner Course, and the Joint Advanced Cyber Warfare Course.

64. “Training for Cyber Soldiers” fact sheet, p. 2. The initial cyberspace training courses offered by the Army Cyber School are described as:

Newcomers to the Cyber branch will also complete resident training at the Cyber School. The first training offered was the Basic Officers Leader Course, started in August 2015. The school’s catalog is expected to expand in phases through 2017. A two-tiered, 14-week warrant officer training program is planned for May 2016, with an advanced course for those who already have significant experience in cyber fields and a basic course for those newer to the work. The first new enlisted cyber Soldiers entered the Army in October 2015 and began Advanced Individual Training in February 2016. Because cyber operates as a part of a joint force, the first 22-week phase of Advanced Individual Training will be the Navy Joint Cyber Analysis Course at Pensacola, FL. The second 22-week phase will be at Fort Gordon.

65. Nakasone testimony to Congress, p. 2.

66. Cardon testimony to Congress, p. 6. With regard to Army cyberspace training, Cardon noted:
Both ARCYBER and the Cyber CoE are developing robust
collective training methods that include both simulated,
virtual, and real-world operational events on ranges and
networks that stress individual and team capabilities.
We now require dedicated training facilities, support
infrastructure and cyberspace live fire facilities consistent
with joint range requirements at the Service and joint levels.
Permanent training environments with dedicated facilities
and resources will enable training innovations and further
growth in capability and capacity available to combatant
and Army commanders.

68. FM 3-12, *Cyberspace and Electronic Warfare Operations*.
69. Graphic from Ibid., p. 1-6.
70. Nakasone testimony to Congress, pp. 4-5.
71. Edward C. Cardon, “Maturing Cyber Capabilities Critical
to Army Future,” U.S. Army News, September 21, 2016, available
from [http://www.army.mil/article/175465](http://www.army.mil/article/175465), accessed September 13,
2017.


73. Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller)
Chief Financial Officer, *Defense Budget Overview: United States

74. Mark Pomerleau, “Army Spearheading Cyber Persistent
from [http://www.defensereports.com/training-sim/2016/08/11/army-


83. Reynolds testimony to Congress, p. 3.


**Marine Corps Cyberspace Environment (MCCE).** The Marine Corps’ portion of the DODIN and all Marine Corps acquired, procured, or provisioned information systems and the associated collecting, processing, storing, managing, and transmission of information on all classified and non-classified networks, and components of the MCISR-E, including cyber discipline.

**Marine Corps Enterprise Network (MCEN).** The MCEN is a segment of the MCCE, defined as the physical and logical information systems, PORs, applications, and networks that connect from the USMC Tier 2 boundary to the DISA Tier 1 Internet Access Point. The MCEN also includes active Marine
Corps tactical networks and networks aboard amphibious shipping.


86. Reynolds testimony to Congress, pp. 5, 7.


92. Reynolds testimony to Congress, pp. 3-5. The continuity of operations policy and planning for Marine Corps Cyber-space Operations Group (MCCOG) is required by DoD Directive 3020.26, *Department of Defense Continuity Programs*.


Key MCCYWG tasks include:
- Conduct personnel management to organize and assign individuals to work roles and place them in work centers to ensure operational readiness of CMF Teams
- Ensure all personnel are trained in accordance with USCYBERCOM Joint Cyberspace Training and Certification Standards and equipped to perform all duties and tasks outlined in the MARFORCYBER Mission Essential Task List
- Plan for and, when authorized, conduct OCO including computer network exploitation . . . , cyberspace intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance . . . and operational preparation of the environment
- Plan and conduct designated DCO in response to threats against the MCEN, supported combatant command . . . designated networks, and the Department of Defense Information Network
- Advise COMMARFORCYBER on force employment considerations
- Provide subject matter expertise for operational planning requirements

95. Table data from Ibid.

96. Reynolds testimony to Congress, p. 5.

98. Flynn testimony to Congress, p. 3.

99. O’Donohue testimony to Congress, pp. 4-5.


Doctrine for Cyberspace Operations and EMS Operations has undergone initial development and the Marine Corps are implementing a key component with the
development of the Cyber Electronic Warfare Coordination Cell (CEWCC). The CEWCC coordinates the integrated planning, execution, and assessment of cyberspace and EMS operations across the MAGTF’s operational environment to increase operational tempo and achieve military advantage. The MAGTF commander uses the CEWCC to ensure all organic and non-organic cyberspace and EMS-dependent capabilities are planned, executed, and assessed during all phases of an operation; and are incorporated into the MAGTF’s operational design, concept of operations (CONOPS), scheme of maneuver, concept of fires support, intelligence operations, as well as in appropriate detailed plans and annexes. Additionally, the CEWCC provides an enhanced MAGTF capability for planning, requesting, and coordinating non-organic ‘reach-back’ support from external agencies to include Special Technical Operations. Because this support often requires long lead times and extensive coordination with national-level agencies, MAGTFs will rely heavily upon the CEWCC during deliberate planning, inter-deployment periods, and during preparation for deployment.

105. Reynolds testimony to Congress, pp. 3-4. Reynolds summarized ongoing MCEN modernization efforts on p. 3 as:

Our priorities for improving our defenses this year include actions to flatten the Marine Corps network and improve our ability to sense the environment, harden the network through increased endpoint security, and decrease incident response time. To do this, we are aggressively seeking to consolidate legacy domains, implement a comply to connect capability and the WIN 10-operating system, and collapse regional service desks to an enterprise service desk.

106. Ibid., pp. 6-7.


108. Emily Greene, “Marine Corps Cyber Acquisition Just Got Faster,” Marine Corps Base Quantico, VA: Marine Corps


Details on the five priorities for Fleet Cyber Command are:

1. Operate the Network as a Warfighting Platform: Defend Navy networks, communications and space systems, ensure availability and, when necessary, fight through them to achieve operational objectives.

2. Conduct Tailored Signals Intelligence: Meet the evolving SIGINT needs of Navy commands, including intelligence support to cyber.

3. Deliver Warfighting Effects Through Cyberspace: Advance our effects delivery capabilities to support a full spectrum of operations, including cyber, electromagnetic maneuver, and information operations.

4. Create Shared Cyber Situational Awareness: Create a shareable cyber common operating picture that evolves to full, immediate awareness of our network and everything that happens on it.

5. Establish and mature Navy’s Cyber Mission Forces: Stand up 40 highly expert Cyber Mission Teams and plan for the sustainability of these teams over time.

117. Ibid., p. 3.

The efforts of these commands in strengthening governance and enforcing Navy-wide standards left the Navy’s unclassified network with a fundamentally hardened and more defendable architecture. Operation ROLLING TIDE revolutionized Navy network defense strategy, improved command and control, developed an expedited process for mitigating network risks, and laid the foundation for defending Navy networks against future cyber threats.


120. Gilday testimony to Congress, p. 2.


126. Mario Vulcano, “The Evolution of Corry Station (1922 – 2016),” under “Tenant Commands onboard Corry Station NASP Base,” Station HYPO, blog entry posted March


133. Gilday testimony to Congress, p. 7.

135. Gilday testimony to Congress, p. 8. Also, see appendix IV of this monograph for sources of Navy personnel information.

136. Ibid., p. 9.


139. Gilday testimony to Congress, p. 9.


The eight standards are: (1) Host Level Protection; (2) Network Firewall; (3) Network Intrusion Detection Systems and Intrusion Protection Systems; (4) Defense in Depth Functional Implementation Architecture; (5) Security Information and Event Management Implementation; (6) Information Security Continuous Monitoring; (7) Boundary Protection; and, (8) Vulnerability Scanning.


2. Develop and Empower Our Airmen and Take Care of Their Families…

3. Lead Through Teamwork and Partnerships…

4. Inculcate a Strong Warfighting Culture into Cyberspace Operations…

5. Equip the Force through Rapid, Innovative Fielding of Cyber Capabilities. (pp. 4-7)


154. Weggeman testimony to Congress, p. 10.


160. Weggeman testimony to Congress, pp. 7-8.


171. Weggeman testimony to Congress, p. 11. The mission and activities of the USAF Cyber Proving Ground (CPG) are described as:

Its [CPG] mission is to identify, enable, and accelerate the fielding of innovative, operationally relevant concepts to improve Air Force, Joint, and Coalition cyberspace operations capabilities. The CPG leverages 24th Air Force’s innovation and development capabilities and the existing cyber acquisition capabilities of Air Force Lifecycle Management Center’s Crypto and Cyber Systems Division. The CPG is a foundry which brings together cyber operators, air force acquisition and engineering professionals, and private sector vendors with potential solutions to close capability gaps. While CPG projects are small in scope and timeframe, they comprise a broad spectrum of challenges, from complex development and testing efforts, to simple technical evaluations of existing technologies.


175. MOA Regarding DoD and USCG Cyberspace Operations, p. 2. Per the MOA, the Coast Guard has specific responsibilities to DoD and DHS, which include:

The Coast Guard will adhere to DoD cybersecurity requirements, standards, and policies, and will be responsive to the direction of Commander, U.S. Cyber Command, for Coast Guard-operated [DODIN] systems and networks and for Coast Guard information systems and networks that directly affect the [DODIN] and DoD mission assurance, while complying with DHS oversight and compliance requirements for acquisition, the Federal Information Security Management Act, and financial audit reporting.


The Battle Bridge will be the center for exercising command and control of Coast Guard cyberspace operations, including coordination with Department of Defense (DoD), Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and allies to operate and defend our networks, enable Coast Guard operations and support other Coast Guard operational commanders to protect maritime critical infrastructure. From the Battle Bridge, CGCYBER will receive orders and direction from the Coast Guard commandant and U.S. Cyber Command commander, to defend Coast Guard networks and information systems as part of the .mil within DoD networks, and direct Coast Guard operations in and through cyberspace to achieve missions. This will include directing operations of the new Coast Guard Cyber Protection Team, a deployable specialized force that will maneuver inside cyberspace to defeat adversaries.

In partnership with DHS, the new CGCYBER Battle Bridge is located on the watch floor with the DHS Enterprise Security Operations Center, responsible for defending DHS Headquarters networks. This location and CGCYBER’s growing relationship with the DHS National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center positions CGCYBER as a unique bridge between DHS and DoD cyber operations.

The Battle Bridge is one element of the geographically distributed Coast Guard Network Operations and Security Center (NOSC), which conducts the operation and defense of all Coast Guard cyberspace. The NOSC combines organizational elements that conduct network operations and defense functions, specifically the CGCYBER Cyber Security Operations Center, TISCOM Enterprise Services Operations Division, and C4IT Service Center Centralized Service Desk into a unified NOSC. Network operations, treated as mission support over the past 25 years, are now understood across the joint force as operational functions.

179. The number of CMF teams in table 7 of this monograph is based on the sources cited in earlier sections that described
service cyberspace components, along with the original breakout for the CMF established in the 2014 Quadrennial Defense Review. See Department of Defense, Quadrennial Defense Review 2014, Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, March 4, 2014, pp. 14-15. The 2014 Quadrennial Defense Review called for a total of 133 cyber teams to be available by fiscal year 2019: 13 National Mission Teams (NMTs) with 8 National Support Teams (NSTs); 27 Combat Mission Teams (CMTs) with 17 Combat Support Teams (CSTs); 18 National Cyber Protection Teams (CPTs); 24 service CPTs; and 26 combatant command and DoD information network (DODIN) CPTs.

180. Hanson, “24 AF/JFHQ-Cyber/AFCYBER Warfighter Perspective.”


The IDA CMF staffing analysis concluded that a more civilian-intensive force mix could save the DoD approximately $130 million dollars annually while maintaining compliance with DoDI 1100.22.

A central element of IDA’s methodology was determining what positions involve direct participation in cyber hostilities, which are deemed military essential. Criteria involving the intention to cause harm and the existence of a causal link between the actions of a billet holder and the infliction of damage were used. Upon this determination, the IDA research team developed an alternative force mix that satisfied the staffing criteria as economically as possible. The researchers calculated the full costs of military, government civilian, and contractor personnel for each Service’s current force mix and the IDA alternative. (p. 2)


190. Ibid., pp. 3-4. The MDB information paper provides a context for the importance of CO:

Multi-Domain Battle evolves combined arms methodology to include not only those capabilities of the physical domains, but also greater emphasis on space, cyberspace, and other contested areas such as the electromagnetic spectrum, the information environment, and the cognitive dimension of warfare. In executing this concept, air, ground and maritime forces project power from air, land, and sea into other domains and contested spaces to support U.S. freedom of action. Thus, U.S. forces strive to affect an adversary in both the physical and abstract domains creating dilemmas too numerous to counter. (p. 4)


196. DOT&E, FY 2016 Annual Report, pp. 442, 444, 446. The report cautions against creating two separate Executive Agents for cyberspace testing and cyberspace training:

The FY15 NDAA [National Defense Authorization Act] directed DOD to establish an Executive Agent for cyber training ranges and an Executive Agent for cyber testing ranges. In FY16, the DOD allocated funds separately for a Persistent Training Environment, and for cyber test ranges. As combined testing and training are necessary for efficient use of the ranges, and to help address the rapidly increasing demand for cyber range resources, the creation of two separate Executive Agents—with separate responsibilities and funding—may hinder the Department’s ability to effectively respond to rapidly evolving and increasingly sophisticated cyber threats. The DoD should designate a single Executive Agent for cyber ranges with the authority to oversee funding and personnel for all DoD-funded ranges, and the authority to identify and certify commercial cyber range resources for DoD use, as appropriate. (p. 446)


In FY15, U.S. Pacific Command (USPACOM) leadership approved year-round activities of a Persistent Cyber OPFOR [opposing forces] (PCO) in order to portray a more realistic cyber adversary in training and assessment events, and make the most efficient use of scarce Red Team personnel. The PCO employs DOD-certified Red Teams in longer-duration activities to be more representative of enduring threat actors than can be portrayed in a brief exercise period. This PCO has already helped USPACOM find and remediate mission-critical vulnerabilities that might have otherwise gone undetected.


204. Ibid., p. 446.


As stated, traditional military theory applied to cyber conflict with four challenges: anonymity, object permanence, measurable results, and rapid execution. In a Westphalian and Clausewitzian geopolitical world these challenges were non-existent. The lack of object permanence nullifies maneuver, which until now has been essential in military strategy, and it replaces object permanence with a rapidly evolving kaleidoscope of nodes and bits. The massive anonymity in digital interchanges removes the ability to clearly understand who is your enemy, and based on that assessment gauge their abilities. Finally, with no measurement of effectiveness a fighting nation is unaware of the actual impact of the interchanges in tactical time frames and the rapid execution is likely to create a battle of which only the machines are fully aware. These four unique cyber tenets evaporate the opportunity to use traditional military thinking in cyber. If traditional military thinking is utilized to formulate a strategy, it is likely that the result would aggregate spurious assumptions and remove the opportunity for decisive offensive cyber operations as a geopolitical toolset. (p. 125)

Pursue development of cyberspace theory which incorporates cognitive sciences and philosophy, and is independent of current operational requirements. In layman’s terms: while we’re busy trying to keep the alligators at bay, let’s have someone focus on trying to drain the swamp. (p. 126)

Develop a comprehensive and accepted definition of cyberspace and theory of cyber power including all aspects of sovereignty, security, and offensive cyberspace operations. (p. 127)

Theory – where is it that we can make a unique contribution? Since most of the other issues listed are being worked on by other organizations, theory is where we could make a unique contribution. Right now, however, it’s an area that is being pursued by only a very few. (p. 129)


## APPENDIX I

### ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

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<td>Field Manual</td>
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<td>fire support coordination center</td>
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<td>fiscal year</td>
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<td>Headquarters, Department of Army</td>
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Military Intelligence Officers specialize in these specific areas:

- Imagery intelligence: Collection and analysis of imagery using photogrammetry and terrain analysis.
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- Counterintelligence: Provides coordination and participation in counterintelligence investigations, operations and production.
- Human intelligence: Controlled collection operations and interviews.
- Signals intelligence/electronic warfare: Collects signal intelligence and engages in electronic warfare.
- All-source intelligence aviator: Performs duties as an aviator/MI officer and participates in special electronic mission aircraft missions.

Job Duties:
- Command and coordinate the military intelligence Soldiers and combined armed forces.
- Assess risks associated with friendly/enemy courses of action and act to counter/neutralize intelligence threats.
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<td>Performs as the Subject Matter Expert and advisor to the Commander and staff regarding the employment of offensive and defensive cyber operations assets and personnel. Directs plans, administers, manages, integrates, and assesses cyberspace operations. Develops policy recommendations and provides technical guidance regarding the operation and management of Army, Joint, intergovernmental, interagency, and multi-national cyberspace assets and personnel. Integrates cyberspace effects into warfighting functions in an effort to optimize combat effectiveness. Protects the Department of Defense Information Network against foreign and domestic threat vectors in order to maintain network integrity and functionality. Leads, trains, and mentors Cyber personnel through individual and group instruction, as well as the establishment, direction, and evaluation of Standard Operating Procedures and Job Qualification Standards.</td>
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<td><strong>255A - Information Services Technician</strong></td>
<td>Information Services Technicians establish and maintain the ability to collect, process, store, secure, search for and discover, retrieve and disseminate information utilizing the application layer environment of the Army’s portion of the Cyberspace domain; they enable information dissemination management/content staging in order to perform the required information management/knowledge management functions supporting combat information superiority and decision dominance. They supervise and manage the systems, services and personnel in operation centers that ensure efficient and effective caching, compiling, cataloging, retrieval and distribution of information as an element of combat power. Information services technicians plan, install, administer, manage, maintain, operate, integrate, service, secure and troubleshoot information systems and services to include Mission command systems and various automation information systems enabling voice, video, data and imagery processing. They manage the training of personnel on the planning, installation, administration, management, maintenance, operation, integration, servicing, securing and troubleshooting of information systems and services.</td>
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<td><strong>255N - Network Management Technician</strong></td>
<td>Network Management Technicians transport the voice, video and data networks establishing and maintaining the transport layer environment of Army’s portion of the Cyberspace domain through network management/enterprise systems management (NM/ESM) functions to include fault management, configuration management, auditing and accountability measures, maintaining performance standards, and implementing security measures at all levels in support of combat information superiority and command and control. They supervise and manage the operation and internetworking of telecommunications networks, network systems equipment, network nodal transmission and transport systems, network management system platforms, networked information systems and associated personnel at both the local area and wide area network level. They plan, install, administer, manage, maintain, integrate, operate, service, secure, optimize and troubleshoot communications networks and networked systems connectivity and capacity in order to transmit information as an element of combat power. They supervise and oversee network security planning and the implementation and use of electronic keys and frequency management to support communications networks and networked-systems. They manage the training of personnel on the planning, installation, administration, management, maintenance, integration, operation, servicing, securing, optimization and troubleshooting of communications networks and networked-systems.</td>
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Table II-I. Position Title and Description of Key Army Cyber-Related Personnel (cont.)
# ARMY WARRANT OFFICER PERSONNEL

## 290A - Electronic Warfare Technician
The electronic warfare specialist advises and assists the commander on electronic warfare operations. This person makes use of electromagnetic and directed energy to control the electromagnetic spectrum (EMS) and defeat the enemy through planning, coordination, integration, and execution of electronic attack (EA), electronic protection (EP), and electronic support (ES).

## 352N - SIGINT Analysis Technician
Manages personnel and equipment to collect, process, exploit, locate, identify, analyze and report on SIGINT [signals intelligence] information to support tactical, operational, and strategic requirements across all domains. Establishes priorities and provides guidance and oversight for collection, exploitation, analysis and reporting missions. Manages training for subordinates and peers on technical, operational, and tactical SIGINT skills required to perform the mission. Coordinates staff actions to fulfill all requirements in support of SIGINT mission activities and the Commander’s intent. Advises the commander and staff with regard to tactical and technical SIGINT operations, activities, and personnel.

## 352S - Signals Collection Technician
Performs as the Subject Matter Expert (SME) and advisor to the Commander in regards to Signals Intelligence (SIGINT) collection, analysis. Manages personnel and equipment to collect, process, locate, identify, analyze and report on SIGINT information to support tactical, operational, and strategic requirements across all domains. Manages training for subordinates and peers on technical, operational, and tactical SIGINT skills required to perform the mission. Coordinates staff actions to fulfill all requirements in support of SIGINT mission activities and the Commander’s intent.

# ARMY ENLISTED PERSONNEL

## 17C - Cyber Operations Specialist
Cyber Operations Specialists conduct integrated and synchronized offensive cyber-space operations by targeting enemy and hostile adversary activities and capabilities. These specialists also conduct defensive operations to protect data, networks, net-centric capabilities, and other designated systems. They are responsible for detecting, identifying, and responding to attacks against friendly networks with other lethal and nonlethal actions that enable commanders to gain an advantage in cyber-space, across all domains.

## 25D - Cyber Network Defender
The cyber network defender performs specialized computer network defense duties, including infrastructure support, incident response, auditing and managing. The cyber network defender also protects against and detects unauthorized activity in the cyberspace domain and uses a variety of tools to analyze and respond to attacks.

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<td>Signal support systems specialists are primarily responsible for working with battlefield signal support systems and terminal devices. This equipment needs to consistently work in order for the Army to direct the movement of its troops.</td>
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<td><strong>35N - Signals Intelligence Analyst</strong></td>
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<td>A signals intelligence analyst examines foreign communications/activity and relays that information by producing combat, strategic and tactical intelligence reports.</td>
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<td><strong>35P - Cryptology Linguist</strong></td>
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<td>A cryptologic linguist is primarily responsible for identifying foreign communications using signals equipment. Their role is crucial as the nation’s defense depends largely on information that comes from foreign languages.</td>
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<td><strong>35Q - Cryptologic Network Specialist</strong></td>
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<td>A Cryptologic Network Warfare Specialist performs initial cryptologic digital analysis to establish target identification and operational patterns; identifies, reports, and maintains Intelligence information in support of Commander’s Intelligence Requirements and uses technical references to analyze information.</td>
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<td><strong>35S - Signals Collection Analyst</strong></td>
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<td>The signals collector/analyst is primarily responsible for the detection, acquisition, location and identification of foreign electronic intelligence. They exploit nonvoice communications and other electronic signals to provide strategic/tactical intelligence.</td>
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<td>The Cyber Network Operations Officer develops, plans, and implements the overall tactical and strategic goals of the MAGTF [Marine Air Ground Task Force] computer network systems. Evaluates and recommends changes to current and future network requirements to meet the operational needs. They are responsible for the implementation of IA, CND, and NetOps in support of cyber operations. The duties include: providing technical and administrative support to the commander and higher headquarters staff during the identification, resolution, and tracking of computer security incidents or events; provide long-term and near-term CND analysis and planning for resolving systemic and enterprise computer events and/or intrusions across the MAGTF networks; and develop, research, publish, test and update related SOPS methodologies, and tools, techniques and procedures. They provide liaison to the T/S-3 within the MAGTF to synchronize the activities among CND [Computer Network Defense], CNO [Computer Network Operations], CNE [Computer Network Exploitation], and CNA [Computer Network Attack].</td>
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<td>Cyber Network Operations Engineer Officers supervise and manage the security, planning, and operation of Information Technology (IT) Systems. With a primary focus in the functional areas of Internet Protocol based Local and Wide Area Networks, they plan and supervise the installation and management of IT systems. They provide technical direction in conjunction with the overall communications control effort relating to the security, installation and performance of IT systems within MAGTF, Joint, and coalition networks. Additionally, they provide technical guidance required to procure and integrate enterprise IT systems in the development of Marine Corps plans and policy for current and future operations.</td>
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<td><strong>0651 - Cyber Network Operator</strong></td>
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<td>Cyber Network Operators are responsible for the installation, configuring and management of cyber network systems in both standalone and client-server environments including Microsoft based curriculum and MS Exchange/Server, CISCO Certified Network Associate (CCNA) modules 1-4 as well as other authorized cyber network systems. They install, configure and maintain cyber services, both hardware and software. They also plan and execute the integration of multiple information systems to include Data Distribution System-Replacement/Modular (DDS-M), in a network environment, evaluate and resolve customer information system problems and effect hardware upgrades and repair to maintain mission capability. Skill progression for Staff Sergeant through Corporal is the Cyber Network Supervisor Course.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>0659 - Cyber Network Systems Chief</strong></td>
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<td>Cyber Network Systems Chiefs perform advanced systems installation, operation, integration and troubleshooting in order to maintain optimum secure cyber communication systems. They plan and supervise the installation, configuration and maintenance of all cyber communication systems and network services in both a garrison and deployment environment. Cyber Network Systems Chiefs plan and design local and wide area networks and link heterogeneous networks through the application of appropriate cyber and telecommunication hardware and software. Skill progression training for Gunnery Sergeants and Staff Sergeants is the Cyber Systems Chief Course.</td>
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**Table III-I. Position Title and Description of Key Marine Corps Cyber-Related Personnel (cont.)**
MARINE CORP ENLISTED PERSONNEL

**0681 - Information Security Technician**

Provide day-to-day operation of the DoN’s [Department of the Navy] COMSEC Material Control System (CMCS). The duties include: coordinate for the provisioning of symmetric and asymmetric key products to support C4 and C2 systems while working in collaboration with communications planners for the development of communications instructions and support for elements of the Marine Air Ground Task Force (MAGTF) or other authorized elements requiring authorized support, provide information regarding new or revised COMSEC policies and procedures and their impact on the command, train and inspect COMSEC users within the command, monitors and maintains the command COMSEC material allowances, performs spot checks of users to assess adherence to prescribed instructions. Also may serve as a Central Office of Record (COR) Auditor for COMSEC account inspections. Entry-level input to this MOS may be from any MOS at the grade of Staff Sergeant.

**0689 - Cyber Security Chief**

Cyber Security Chiefs are responsible for all aspects of ensuring Marine Corps information systems data availability, integrity authentication, confidentiality, and non-repudiation. Computer network defense specialists implement and monitor security measures for USMC communication information systems networks, and advise the commander that systems and personnel adhere to established security standards and governmental requirements for security on these systems. Duties include assisting in the development and execution of security policies, plans, and procedures; design and implementation of data network security measures; network intrusion detections and forensics; information system security incident handling; and certification of Marine Corps systems and networks. The skill progression training for Master Gunnery Sergeant through Staff Sergeant is the Information Assurance Managers Course (IAM) and Cyber Security Chiefs Course.

Table III-I. Position Title and Description of Key Marine Corps Cyber-Related Personnel (cont.)
### APPENDIX IV: KEY NAVY CYBER-RELATED PERSONNEL

#### NAVY OFFICER PERSONNEL

1810 - Cryptologic Warfare

... directly involved in every aspect of Naval operations—delivering information to decision-makers by attacking, defending and exploiting networks to capitalize on vulnerabilities in the information domain. As a CWO [Cryptologic Warfare Officer], you will employ a thorough understanding of sensors and weapons, strategy and tactics, as well as national systems' capabilities and limitations.

1820 - Information Professional

... plan, acquire, secure, operate and maintain the Naval network and the systems that support Navy operations and business processes.

1830 - Intelligence

Supervise the collection, analysis and dissemination of critical information. ... Provide intelligence support to US Naval forces and multinational military forces. ... Advise executive-level decision makers in US government. ... Lead Enlisted personnel in gathering and analyzing mission-sensitive intelligence.

1840 - Cyber Warfare Engineer

Provide defense against attacks and deliver tactical advantages. Develop tools and techniques in the information environment that ensure situational awareness.

#### NAVY CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER PERSONNEL

781X (744X) - Information Warfare Technician

... serve as officer technical leaders and managers in the field of cryptology, versed in all facets of Signals Intelligence, Computer Network Operations and Electronic Warfare. Perform functions of electronic maintenance, communications, CMS [Combat Management System], and technical research in support of the operating forces and the national cryptologic effort. They plan and manage the employment of resources, equipment and manpower; operation and maintenance of electrical, electromechanical equipment and the conduct of communications, administration of CMS functions.

782X (742X) - Information Systems Technician

... serve as an officer technical specialist in the field of informations [sic] systems, communications (fixed/mobile) suites, satellite communications systems, knowledge management and information assurance. They plan and direct the installation of equipment and administer the operations and maintenance of data processing installations.

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**Table IV-I. Position Title and Description of Key Navy Cyber-Related Personnel**

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**NAVY CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER PERSONNEL**

**783X (745X) - Intelligence Technician**

Serve as an officer technical specialist in the following intelligence discipline: Human Intelligence (HUMINT), Operational Intelligence (OPINTEL), and Carrier Air Wing (CVW) Targeting. They supervise and direct intelligence personnel in assembling and analyzing HUMINT reports, multi-source OPINTEL of surface, sub-surface, and air activity and CVW strike missions in support of intelligence analysis, reporting, and briefing. Intelligence CWOs [chief warrant officers] supervise and direct intelligence personnel in the following: interviewing and preparation of various HUMINT reports; preparation of intelligence material utilized in planning strike and photographic reconnaissance missions; preparation of graphics including annotated photographs, plot sheets, mosaics and overlays; plotting and preparing multi-sensory imagery and OPINTEL reports; providing input to and receiving data from various computerized intelligence systems afloat and ashore; and maintenance of intelligence files including digital photographs, maps, and charts and soft/hard copy libraries.

784X - Cyber

... operate, analyze, plan and direct full-spectrum cyber operations.

**NAVY ENLISTED PERSONNEL**

**Cryptologic Technician Interpretive (CTI)**

CTIs serve as experts in linguistics (including Arabic, Chinese, Korean, Persian-Farsi, Russian and Spanish) and deciphering information in other languages. Their responsibilities include:

- Collecting, analyzing and exploiting foreign language communications of interest
- Transcribing, translating and interpreting foreign language materials
- Providing cultural and regional guidance in support of Navy, Joint Force, national and multinational needs.

**Cryptologic Technician Maintenance (CTM)**

CTMs serve as experts in the preventive and corrective maintenance of sophisticated cryptologic equipment, networks and systems. Their responsibilities include:

- Installing, testing, troubleshooting, repairing or replacing cryptologic networks, physical security systems, electronic equipment, antennas, personal computers, auxiliary equipment, digital and optical interfaces, and data systems
- Configuring, monitoring and evaluating Information Operations (IO), Information Warfare (IW) systems and Information Assurance (IA) operations.

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| Cryptologic Technician Networks (CTN) | CTNs serve as experts in communication network defense and forensics. Their responsibilities include:  
- Monitoring, identifying, collecting and analyzing information  
- Providing computer network risk mitigation and network vulnerability assessments and incident response/reconstruction  
- Providing network target access tool development  
- Conducting computer network operations worldwide in support of Navy and Department of Defense missions. |
| Cryptologic Technician Collection (CTR) | CTRs serve as experts in intercepting signals. Their responsibilities include:  
- Analyzing and reporting on communication signals using computers, specialized computer-assisted communications equipment, video display terminals and electronic/magnetic tape recorders  
- Exploiting signals of interest to identify, locate and report worldwide threats  
- Providing tactical and strategic signals intelligence, technical guidance, and information warfare support to surface, subsurface, air and special warfare units. |
| Cryptologic Technician Technical (CTT) | CTTs serve as experts in airborne, shipborne and land-based radar signals. Their responsibilities include:  
- Operating electronic intelligence-receiving and direction-finding systems, digital recording devices, analysis terminals, and associated computer equipment  
- Operating systems that produce high-power jamming signals used to deceive electronic sensors and defeat radar-guided weapons systems  
- Providing technical and tactical guidance in support of surface, subsurface, air and special warfare operations. |
| Intelligence Specialist (IS) | Intelligence Specialists play no small part in the success of America’s Navy. Their responsibilities include:  
- Collect, process, analyze, organize and disseminate information  
- Prepare detailed materials that communicate findings  
- And, ultimately, help generate insight that has strategic and tactical implications all over the world. |

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NAVY ENLISTED PERSONNEL

Information Systems Technician (IT)

. . . [ITs] engage in a broad range of responsibilities including network administration, database management and computer hardware and software implementation. Their responsibilities include:

- Operating and maintaining Navy global satellite telecommunications systems
- Serving as admin on mainframe computers and local and wide area networks
- Implementing micro-computer systems throughout the Fleet

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2. Ibid.


7. See “782X – Information Systems Technician,” under “CWO DESIGNATOR CAREER PATTERN SHEETS,”


11. Ibid.

12. Ibid.

13. Ibid.

14. Ibid.

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KEY AIR FORCE CYBER-RELATED PERSONNEL

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<td><strong>17DX – Network Operations</strong></td>
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<td><strong>17SX – Cyber Warfare Operations</strong></td>
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<td>Executes cyberspace operations and information operations functions and activities. Plans, organizes, directs and executes cyberspace and information operations such as, Defensive Cyber Operations (DCO), Offensive Cyber Operations (OCO), Department of Defense (DoD) Information Network [DODIN] Operations and Mission Assurance for Air Force weapons systems and platforms. Such operations cover the spectrum of mission areas within the cyberspace domain.¹</td>
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<td><strong>1B4X1 – Cyberspace Warfare Operations</strong></td>
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<td>Performs duties to develop, sustain, and enhance cyberspace capabilities to defend national interests from attack and to create effects in cyberspace to achieve national objectives. Conduct Offensive Cyberspace Operations (OCO) and Defensive Cyberspace Operations (DCO) using established tactics, techniques and procedures (TTPs) to achieve Service, CCMD, and national objectives. Executes command and control (C2) of assigned cyberspace forces and de-conflicts cyberspace operations across the kinetic and non-kinetic spectrum. Supports cyberspace capability development, testing and implementation. Partners with Joint, Interagency, Intergovernmental, and Multinational forces to detect, deny or manipulate adversarial access to sovereign national cyberspace systems.²</td>
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<td>D0X1 – Knowledge Management</td>
<td>Develop, govern, and monitor processes, technologies, and practices that support organizations to identify, capture, organize, and employ information in both fixed and deployed environments. These information assets comprise of raw data, documents, practices, policies, and individual expertise. Core competencies of Knowledge Managers include: professional networking, social collaboration, Communities of Practice (CoP), enterprise information systems technology, business continuity, cross-functional data sharing, and process-improvement.</td>
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<td>3D0X2 – Cyber Systems Operations</td>
<td>Installs, supports and maintains server operating systems or other computer systems and the software applications pertinent to its operation, while also ensuring current defensive mechanisms are in place (IAVA Patches, etc.), and responding to service outages and interruptions to network operations. Administers server-based networked systems, distributed applications, network storage, messaging, and application monitoring required to provision, sustain, operate and integrate cyber networked systems and applications in garrison and at deployed locations. Core competencies include: server operating systems, database administration, web technologies, systems-related project management and supervising computer operators. Supports identification, reconnaissance and remediation of vulnerabilities while enhancing capabilities within cyber environments to achieve desired affects.</td>
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<td>3D0X3 - Cyber Surety</td>
<td>Performs risk management framework security determinations of fixed, deployed and mobile information systems (IS) and telecommunications resources to monitor, evaluate and maintain systems, policy and procedures to protect clients, networks, data/voice systems and databases from unauthorized activity. Identifies potential threats and manages resolution of communications security incidents. Enforces national, DoD and Air Force security policies and directives to ensure Confidentiality, Integrity and Availability (CIA) of IS resources. Administers and manages the overall cybersecurity program to include Communications Security (COMSEC), Emissions Security (EMSEC) and Computer Security (COMPUSEC) programs.</td>
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<td>3D0X4 - Computer Systems Programming</td>
<td>Supervises and performs as computer analyst, coder, tester and manager in the design, development, maintenance, testing, configuration management, and documentation of application software systems, client-server, and web-enabled software and relational database systems critical to warfighting capabilities.</td>
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<td>3D1X1 - Client Systems</td>
<td>Deploys, sustains, troubleshoots, and repairs standard voice, data, desktop video and network client devices in fixed and deployed environments. Sustains and operates systems through effective troubleshooting, repair, and system performance analysis. Manages client user accounts and organizational client device accounts.</td>
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<td>3D1X2 - Cyber Transport Systems</td>
<td>Deploys, sustains, troubleshoots, and repairs standard voice, data, and video network infrastructure systems, IP detection systems and cryptographic equipment. Performs, coordinates, integrates, and supervises network design, configuration, operation, defense, restoration, and improvements. Analyzes capabilities and performance, identifies problems, and takes corrective action. Fabricates, terminates, and interconnects wiring and associated network infrastructure devices.</td>
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<td><strong>3D1X3 – RF Transmission Systems</strong></td>
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<td>Deploys, sustains, troubleshoots, and repairs standard radio frequency wireless, line-of-sight, beyond line-of-sight, wideband, ground-based satellite, and encryption transmission devices in a fixed and deployed environment. Included are multiple waveform systems operating across the spectrum, keying and signal devices; telemetry and instrumentation systems. Establishes and maintains circuits, configures and manages system and network connectivity.</td>
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<td>The Spectrum Operations technician analyzes requirements and requests frequencies to support terrestrial, aircraft and space systems and coordinate radio, radar, land, and other electromagnetic radiating or receiving requirements. They possess a solid understanding of wireless communications systems technologies and configurations and provide guidance to program offices, developers, and potential users of radiating and receiving equipment planned for introduction into the Air Force inventory and for modification to existing equipment.</td>
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3. “AFSC 3D0X1 Knowledge Management,” CFETP 3D0X1, Washington, DC: Headquarters, Department of the Air Force,


