

Commando Force Programme



THE FUTURE COMMANDO FORCE

THE CHALLENGE OF THEATRE ACCESS IS GROWING

OUR ADVERSARIES ARE MORE ACTIVE ACROSS THE GLOBE

THREATS ARE INCREASING

WHY ARE WE DOING THIS?

SUB THRESHOLD MILITARY ACTIVITY

MILITARISATION OF HOSTILE ENVIRONMENTS

MORE USE OF MILITARY FORCE

MACHINE SPEED WARFARE

PROLIFERATION OF AREA DENIAL SYSTEMS

WE ARE BUILDING ON THE QUALITY OF OUR PEOPLE

WE ARE CHANGING...

..HOW WE TRAIN

..HOW WE OPERATE

MODULAR. EFFICIENT. CLOSER TO THREATS.

..HOW WE ARE EQUIPPED

LONG RANGE, WITH AUTONOMY AND MOBILITY.

MORE DISPERSED. AT RANGE. HIGHLY CONNECTED.

PERSONNEL **ORGANISATION** **LOGISTICS AND SECURITY** **INFORMATION**

TRAINING **INFRASTRUCTURE** **EQUIPMENT** **DOCTRINE & CONCEPTS**

SET FOR THE FUTURE...

FCF IS A TRANSFORMATION AND MODERNISATION PROGRAMME

WE WILL BE ABLE TO CONDUCT THEATRE ENTRY AGAINST OUR MOST DIFFICULT ADVERSARIES, RESPOND TO CRISIS AROUND THE GLOBE AND BE PRODUCTIVE AT ALL TIMES

THE FUTURE COMMANDO FORCE WILL SUPPORT THE UK & NATO TO PROJECT POWER GLOBALLY, AND RETAIN POLITICAL CHOICE

PREVAILING WESTERLIES

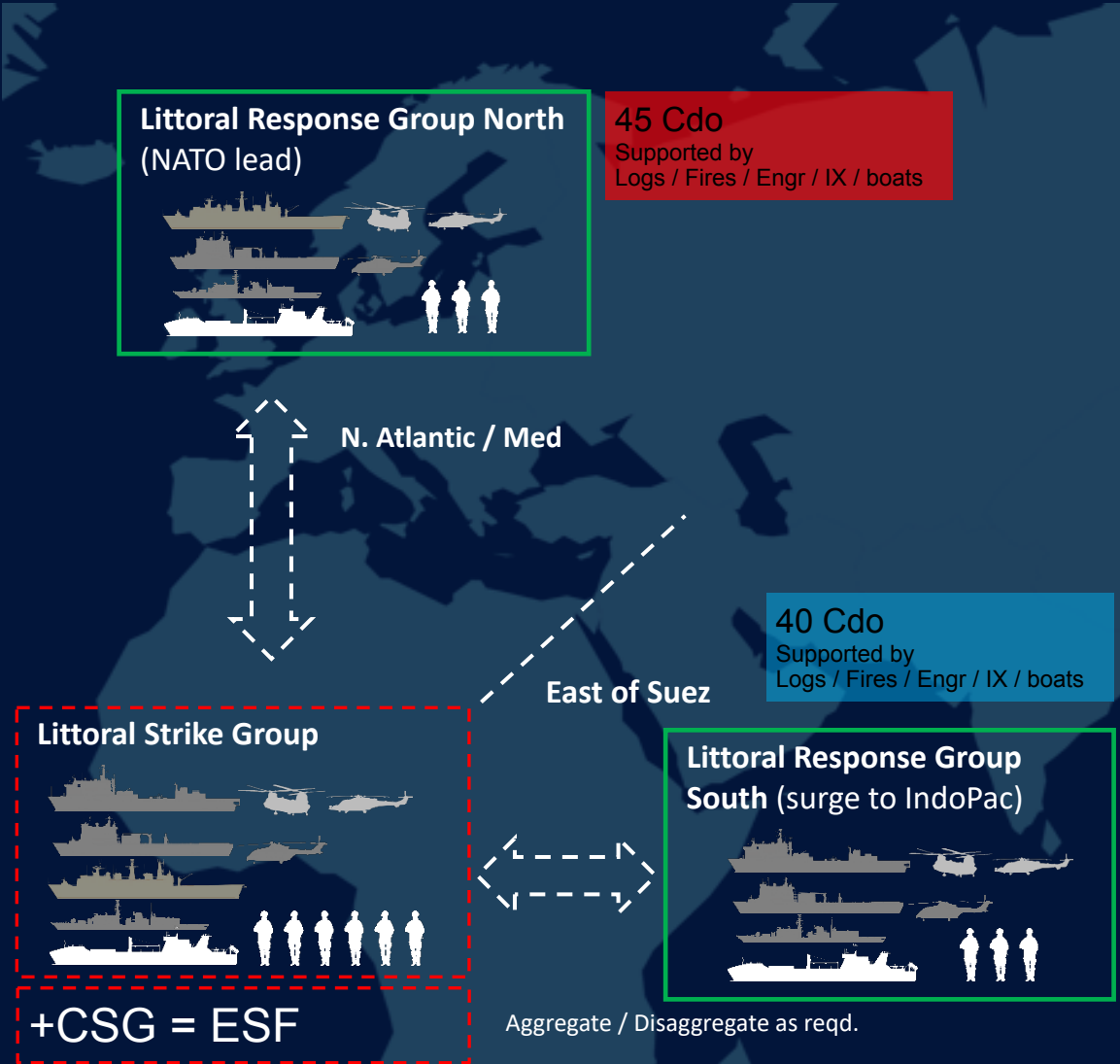
NORTHEAST BELT OF CALMS

WINTER MONSOONS

EQUATOR

Central Proposition

- Support UK Strategic Priorities 
- Forward presence and response – choice 
- Warfighting ability built with partners 
- Advantage from C2, Integration & Autonomy 
- Data management & Resilient Cloud 



Programme Overview



Detailed Force Design

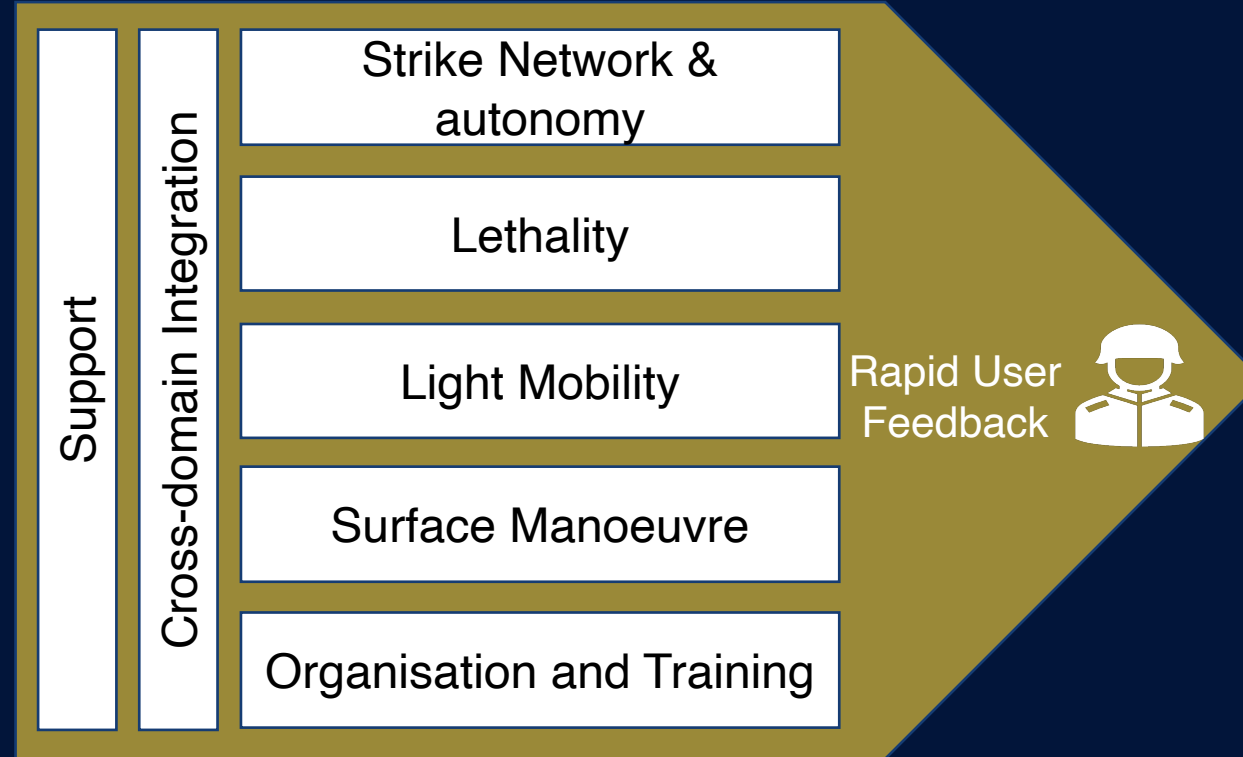
We must:

*Meet current and future threats
Offer greater political choice
Be efficient and productive*

Our solutions come from:

*Extensive Wargaming
Trials and Simulation
Live Exercises
Conflict analysis
Peer review*

Innovative Programme Delivery



Defence

Outcomes

**Theatre
Access**

**Crisis
Response**

**Forward
Engagement**

**Maritime
Presence**

Key Partners



*Aligned with USMC Force Design
Delivering Combined Seapower – LOE3*

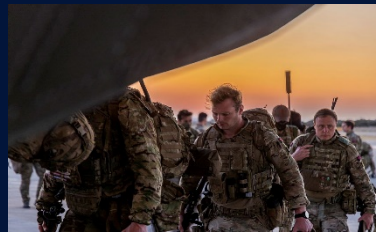
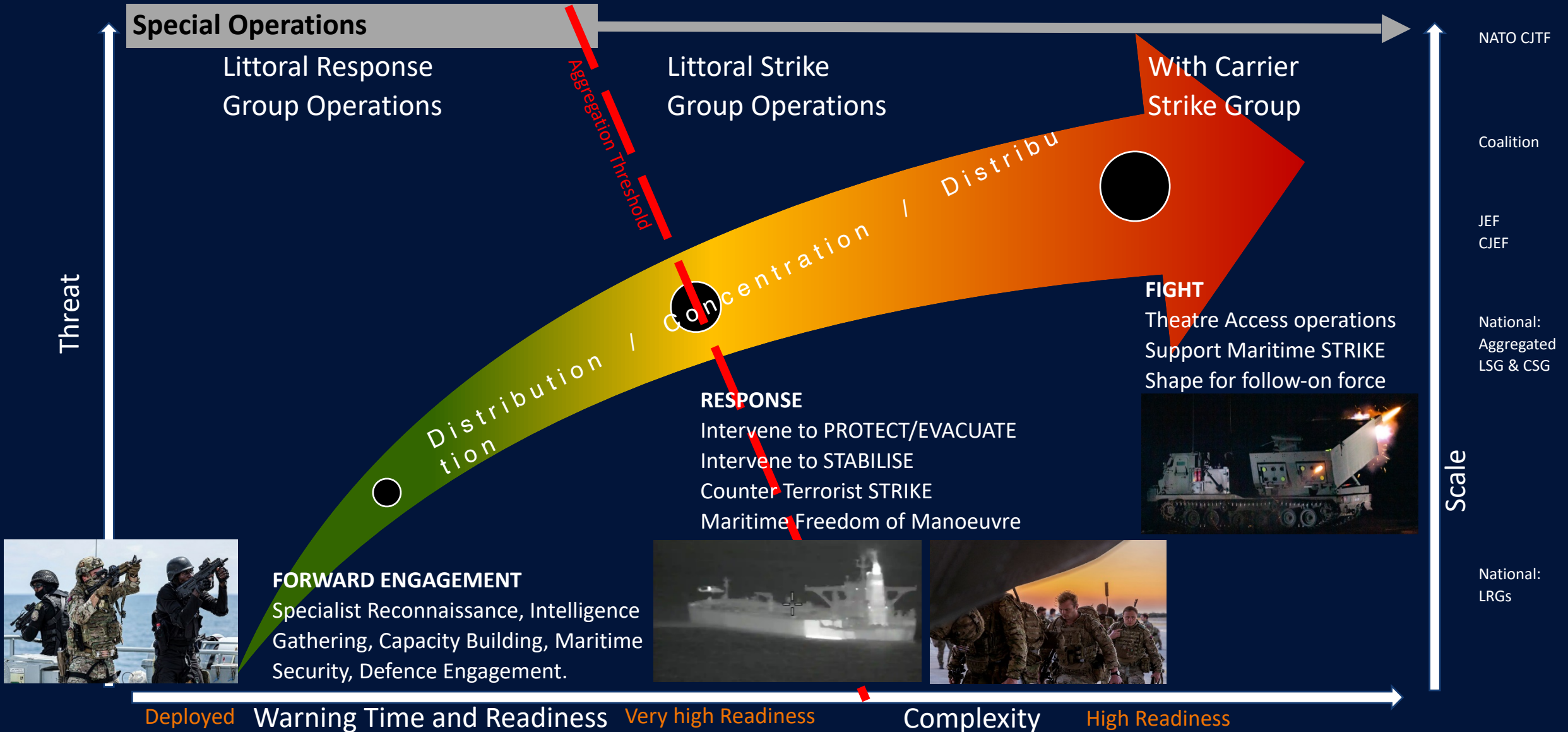


*Littoral Operating Concept
UK/NL formation capability*

Major Dependencies:

Amphibious Shipping – especially Multi-Role Support Ship
Joint Combat Enablers – Strike, Comms, Surveillance, Helicopters; Ld Comd
Joint Support – for forward maintenance and operational logistics

How it works



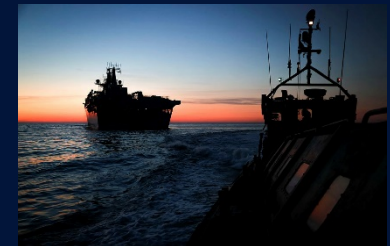
Integration into the wider Force

- Littoral Strike complements:
 - Carrier Strike (and vice versa)
 - Deep Recce Strike / Deep Fires
 - Cdo Force enables Special Operations
- Provides up threat targeting for long-range precision fires (Incl Carrier Strike) to prosecute target sets
- The landward extension of the Fleet (RUSI) – enabling Sea Control
- Crisis response – delivered by land, air or by sea
- Support to NATO operations and NATO transformation
- Must be able to share target quality data with joint / combined forces
 - Delivering Combined Seapower (USN, USMC, RN)
- Leading Defence in digital information system transformation



What next? Future acquisition priorities

- Next approval: **Cdo Force Strike Network**
 - Digital communication, tactical data link, Fires integration, uncrewed systems
- **Commando Insertion Craft**
 - Replaces LCVP
 - Industry Day 4 Jun 24
 - Not just a surface connector
- **Multi-Role Support Ship**
 - Key dependency
 - Critical to the Cdo Force Concept of Operations
 - Recapitalising the amphibious fleet
- And then?
 - Autonomous craft, further network integration, heavy lift
 - Iteration, spiral, learning from experience



Questions



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