

The Maritime Strategy



Truth

- **90% of the world's commerce travels by sea**
- **The vast majority of the world's population lives within a few hundred miles of the oceans**
- **Nearly three quarters of the planet is covered by water**



New Era

- **New Global System Emerging**
 - New Players
 - New Competition – Especially for Resources
 - New Rules of the Game
 - New Challenges and Dangers
 - New Organizing Principles
 - New Climate
 - New Goal: Multi-polarity and Stability

Global System in Transition – Unsettled, Potentially Dangerous



What's New in this Strategy?

- *We believe that Preventing War is as important as Winning Wars*
- Raises the importance of cooperative maritime relationships as the basis for global maritime security.
- Elevates Humanitarian Assistance & Disaster Relief to core elements of maritime power.
 - We've always done this, but now we'll plan to do it
- Greater synergy of all elements of national power- Diplomatic, Informational, Military, Economic; Joint, Interagency and NGO cooperation.



Our challenge is to apply seapower in a manner that protects U.S. vital interests even as it promotes greater collective security, stability, and trust.



What's New in this Strategy?

- All three Sea Services were involved, with the final document signed by the three Service Chiefs
- Developed in an open and inclusive manner, a true competition of ideas that cast a wide net.
 - The American Public was engaged through a series of Conversations with the Country and Executive Seminars
- A Global Systems view
 - US vital interests are best served by forward deployed maritime forces capable of preventing, deterring, limiting, localizing and mitigating disruptions in the global system.
 - This global system consists of the interrelated and interdependent subsystems of trade, finance, law, information and immigration



Major power war, regional conflict, terrorism, lawlessness and natural disasters—all have the potential to threaten U.S. national security and world prosperity.



The Maritime Strategic Concept

- There is a global system of interdependence, critical to the prosperity of the American people and the greater global community.
 - The system is subject to a spectrum of disruption from major war to natural disasters
- Maritime forces:
 - Defend our homeland and win our nation's wars
 - Play a unique and critical role in preventing and mitigating disruptive shocks to the global system
 - Foster relationships that help sustain confidence in the global system and allow it to flourish



Although our forces can surge when necessary to respond to crises,
trust and cooperation cannot be surged.



Maritime Strategic Imperatives

Regionally Concentrated, Credible Combat Power

*Deter major
power war*

Win our nation's wars

*Limit regional
conflict*

*Secure Our Homeland, Citizens, and
Interests around the World*

*Contribute to homeland
defense in depth*

*Foster & sustain
cooperative relationships*

*Prevent or contain
local disruptions*

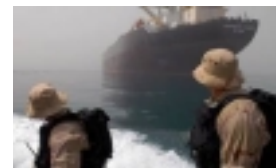
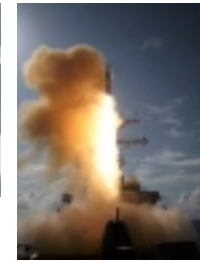
Globally Distributed, Mission-Tailored Maritime Forces



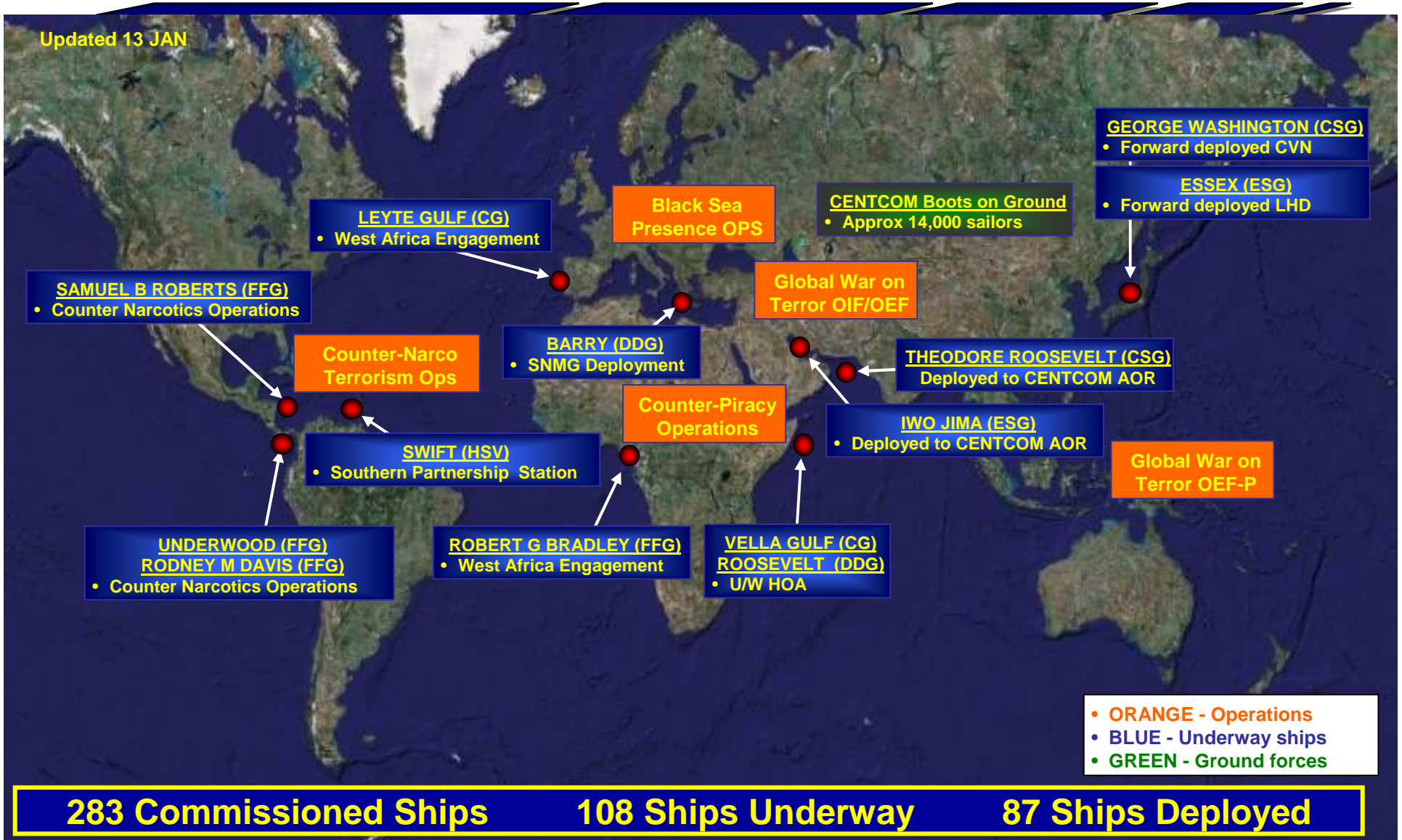
Core Elements of Maritime Power

Although the Sea Services conduct many missions, the following six capabilities comprise the **core of U.S. maritime power** and reflect an increase in emphasis on those activities that *prevent war and build partnerships*:

- **Forward Presence**
- **Deterrence**
- **Sea Control**
- **Power Projection**
- ***Maritime Security***
- ***Humanitarian Assistance & Disaster Response***



United States Navy Today





Conclusion

- **Inherent qualities of maritime forces create more options**
 - Across full range of operations
 - Diplomatic, Information, Military and Economic (DIME) Spectrum
- **Credible and flexible forward deployed maritime power provides pivotal ability to expand and sustain collaborative relationships**
 - Essential to today's tightly coupled yet multi-polar global system
- **Maritime Forces are critical to national aspirations and provide unique capabilities to the joint force commanders**

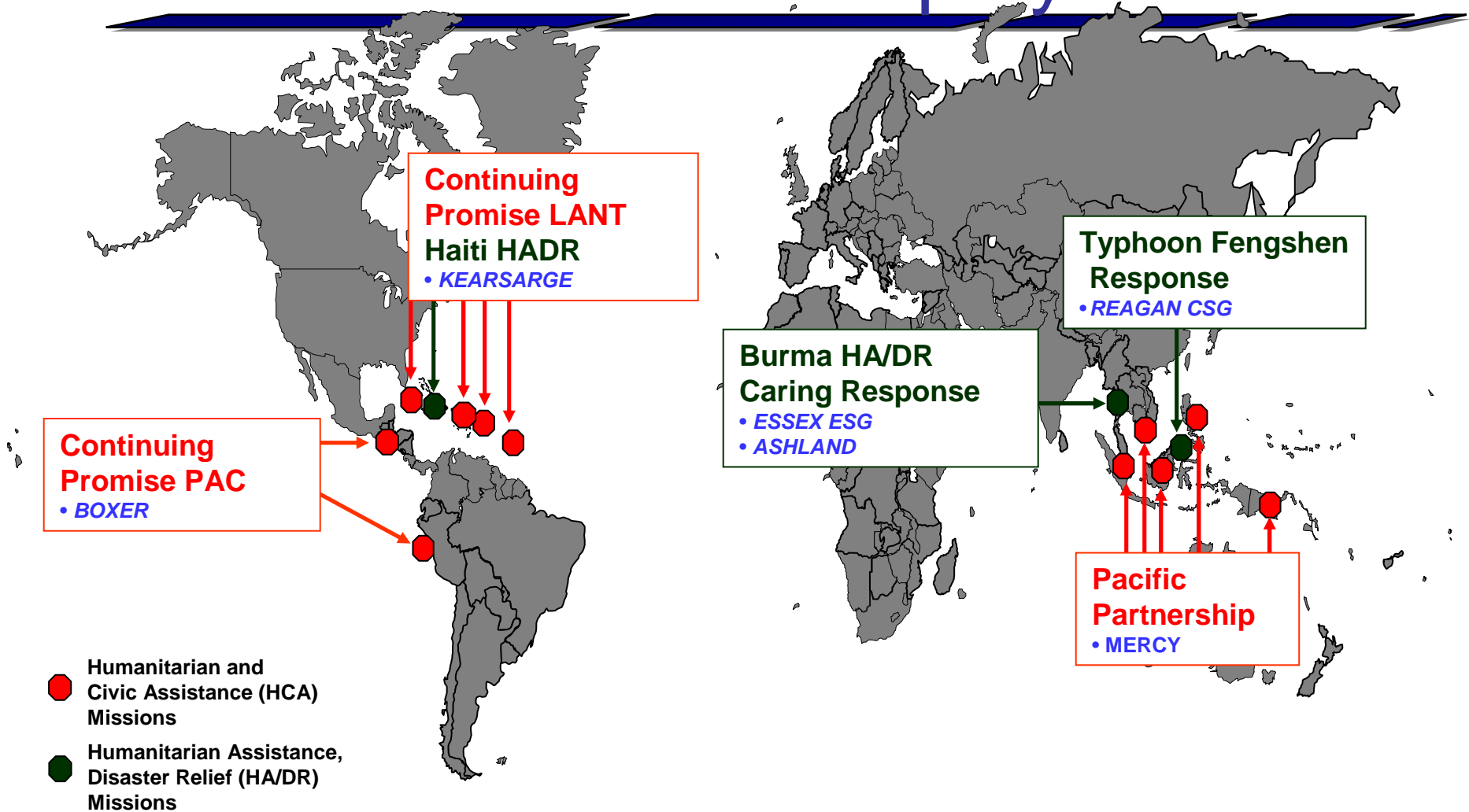




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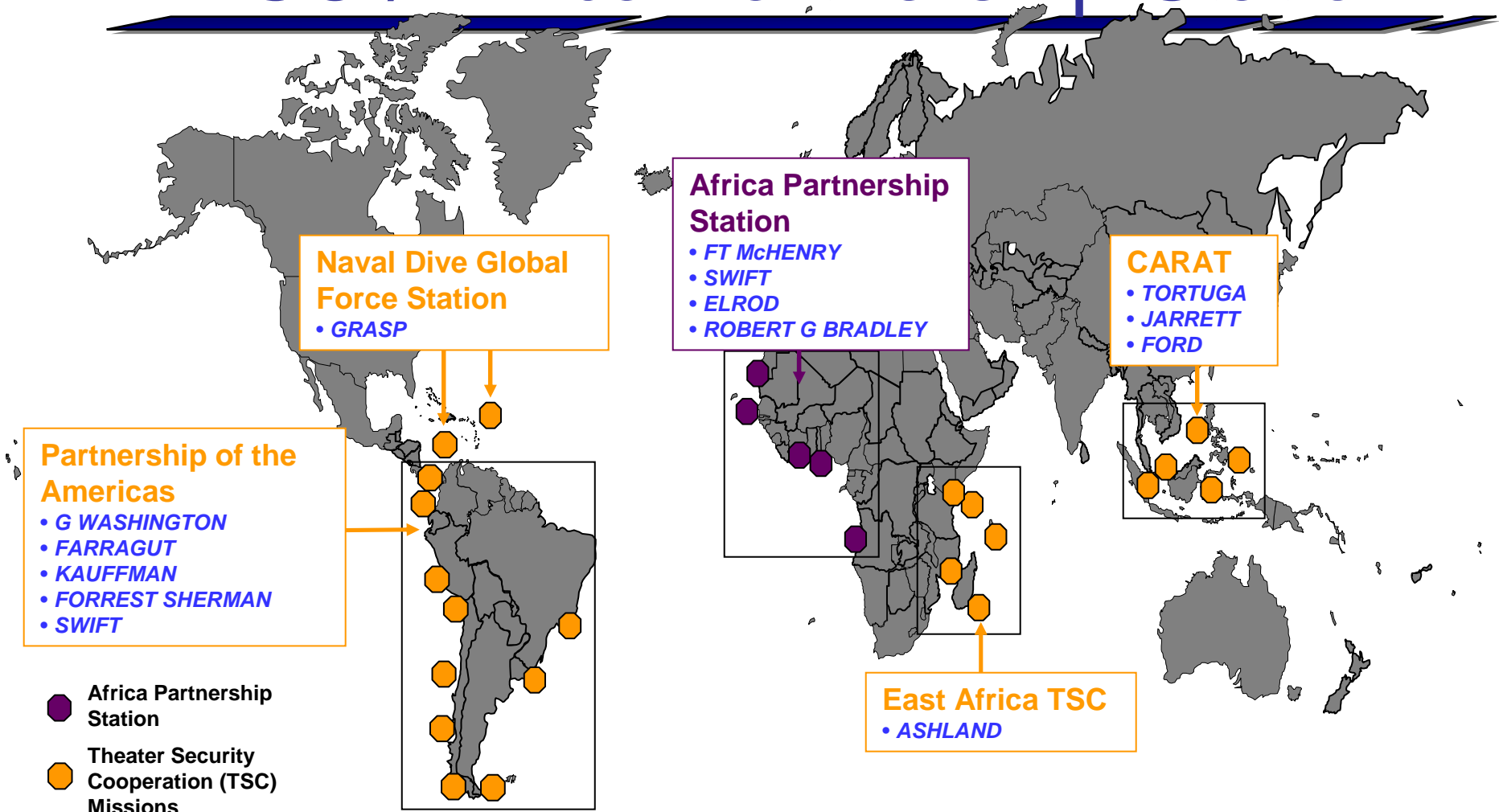
HCA / HA-DR Deployments



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TSC / Africa Partnership Station



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- How do we resource the strategy?
 - Title 10 responsibilities: "...recruiting, organizing, supplying, equipping, training, servicing, mobilizing, demobilizing, administering, and maintaining the Navy."
 - It's not just resourcing, but...
 - What are the "hard" (resourcing) decisions that need to be made?
 - What is the role of the strategic leader--your role--in making these decisions?
 - How might we better align our message so that we influence the "target audience" that will facilitate resourcing decisions?