

Operation Knight Flight



Introductory Presentation

We Deliver Hope to the World
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Our Vision



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Why

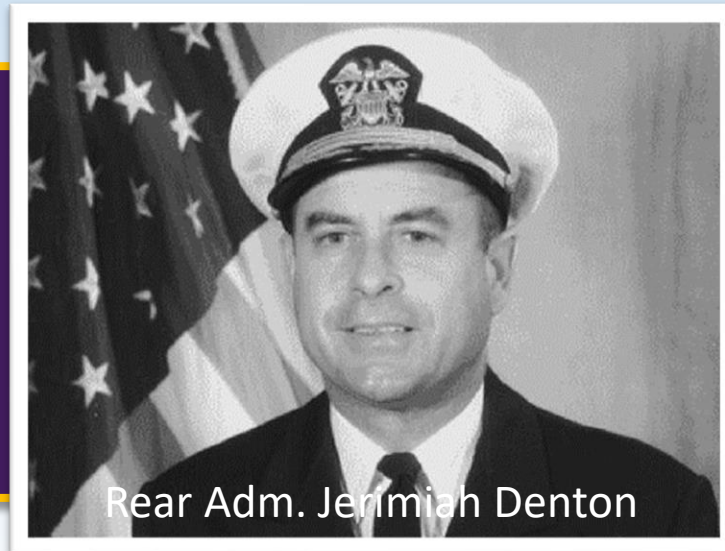
Conflict is the main driver of humanitarian needs, while natural disasters continue to cause many people to need emergency aid. Overall, more than 134 million people across the world need humanitarian assistance and protection.



The Denton Program

The Denton [Amendment] Program is a Department of Defense (DOD) transportation program that moves humanitarian cargo, donated by U.S. based Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) to developing nations to ease human suffering. The approved cargo is transported by DOD land, air or sea assets on a space-available basis. The program is authorized by statute (10 U.S. Code 402) and is managed by the U.S. Department of State (DOS) and DOD.

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Rear Adm. Jeremiah Denton



Who We Are

Operation Knight Flight (OKF) is activity supported by the Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem (Knights Templar) whereby constituent Knights and Dames pursue methods to improve the conditions for Christian communities at risk worldwide using the Denton Program.

The **Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem (SMOTJ)**, Inc. is an autonomous and independent organization, incorporated in the United States, which seeks to emulate the chivalric and charity traditions of the original Templars; its members apply themselves energetically and selflessly to Christian charitable endeavors.



What OKF Does



- Develop charity connections
- Monitor global humanitarian needs
- Identify suitable military support units
- Interface with Denton Program office
- Facilitate charity cargo processing
- Coordinate program compliance

OKF Denton shipment history

Mar 2018 Erbil, Iraq	Destination: 10 Camps in Dahuk, Mosel - 15,000 refugees Cargo: Clothes, Blankets, Desks, Wheelchairs, Educational Material	22 Pallets, 6,941 lbs.
Nov 2018 Erbil, Iraq	Destination: 11 Camps in Dahuk, Mosel, and Nineveh Plain - 20,000 refugees Cargo: Clothes, Blankets, Walkers, Wheelchairs, Educational	22 Pallets, 8,618 lbs.
Apr 2019 Erbil, Iraq	Destination: Kurdistan Cargo: Educational, Furniture, Household, Hygiene,	36 Pallets, 7,926 lbs.
Jul 2019 Erbil, Iraq	Destination: Ankawa-Erbil Cargo: Clothes, Bedding, Educational Hygiene Materials, Household	22 Pallets, 9,031 lbs.
Oct 2020 Erbil, Iraq	Destination: Dahuk, Sigy, Mosel and Nineveh Plain Cargo: Clothes, Blankets, Educational, Medical Supplies, Toys, Shoes	32 Pallets, 15,822 lbs.
Jan 2021 Erbil, Iraq	Destination: Dahuk, Mosel and Nineveh Plain Cargo: Clothes, Blankets, Educational, Medical Supplies, Shoes	22 Pallets, 7,452 lbs.
Jun 2021 Erbil, Iraq	Destination: Erbil, Dahuk Cargo: Shoes, Wheelchairs, Clothing, Hygiene Supplies, Toys	25 Pallets, 16,259 lbs.
		181 Pallets, 72,049 lbs.



ROADS OF SUCCESS



Chaldean
Catholic
Church

Phase 1

Collection

Application

Packaging

Inspection

Transport

Phase 2

Airbase Handoff

Load Preparation

Denton Airlift

Off Load

Phase 3

Clearance

Receiving

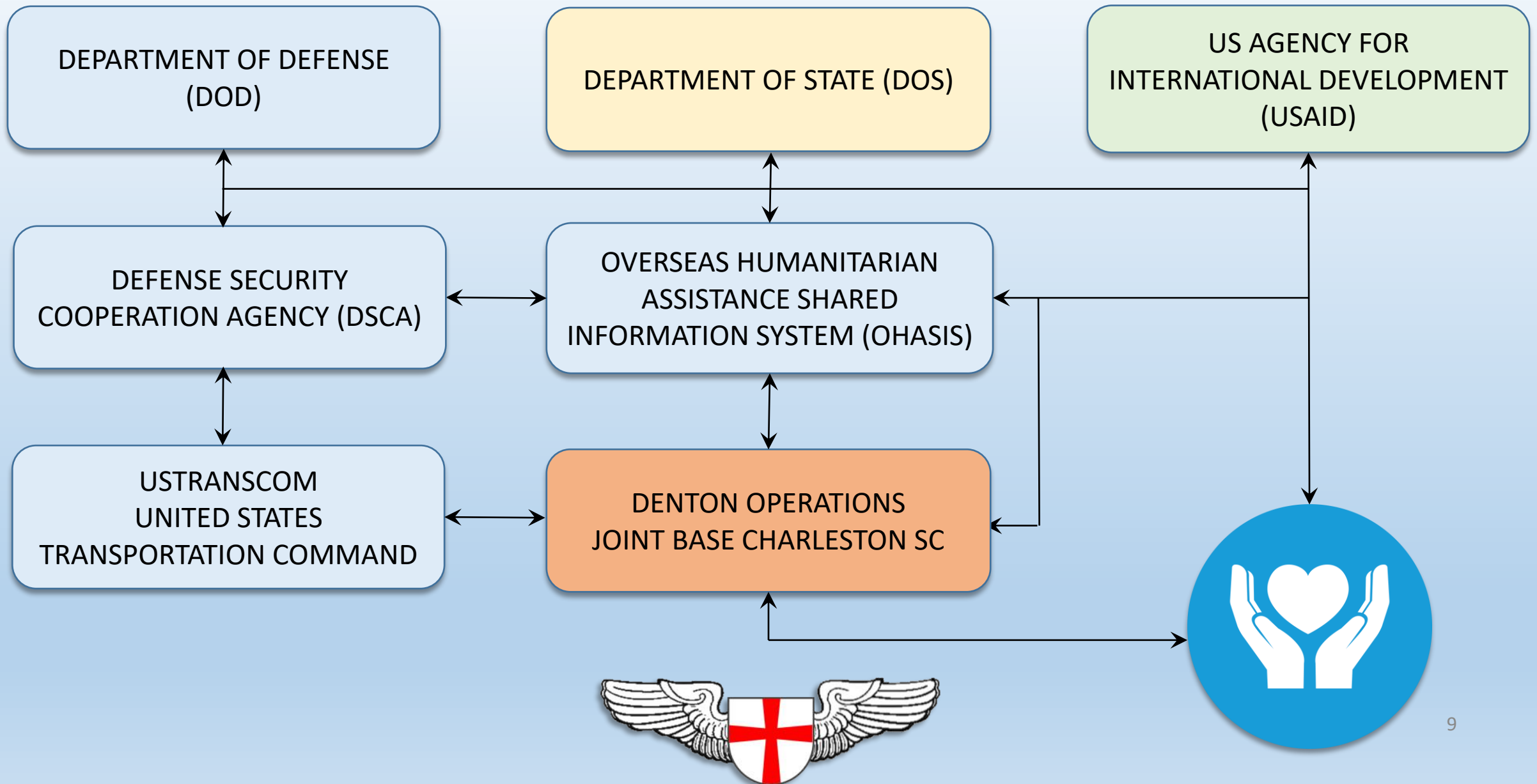
Transport

Storage

Deliver



Governmental/Charity Organizational Connectivity



How Charities Benefit



- Available to all bona fide charities
- No cost airlift
- Pilferage eliminated
- Single Point of Contact (POC)



Charity Checklist

- ☐ Review/Evaluate Denton Program requirements and limitations
- ☐ Register and open Denton shipment application
- ☐ Establish in-country consignee, clearances, and logistics
- ☐ Collect, package, inspect, then transport humanitarian cargo to airbase
- ☐ Meet humanitarian cargo at destination and distribute
- ☐ Complete After Action report



Benefiting the Military

- Expanded aircrew theater training opportunities
- Foster Esprit de Corps
- Optimize O&E flying hour use
- Promote military goodwill toward community
- Highlight program participation to congress



Review

- Need for humanitarian airlift is real
- Congressionally mandated program
- Clearly defined process
- Win-win situation: Charities, Military, Recipients
- OKF facilitates it all



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