

SMC/RN Compatible Satellite C2 (Sat C2)

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- SMC/CC tasker to RN (Spring 2006)
 - Identify Satellite Command & Control architecture based on accepted standards applicable to SMC missions
- RN actions (2006 2008)
 - Focused on Service Oriented Architectures (SOAs) for SV TT&C, CCSDS standards
 - Received 14 RFI responses for "state-of-the-art" ground SOAs
 - No "true" SOA-based commercial satellite C2 products exist
 - Visited DoD and commercial satellite control facilities
 - Presented reference architecture for feedback at industry forums
 - SMC/CC feedback: too long to implement, no funding source
 - RN directed to explore existing frameworks





• RN Sat C2 Study: June 2008 – Oct 2009

- Evaluated Compatible Sat C2 architecture based on <u>G</u>oddard <u>M</u>ission <u>Services</u> <u>Evolution</u> <u>Center</u> (GMSEC) framework
- Aerospace test bed created in Chantilly, VA
- Found NASA's GMSEC Framework a suitable starting point for a DOD Framework
 - Missing Data Standards and Information Assurance
 - Must be tailored for DOD applications
- SMC/CC tasked RN to prototype a Compatible Sat C2 Architecture (2009)
 - Signed a letter endorsing JSCC and Sat C2



Compatible Satellite Control Architecture







- Compatible Sat C2 -
 - Standard communication infrastructure developed for satellite ground systems
 - Uses common messaging and data standards
 - Hybrid approach between stovepipes and 1-size-fits-all
- Benefits/Implications
 - Facilitates integration of legacy, future, and commercial ground systems/products
 - Reduces development, O&M, sustainment costs
 - Facilitates access to space and ground asset C2 data
 - Enables flexible CONOPS
 - Allows best products from multiple vendors



RN Approach & Way Forward

- Develop Compatible Sat C2 Prototype in FY10/FY11 to validate approaches and reduce risks
 - Leverage NASA Goddard Mission Service Evolution Center (GMSEC) Framework as a starting point
 - Conduct 3 phase prototype development/evaluation:
 - 1. Design prototype, develop long lead Infrastructure (including Information Assurance & common ground interfaces)
 - 2. Integrate select legacy systems, simulate external interfaces, incorporate common displays, common services, and mission data
 - 3. Prototype Computer Network Defense (CND) & Ops automation concepts
- Evaluate prototype concepts for SMC missions with 50SW in FY12
 - Established dedicated DS-3 DISA line btwn Schriever AFB & Sat C2 Prototype
 - Operators to gain experience and help develop Requirements & CONOPS
- Provide feedback and recommendations to SMC/CC





- Selected legacy system capabilities integrated at Schriever AFB and the Aerospace Corporation's lab in Chantilly, VA
 - Legacy system contractors will support integration
- RFI for applicable industry research & comments
 - RFI released May 2010 and Industry Day held August 2010
 - White papers on proposed architecture, approach, and cost savings
 - Industry research capabilities that can support prototyping objectives
 - Compatible Satellite C2 Data Repository:
 - <u>https://www.fbo.gov/index?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=9935b50d74</u> <u>a596e3347599c9a4c1cbbd&tab=documents&tabmode=list</u>



Gov't Requirements for Industry Participation

- Requirements
 - 1. Vendor Product(s) supports the Government's technical objectives
 - 2. Capability (products and technical support) is provided to integrate with the prototype infrastructure at no cost to the government
 - 3. No restrictions on Government use of contractor data to support definition of future acquisitions
- Those vendors with capabilities of most interest to the government's prototyping activities have been contacted and asked to participate





- RN received submissions from over 25 companies in response to the Compatible Sat C2 RFI
- Vendors offered capabilities (products & technical support) as well as comments on RN's prototyping approach
- RFI review & down-select resulted in narrowing field to 9 vendors:
 - a.i. solutions, Amergint, L-3, GMV, Braxton, ISI, Emergent, Lockheed Martin, and Boeing
- Products
 - The vendors proposed in total over 50 scenarios in which their product(s) could be used in the government's prototype
 - Examples: Cross Domain Solutions; IA/Cyber Security tools; Enterprise Scheduling tools; Common Displays; Mission Planning services; Ground/Space Situational Awareness tools



Gov't Use of Industry Capabilities

- How will the Gov't use Industry products in the prototype?
 - Support demonstrations to the SATOPS Community (e.g. AFSPC, 50SW, NASA) that highlight utility of framework and opportunities for common services
 - 2. Identify framework infrastructure concepts and additional standards needed to support various service concepts
 - 3. Document lessons learned about the framework (e.g. ease of product integration, integration issues/challenges)
 - 4. Identify potential common services that would be beneficial to the Gov't.
- Industry products themselves are <u>not</u> being evaluated to support a procurement decision
- Vendor Demonstrations conducted 13-16 September 2011 at The Aerospace Corp.