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SMC Enterprise Ground Architecture (EGA) Project Overview

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Overview

Develop, analyze and propose architecture options to modernize the SMC Enterprise Space Operations ground systems

Objectives

- Ground system architectures with significantly more affordable life cycle costs
- Operational resilience to existing and emerging threats
- Ensure space superiority-based capability delivery to the warfighter globally

Approach

- Leverage lessons learned from OGAs and CSOs in architecting space operations centers
- Leverage significant proven advances in commercial data center technologies and practices
- Focus on non-proprietary architectures which are adaptable over longer life cycles, which encourage innovation and competition
- Create roadmaps which identify on-ramps for acquiring and consolidating ground architecture capabilities



Motivation For SATOPs Evolution

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- AFSPC Directives / Guidance
 - 2008 AFSPC/CC
 - 2011 AFSPC/CC
 - 2013 Gen Whelan 4 Nov
 - 2013 AFSPC/CC requested ISAG on future Ground Enterprise options
- Drivers for the transformation
 - Increasing budget constraints
 - Increasing sustainment cost
 - Evolving mission requirements
 - Tech maturity & emerging threats
 - Success by other Gov't offices
 - NRL
 - NRO
 - JPL
 - SMC (MMSOC)



Transform AFSPC SATOPS into On-Demand, Protected and Agile Enterprise



GAO Recommendation – Apr 2013

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"Satellite Control" – Report to Congressional Committees

"GAO recommends that the Secretary of Defense direct future DoD satellite acquisition programs to determine a business case for proceeding with either a dedicated or shared network for that program's satellite control operations and development-wide long-term plan for modernizing its AFSCN and any future shared networks and implementing commercial practices to improve DoD satellite control networks. DoD concurred with our recommendation"*

- SASC NDAA SR 133-44, accompanying S.1197 Reported 20 June 2013, Congress <u>directs the Air Force to provide a long term plan</u> for modernizing its Satellite Control Network and any future shared satellite control services and capabilities consistent with the second recommendation found on page 28 of the Government Accountability Office report, "Satellite Control Operations" (GAO-13-315).
- SMC RN and XR provided draft response to Congress, Nov 2013, summarized as: Air Force Space Command is currently planning an extensive project to develop and select a new satellite control operations architecture and the associated concept of operations. The goal of the "Enterprise Ground Architecture" project is to improve future satellite control operations and cyber protection for future resilient space systems, while reducing life cycle cost.

^{*} GAO Report (GAO-13-315) "SATELLITE CONTROL: Long-Term Planning and Adoption of Commercial Practices Could Improve DOD's Operations" – April 2013

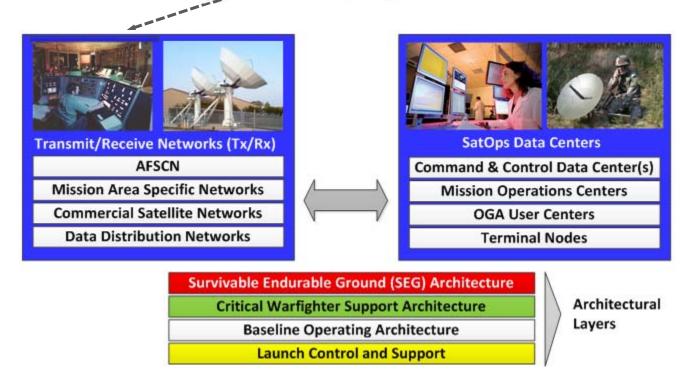


Scope of EGA

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The scope of EGA includes:

- Transmit/Receive Networks
- SatOps Data Centers
- Architectures which utilize these elements



"The ultimate goal of achieving space superiority should be to maintain our own space capabilities when contested and ensure unhindered mission continuity through any conflict." Space Operations, AFDD 3-14



Phase I Activities Satellite Operations Benchmarking

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| Ground Operations – Benchmarking Working Group | | |
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| Objective | Benchmark ground systems architectures at other government agencies (OGAs) and commercial space operations (CSOs) to capture the state of the industry. | |
| Benchmark Partners | Site Visits NASA Goddard/TDRSS/GMSEC, JPL AMMOS, MDA, NRL Blossom Point, NOAA, Intelsat (CA), Initial Contact/Pending Visits - NRO, NGA, ESA, Kratos/ISI, NAVSOC, Intelsat (VA), SES Americom | |

Benchmarking focus

- Data Center architectures for satellite C2 and mission operations
- Strategies for achieving common core and standardization
 - · Impact of data rights and adaptability to changing requirements
- Proprietary versus COTS versus GOTS capabilities
- Standardization versus innovation and competition
- Life cycle cost management strategies
- Cyber security strategies



Phase I Activities Commercial Capabilities Survey

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| Ground Operations – Commercial Capabilities Working Group | | | |
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| Objective | Survey commercial capabilities providers impacting commercial data centers and cloud services for potential application to future EGA. | | |
| Trends and Focus Areas | Network virtualization "Big data" analytics IT service automation & orchestration Embedded configuration management | Infrastructure as a Service (laaS) Infrastructure services GS COTS integration services Satellite operations/TT&C services | |



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Phase I Activities

Cyber Resilience in Ground System Architectures

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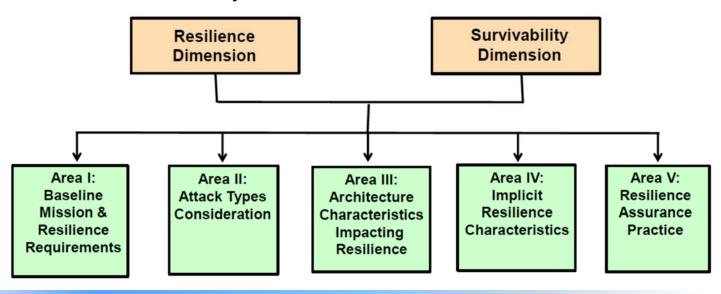
Ground Operations – Cyber Resilience

Objectives

Investigate cyber resilience analysis methods for candidate architectures in the conceptual stage.

Identify general architecture characteristics which support cyber security and resilience in ground systems.

Cyber Resilience Assessment Framework





Phase 2 Overview

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- Scope: SATOPs SMC TT&C and Mission Planning/Data processing
 - Map existing functions/capabilities to common architecture
 - Engineers, documents, scores (MS&A) and costs several resilient, lower cost future SATOPs candidate architectures
 - Leverage common services
 - Evolve CONOPS
 - > Impact assessment for classified/strategic contacts, cyber resilience, anomaly resolution, and overall mission TTPs/responsiveness



Notional EGA Roadmap

Gap: Improved Integrated Satellite Control Gap: Improved Cyber Protection / Resilience

