

JOINT URBAN WARRIOR 05 (J UW 05)

INFORMATION PAPER



"In one moment in time, our service members will be feeding and clothing displaced refugees - providing humanitarian assistance. In the next moment, they will be holding two warring tribes apart - conducting peacekeeping operations. Finally, they will be fighting a highly lethal mid-intensity battle. All on the same day, all within three city blocks. It will be what we call the three block war."

- General Charles C. Krulak

Introduction. *Joint Urban Warrior (J UW)* is cosponsored by the US Marine Corps (USMC) and US Joint Forces Command (USJFCOM) and is designed to address and improve joint and combined urban operations concept development and experimentation (CD&E). It is a recurring program consisting of an annual Pathway comprised of a major War Game and associated workshops, seminars, and planning events. *J UW* involves Service, Joint, Combined, and Interagency participation throughout the Pathway. The first annual war game, *J UW 04*, was conducted in March 2004.

Background. *J UW* builds on the Marine Corps' legacy of urban wargaming and CD&E, resident primarily in the Marine Corps Warfighting Laboratory (MCWL). This provides both a foundation for continued Service urban development, and a mechanism for JFCOM to fulfill its responsibilities as the DOD Executive Agent for Joint Urban Operations.

Focus and Scope. *J UW* is focused on: the integration of the full spectrum of advanced operational concepts and approaches, organizational innovations, technologies, and other transformational opportunities in complex urban operations necessary to enhance operational *effectiveness* in the context of the Three Block War; the critical importance of political end-state planning in shaping the nature of the joint urban campaign; and the critical importance of the stability and support aspects of urban operations. Additionally, *J UW* is intended to provide a vehicle for communicating and integrating the activities of the different Services and agencies that are addressing urban operations CD&E, as well as a feedback mechanism for the Joint Urban Operations Master Plan and JFCOM J-9's **actionable recommendations**.

J UW 05 War Game Objectives

- To continue (from *J UW 04*) to develop "Political End State Planning First" as the driving factor in Joint, Combined, and Interagency Urban Campaign planning and execution in the context of the Three Block War.
- Building on the findings and issues developed in *J UW 04*, continue to explore, develop, and assess innovative operational, organizational, and command relationships approaches to the conduct of Joint, Combined, and Interagency Urban Operations with particular focus on:

- The simultaneous conduct of Combat, Stability and Support, and Humanitarian / Disaster Assistance Operations; i.e., The Three Block War.
- Coalition coordination, integration, and interoperability.
- Interagency coordination, integration, and interoperability.
- Identify key issues and explore processes to plan and conduct a campaign against an adversary operating in a megalopolis or major urban region.
- To assess and refine:
 - The Joint Urban Operations (JUO) Joint Integrating Concept
 - The Security, Transition, and Reconstruction Operations (STRO) Joint Operations Concept.
- To explore key issues of Homeland Security.

Selected *J UW Pathway 05* Events

8-9 Sep 04	<i>Emerald Express 04-2: Interagency Insights and Observations.</i>
TBD	<i>Emerald Express 05-1: Stability Operations in Iraq.</i>
13 Oct 04	National Security Seminar
27 Oct 04	Political / Military Workshop
17-18 Nov 04	Indicators of Success & Metrics Workshop
12-17 Dec 04	<i>Expeditionary Warrior 05</i>
17-18 Jan 05	Joint Urban Intelligence Workshop
19-20 Jan 05	Main Planning Conference
8-10 Mar 05	<i>J UW 05 STAFFEX</i>
27 - 28 Apr 05	Final Planning Conference
22-27 May 05	<i>J UW 05 War Game</i>
02 Jun 05	Senior Leadership Seminar
Jun-Jul 05	Post-game assessment

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