# Robotic Systems Joint Project Office







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### **Approaches to Logistics**

Yesterday (Mass-Based)



- More is better
- Mountains of stuff measured in days of supply
- Uses massive inventory to hedge against uncertainty in demand and supply
- Mass begets mass and slows everything down

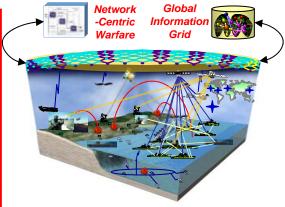
Prime Metric: Days of Supply Today (Just-in-Time)



- On-time is better
- Inventory is reduced to a minimum and kept moving
- Uses precise demand prediction and static optimization to purge uncertainty
- Works great, except when it doesn't

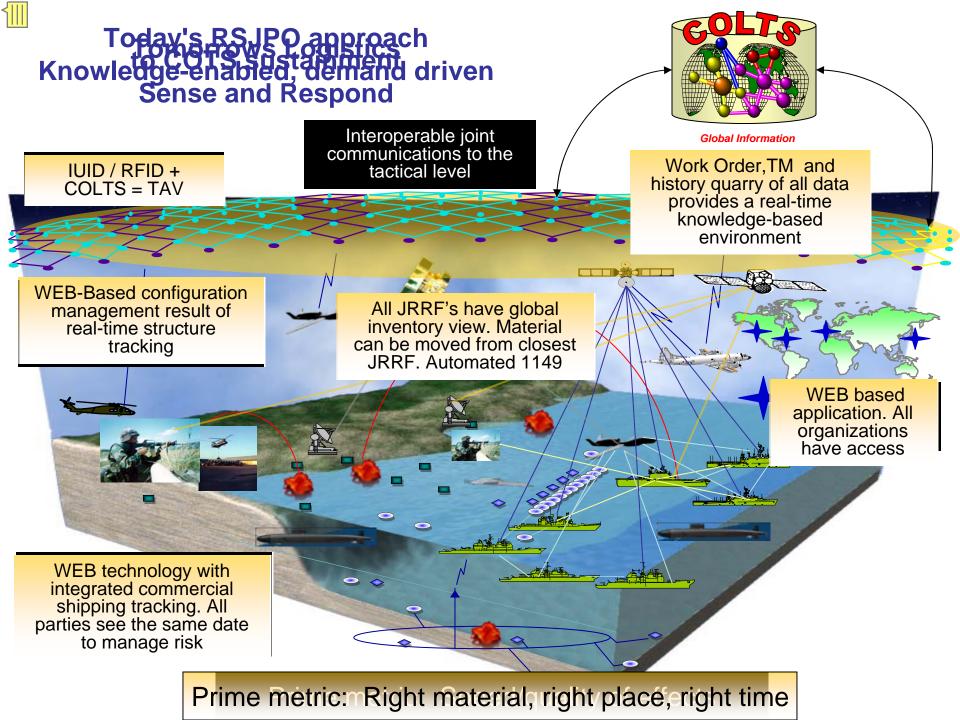
Prime Metric: Flow Time

**Tomorrow (Sense and Respond)** 



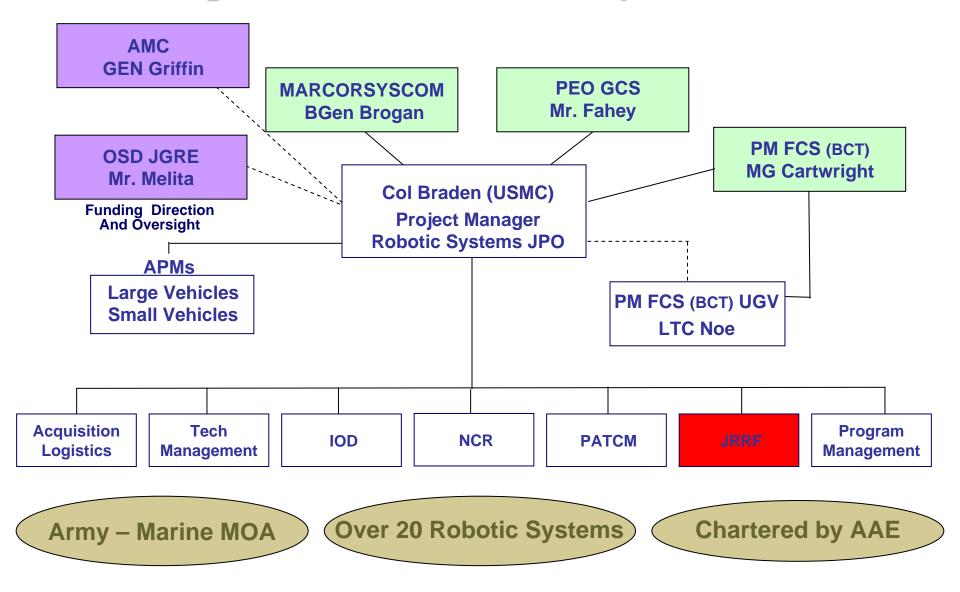
- Adaptive is better
- Inventory is dynamically positioned throughout
- Uses transportation flexibility and robust IT to handle uncertainty
- Initial S&R models look promising
- Supports distributed, adaptive ops

Prime Metric: Speed/Quality of Effects



# Who we are

## **RS JPO Organization / Relationships**





### **JRRF Mission**

Provide in-Theater Support for Joint Service Theater Provided Equipment (TPE) Ground Robots. Serve as Single "Belly Button" for OIF/OEF Training, Sustainment, Assessment, and Accountability.

#### Three Support Areas:

- 1 Current JRRF Operations
- 2 Joint Robot Repair Teams to Remote Users MTT's
- 3 Pre-Deployment Training and Support Capability

#### **Alignment**

- CENTCOM Strategy
- AMC Tasking
- JARB Guidance

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## 2006 Measures of Effectiveness (OIF)

# of Missions	# of Found & Cleared IEDs	# of Destroyed Robots
30,000	11,100	150





- 16,000 Robot Repairs Conducted Annually
- Find and Clear Rate is Approximately 37%
- SOP is to Employ a Ground Robot first
- Bomb Suits Only used When Terrain Prevents Robot Employment



## Joint Robot Repair Fielding (JRRF)























- Single "Belly Button" for In-Theater Sustainment & Accountability
  - 162 Bots (2004)
- 1800 Bots (2005) 4300 bots (Now)
- 6000+ est'd (2008)
- Pre-Deployment Training Sites JRRTs and Mobile Training Teams *Joint Reserves* (61%)
- 4 Hour Robot Turn-Around Standard Leveraging "Joint Float Pool Concept"
- Web-Accessible Supply Chain Management Started To Provide Global Visibility
  - Accountability
- Parts Reordering
- Reliability Tracking
- Trouble Desk Info

"One-Stop-Shop" for Spiral **Ground Robots** 

**Thousands** of Missions / Hundreds of **Lives Saved!** 

**Credible, Capable, Cost Effective** 



## What we do

- New technology insertion
  - Filling the "gap" between need it now and programs of record.



## JRRF-Iraq (Camp Victory)





# How we do it?

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# It's all about Performance Based Logistics (PBL)

### The Current (DAU) Definition:

PBL primary tenets are documentation of <u>WAR-FIGHTER</u> performance requirements as measurable metrics.

#### A fraction of the measurable metrics:

Operational Availability, Operational Reliability, Cost per Unit Usage, Total life cycle cost, Logistics Footprint, Logistics Response Time,

YADA, YADA, YADA



## What Joint Robotics Repair Facility Is Doing

- 1. Define the **WAR-FIGHTER**: As the private or crew member in the heat of it.
- 2. Understand what is important to the (war-fighter) private or crew member:

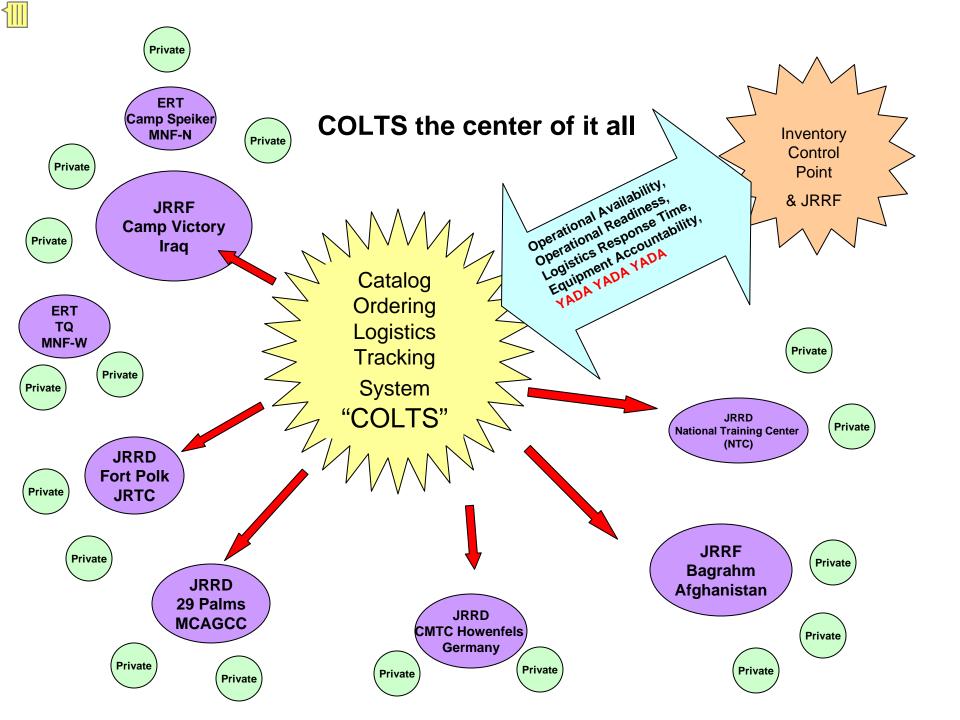
Time

Equipment that works

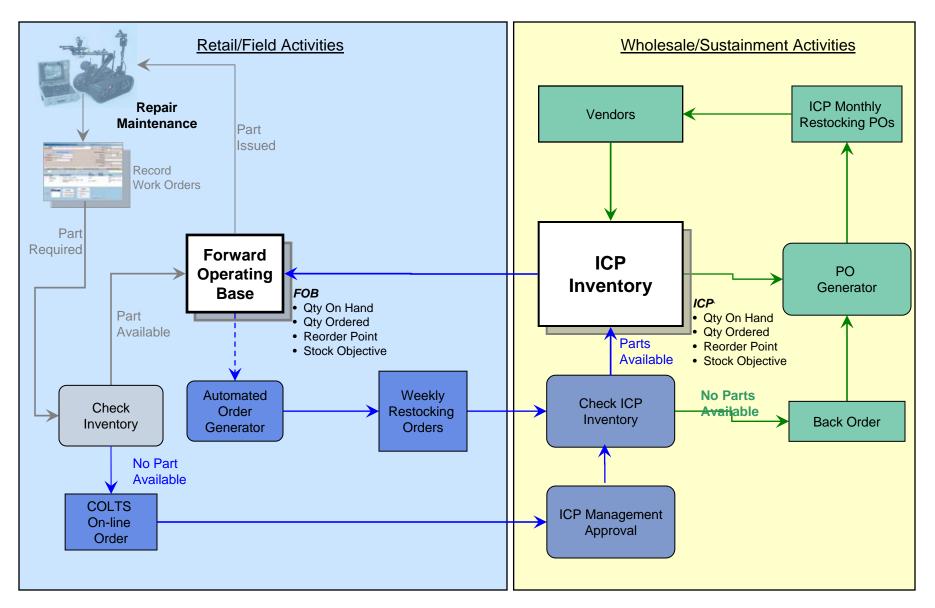
Time

3. Define PBL in a term the private or crew member understands.

We structure our support to be reactive to the private or crew member in the heat of it. He receives a robot in 4 hours or less PERIOD



# COLTS Supply Chain Overview



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## **Robotic Systems Joint Project Office**

**Supply Chain Management (SCM)** 

Catalog Ordering Logistics Tracking System (COLTS)

**And Item Unique Identification (IUID)** 

Don't just generate the data

**USE THE DATA**