



Closing Remarks Given by Dr. Myra Gray
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2010 DoD BIOMETRICS COLLABORATION FORUM

Wow, this has been an incredible few days!

Thank you so much for taking time out of your busy schedules to join us here in the Queen City of Charlotte. We greatly appreciate this beautiful city for rolling out the red carpet for us. Hasn't this been a GREAT facility? And what about all the restaurants and eateries? Yum! And the good thing is, with the easy access of so many options for food and

beverages, it meant we could spend more quality time sharing challenges and identifying solutions while we were here.

As you have just heard from the Way Ahead presentations, we have a lot to do. All of it important and urgent. Divide and conquer is the way to go.

So, let me summarize some of the results of your efforts this week:

1. Biometrics in DoD Strategic Documents:

- *Collaboration required to ensure mutually reinforcing themes*

2. In reviewing ABIS, the needs are:

- A Cross Domain Solution
 - Interoperability and Data Sharing
3. The audit by CJIS resulted in:
- Seven findings (CHRI data, TOTs, and traceability)
 - Knowing how to mitigate (Service Level Agreements, MOUs, MOAs)

4. & 5. Formalizing Requirements Process for Entry into DoD ABIS and Quality Measurement

Algorithms:

- ABIS Questionnaire could be utilized by current DoD stakeholders as an additional tool to track new requirements

6. Operational Performance Metrics:

- Consolidate enterprise metric efforts; get it done!

- Provide feedback mechanism via community dashboard (institutional efficiencies and operational effectiveness)

7. & 8. Architecture Objectives and Metrics and Building Interoperability through Architecture:

- *In large part, community agrees to architecture baseline approach including:*
 - *Common set of terms*
 - *Using the Joint Common System Function List (6212.01E)*
 - *Agreement of 3 primary goals for the Biometrics Enterprise Architecture (EA)*
 - *Interoperability*
 - *Family of Systems (JCIDS support)*
 - *Support warfighter/decision-maker*
- *Established a plan forward for the To Be EA*
- *Defined Interoperability at the EA level*

- *Discussed leveraging existing Cross Domain efforts and POCs*

9. Full-Spectrum Biometrics:

- “Approach to policy should be proactive not reactive”
- IA of biometrics systems is essential to enterprise solutions

10. Interoperability and Information Sharing:

- The discussion focused on identifying and alleviating roadblocks that prevent interoperability, including technology gaps and policy impediments, including:

11. Biometrics in Support of Identity Management:

- Discussion on the need for a friendly biometrics policy that allows for the collection and storage of

biometrics in support of base access, law enforcement and force protection operations.

12. IPM Implementation

- Duplication and fragmented, stove-piped R&D efforts across Services, industry, and academia
- Limited information sharing on R&D lessons learned across Services, industry, and academia

13. Afghan Overview:

- Current environment in Afghanistan and impact on biometrics operations
- Successes and challenges for Task Force Biometrics
- Current main missions for TF Bio and what operations, and organizational enhancements will lead to successful mission accomplishment

- Unique TF Biometrics efforts to fuse biometrics in intelligence processes and products

14. Biometrics Training:

- Leader and staff training MUST be addressed
- Leader's Handbook for Biometrics in Afghanistan from CALL will help fill doctrinal void

15. Data Latency:

- Team believes/has proven that with proper configuration by experts, the existing replication scheme (DSS) will suffice even in Afghanistan. Satisfies JUONS as written.

16. ISAF ABIS:

- Identified path to IOC and initiated development of a formal Project Plan

- More accurately scoped data transfer and retention architecture based on Intel, contextual, forensic and biometric data

17. Last Tactical Mile:

- PM DoD Biometrics Efforts:
 - PM has funded CERDEC to assist MITRE in development of solution
 - MITRE identified tactical radios as best alternative to provide this connectivity
 - Forward BAT data over tactical radio network (EPLRS, PRC 117G) using NORM protocol
 - Prototype completed 18 Jan 10

This is not an all-inclusive list, just a sampling of the results of your hard work. Thank you all for your efforts. The next step is to keep up the momentum, pressing forward to pursue solutions. This may be

the end of the collaboration forum, but it is the beginning of the collaboration toward success.

Before closing, I would like to take this opportunity to say *Thank You* to some key people who made this all possible:

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We very much look forward to doing this again! Safe Travels.