

➤ **ANGLICO Reinstatement**

DISCUSSION

In August 2002, the Commandant approved the reestablishment of Air/Naval Gunfire Liaison Companies (ANGLICO). ANGLICO consist of small teams that specialize in all aspects of fire support. They range in size from terminal-control firepower control teams to division fire-support coordination centers, with intermediate battalion supporting-arms liaison teams and regimental/brigade fire-support coordination centers. ANGLICO units will provide MAGTF commanders a liaison capability — with foreign area expertise — to plan, coordinate, employ, and conduct terminal control of fires in support of joint, allied, and coalition forces.

ANGLICO will be reestablished with a company on each coast and a separate brigade platoon in Okinawa. 1st ANGLICO will be at I MEF (Camp Pendleton) with a company headquarters and two brigade platoons. 2nd ANGLICO will be at II MEF (Camp Lejeune) with a company headquarters and two active-duty brigade platoons. Each company will have a well-established relationship with the Marine Corps Reserve. 5th ANGLICO (minus) will be at III MEF (Okinawa). Full operational capability is scheduled to occur by late summer 2004.

MARINE CORPS POSITION

The reinstatement of ANGLICO is a key element in the Marine Corps' overall effort to ensure that it can provide or direct critical fires when and where needed to achieve MAGTF, joint, and combined-force objectives.