



MARITIME STRATEGY PROJECT

Building a New Maritime Strategy: Confronting an Uncertain Future

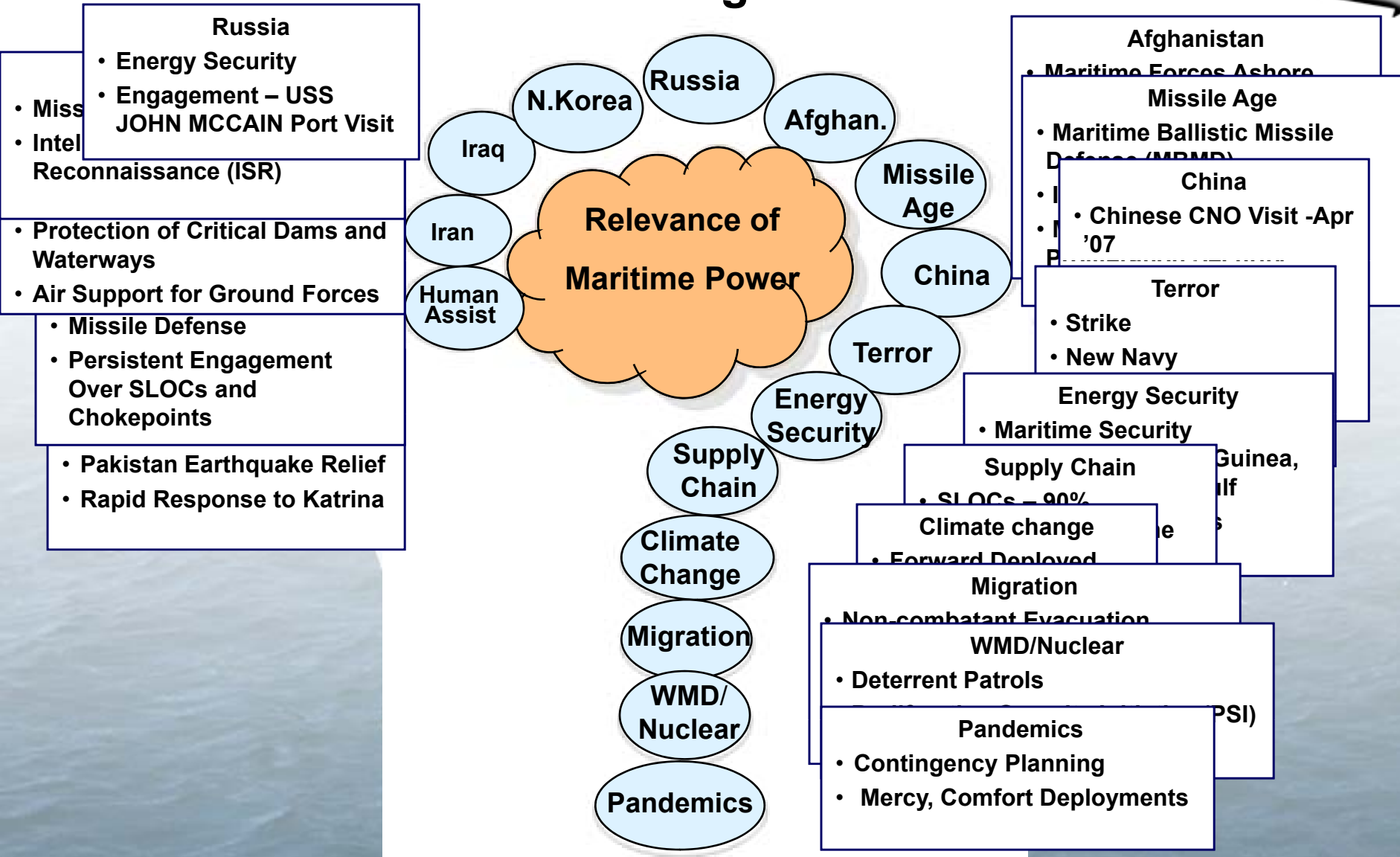
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The Question

Global Challenges and Risks



New Era...New Strategy



- **Current Strategy Forum June 2006, Newport, Rhode Island**
 - **CNO issued a Challenge for a New Maritime Strategy, Fitting of the Complex Era in Which We Live.**
- **Over the Past Year, the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard Embarked on an Open and Inclusive Path to Strategy Development**
 - **Naval War College Academic Research and Forums**
 - **Conversations with the Country/Executive Seminars**
 - **International Outreach**
- **Current Strategy Forum June 2007, Newport, Rhode Island**
 - **CNO, CMC, Comdt CG Will Discuss Initial Findings**

New Strategy...Initial Findings



- **Through a Competition of Ideas, We Have Identified Characteristics of an Emerging Global System**
 - **New Players**
 - **In a Fluid System**
 - **Nation States and Non-State Actors**
 - **New Competition – Accelerating Need for Resources**
 - **New Rules of the Game, But Little Experience**
 - **New Challenges and Dangers**
 - **New Organizing Principles**
 - **Thousand Ship Navy/Global Maritime Partnerships**
 - **New Social and Environmental Factors**
- **Goal: Stability and Prosperity of the Global System**

Global System in Transition – Unsettled, Potentially Dangerous

What is Different for this Strategy?



OLD

- Bipolar Global System
- Avowed Enemy
- Joint
- Win War
- National Interests
- Institutions, Organizations
- Secret

NEW

- Global System Changing – Fluid, Not Bipolar
- No Existential Enemy
- Beyond Joint – Interagency and Combined
- Do More, Prevent, Limit, Localize War
- Global Interests
- Networks, Communities
- Open and Inclusive

International Opinions are Essential



- **In Order to Enjoy Effective Cooperation, Effective Coordination Must Precede it.**
- **When Asked What Elements the New Maritime Strategy Should Include, Chiefs of Navies and Coast Guards Replied:**
 - **International Cooperation**
 - **Maritime Security**
 - **Threat and Crisis Response**
 - **Information Sharing**
 - **Regional Security**
 - **Interoperability**
 - **Protection of Commerce**
 - **Peacetime Operations**
 - **Enforcement of Law of the Sea (UNCLOS)**

Importance of the Law of the Sea



- **Supports Proliferation Security Initiative**
- **Legal Certainty in World's Largest Maneuver Space**
- **Military Activities Exempt from Dispute – No Courts or Arbitration**
- **Strategic Mobility, Global Access 24/7, 365 Days a Year**
- **Preserves Navigation and Overflight Rights**
 - **Right of Approach and Visit**
 - **Sovereign Immunity of Warships and Public Vessels**
- **Supports Combined Operations with Coalition Partners**
- **Sovereignty in Own Territorial Sea/Contiguous Zone**
 - **Enhances Port Security**

Eliminates Seams in the Coalition, Strengthens Partnerships

A Maritime Strategy for Global Seapower



- **Strategy Being Built Considering Common Interests and Common Needs.**
- **International Planning and Coordination**
 - **Continued Staffing and Visits Through Summer.**
 - **International Seapower Symposium, Newport, Rhode Island, October 2007.**
- **Why Important to this Forum?**
 - **Revalidation of the Importance of Maritime Forces to Each of Our Countries.**

“Maritime Security will only be as Great as the Cooperation Between Naval Powers in the Region.”

Admiral Roberto de Guimaraes Carvalho, Commandant, Brazilian Navy