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DELIVERING A DEPLOYABLE DEFENCE INTERROGATION CAPABILITY*(A Paper by the Defence HUMINT Policy Group for COS)***ISSUE**

1. The delivery of a viable deployable Defence Interrogation capability.

TIMING

2. Routine. COS' have been presented with the Future Support to HUMINT Operations Paper (CDI 3/1 dated 20 Dec 02) and will have noted that a study into the most effective way of providing and projecting the Defence interrogation capability was underway. If endorsed, the creation of this capability will coincide with the formation of the Defence HUMINT Unit (DHU).

RECOMMENDATIONS

3. COS' are invited to:
 - a. Note that this Paper only covers the requirements for a *deployable* interrogation capability but that its operational effectiveness relies on the early nomination of a properly constituted and trained Prisoner of War Handling Organisation (PWHO).
 - b. Agree that a permanent Joint Forward Interrogation Team (JFIT), as part of the DHU, consisting of ■ regular or FTRS personnel should be established by rationalising existing manpower.
 - c. ■
■ with the primary role of providing specialist linguistic support to HUMINT operations but with the secondary role of providing interrogators for a total of four additional JFITs thus protecting these essential personnel from injudicious efficiency savings.
 - d. Agree that the reservists required to support or form JFITs should be mobilised at the earliest opportunity.

BACKGROUND