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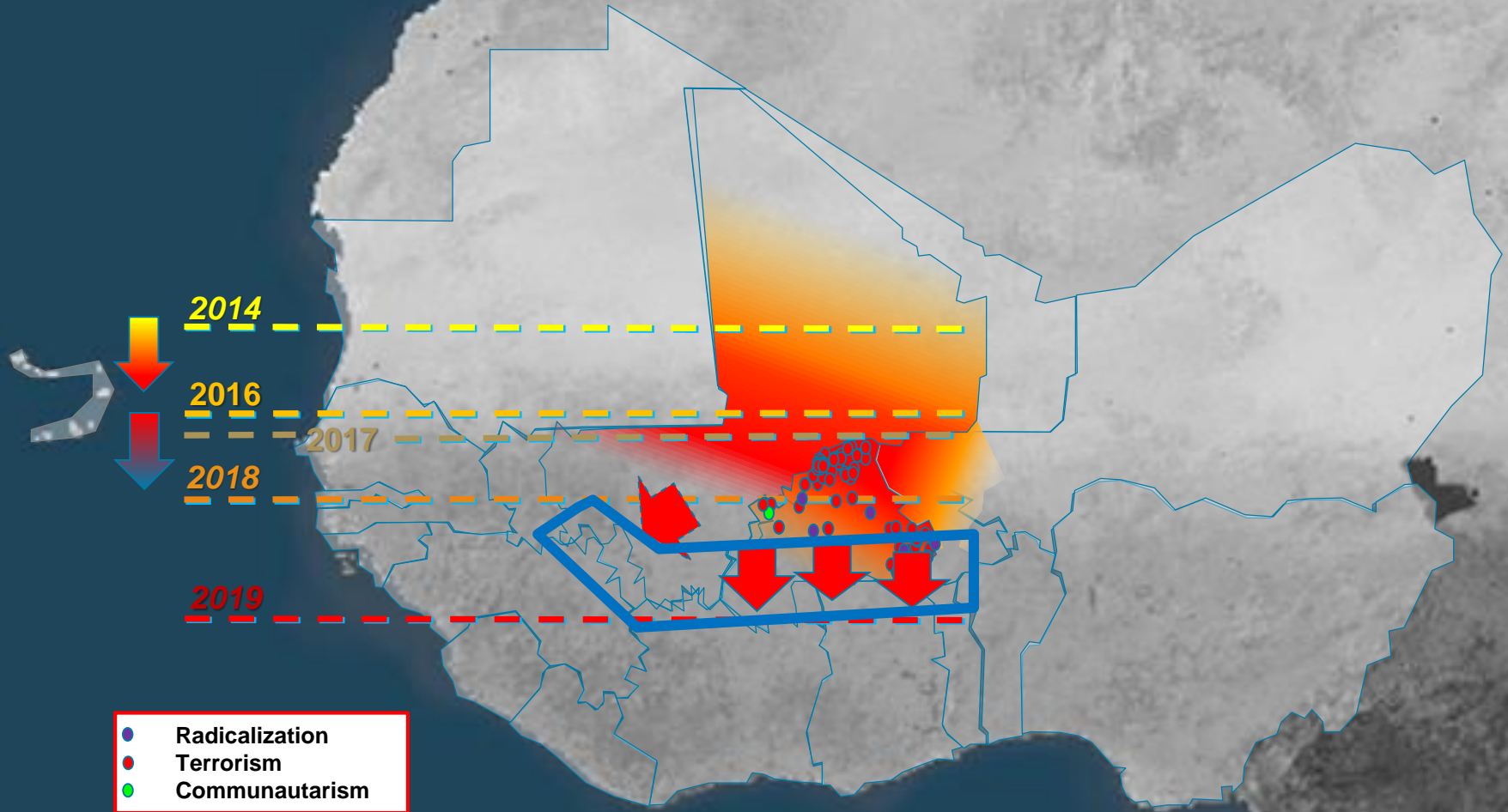
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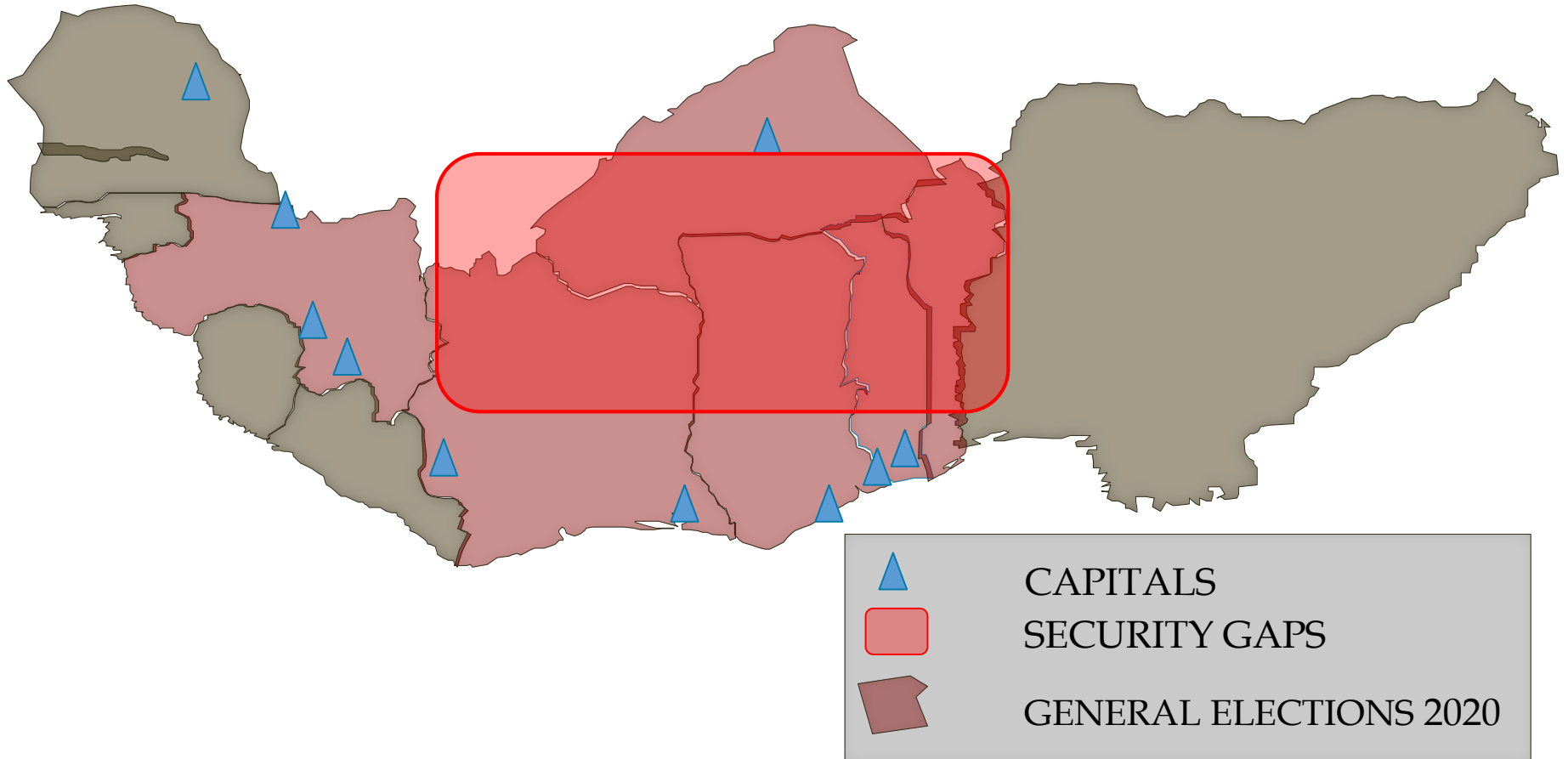
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# THREAT ASSESSMENT : the area of influence of the armed groups in Sahel since 2014



**The threat is a reality for the GoG countries.  
Djihadism vs ethnic rivalries**

# TIME & TERRAIN ANALYSIS : AN OPPORTUNITY FOR EXPANSION IN 2020



Threats and local vulnerabilities.



## *Long term trends*



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# REGIONAL SECURITY RESPONSES IN THE SAHEL



- ★ Capital
- Urban Area
- G5 Sahel Countries
- ▲ G5 Sahel Permanent Secretariat
- ▲ G5 Sahel Joint Force Headquarters
- ▲ G5 Sahel Command Post
- ⬭ G5 Sahel Joint Force Focus Areas
- MINUSMA Deployment
- 🇫🇷 Operation Barkhane (France)
- 🇪🇺 European Union Training Mission (EUTM) and European Union Capacity Building Mission (EUCAP)

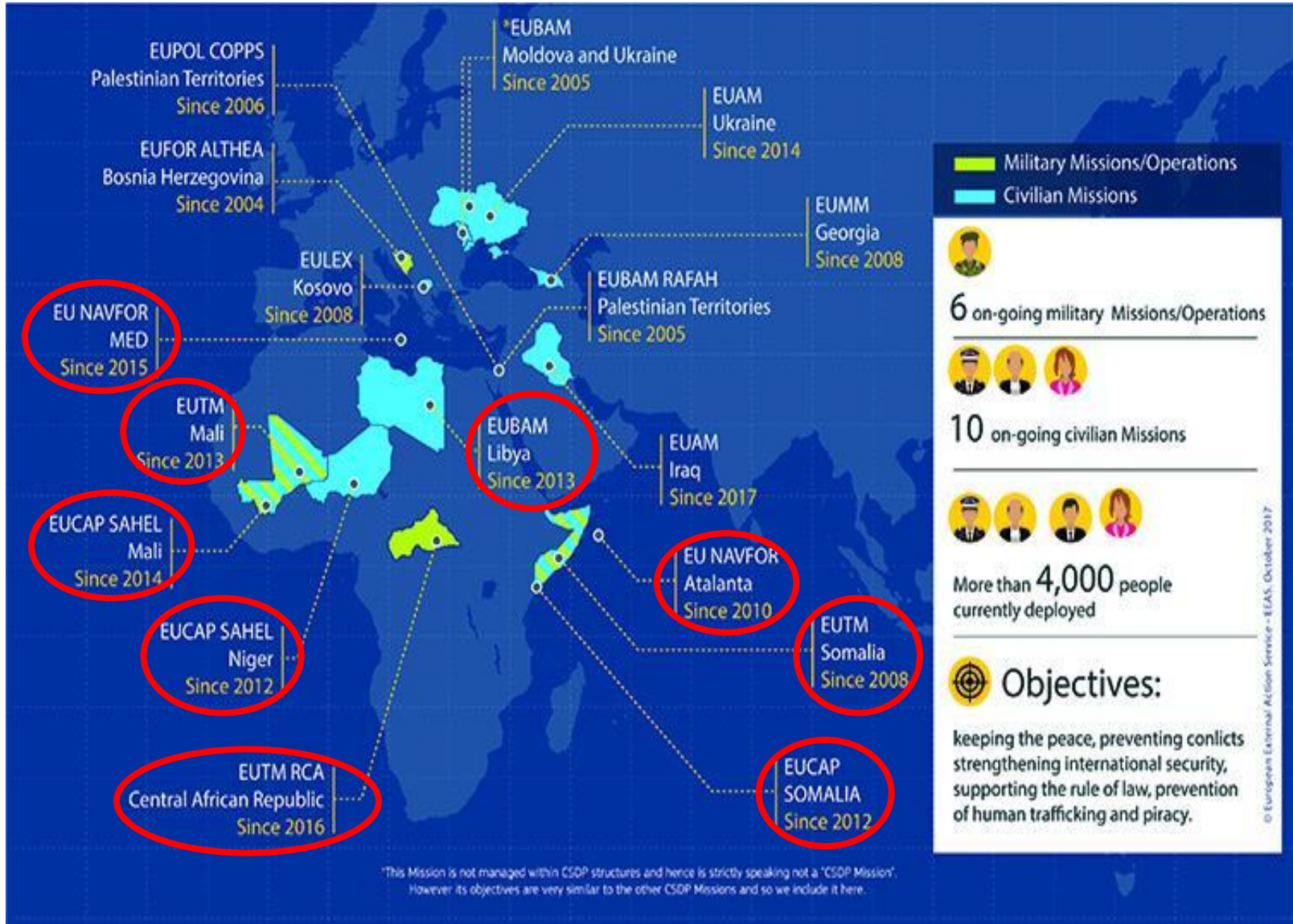
# Facts and Figures

Mission	Mandate	Location	Dates	Personnel Deployed	African Troops Deployed/ Trained	Annual Budget (\$ mil)
United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA)	UN Ch. VII Peace Operations	Mali	2013-present	15,900	8,250	1,070
G5 Sahel Joint Force	UN endorsed/ AU endorsed	G5 Sahel countries	2017-present	5,000	5,000	130
Operation Barkhane (France)	UN endorsed	Sahel	2014-present	4,500	n/a	797
EU Training Mission in Mali (EUTM)	EU military training mission	Mali	2013-present	580	12,000	34
EU Capacity Building Mission in the Sahel (EUCAP Mali)	EU civilian capacity building mission	Mali	2015-present	140	6,000	38
EU Capacity Building Mission in the Sahel (EUCAP Niger)	EU civilian capacity building mission	Niger	2012-present	200	13,000	36

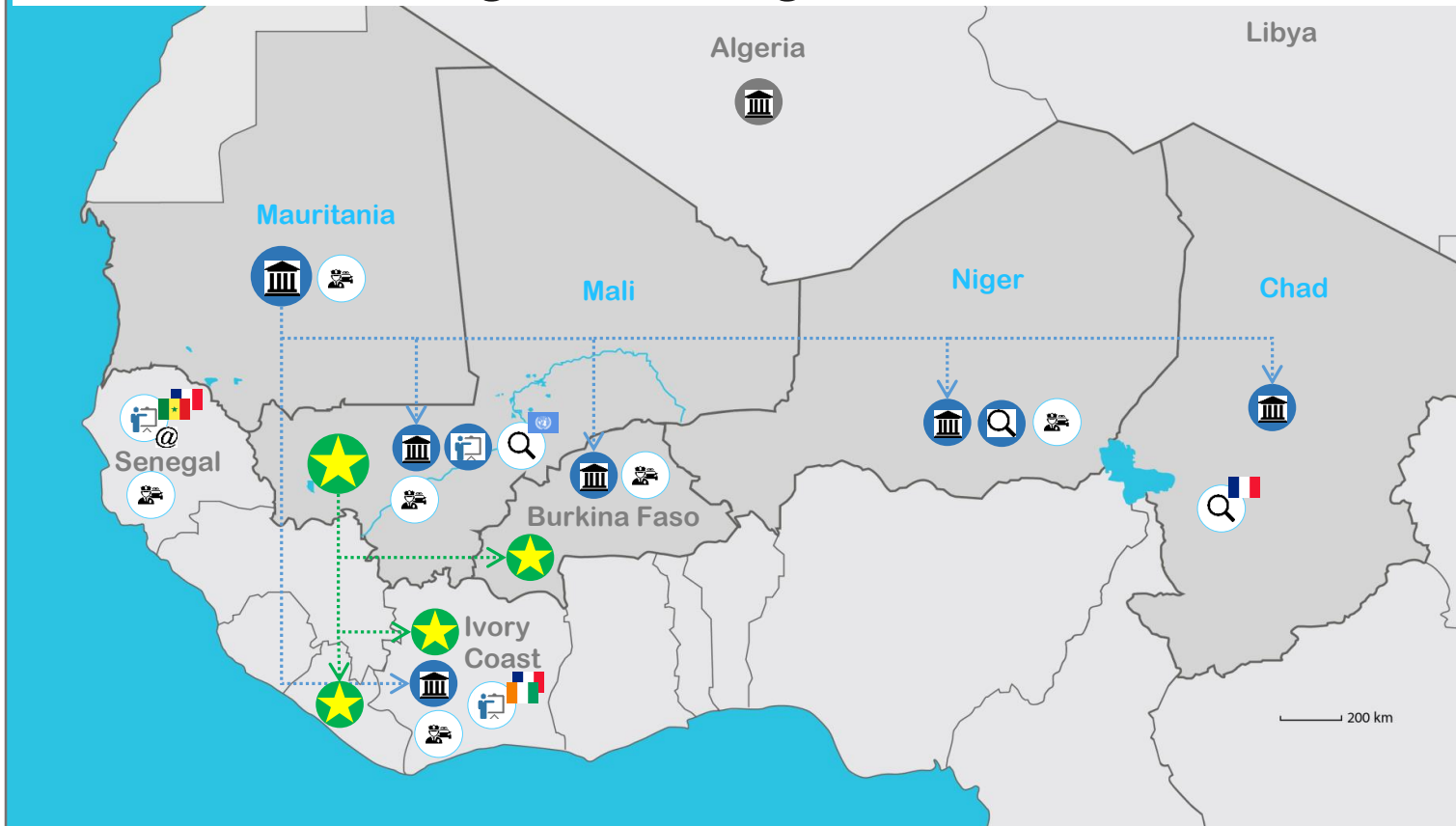
# FOCUS ON EU CURRENT MISSIONS AND OPERATIONS






9 out of 17 EU missions and operations are conducted in Africa....














2.533 people engaged through Africa in EU missions (4.000 in total, i.e. Africa is 55% of total EU CSDP troops)



# Information/Intelligence sharing initiatives in West Africa



-  Study and Research Center on terrorism / VEO
-  Regional Construct for the Early Warning and Response Mechanism
-  Civilian and military executives training center
-  Regional Intelligence / information Center
-  Program to enhance information

G5 Sahel	ECOWAS	Operation Barkhane	African Union	Bilateral cooperation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Sahelian Security College (SSC) -2018 - Bamako</li> <li> Regional Center for Threat Analysis and Early Warning - 2018 - Mauritania</li> <li> National Center for the Study and Strategy on Terrorism</li> <li> G5S JF Intelligence fusion Center -2018 - Niamey</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Regional Coordination Center for the Early Warning and Response Mechanism 2018 - Bamako</li> <li> National Coordination Center for the Early Warning and Response Mechanism</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> G2- Ndjamena</li> <li><b>UN</b></li> <li> MINUSMA – All Sources Information Fusion Unit (ASIFU) Bamako</li> <li><b>Interpol (ECOWAS+ MAUR)</b></li> <li> West Africa Police Information System (WAPIS) -2012-</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> African Center for the Study and Research on Terrorism (ACSRT) -2002- Algiers</li> <li><b>Community of Sahel-Saharan States (CEN-SAD)</b></li> <li> Regional Sahel-Saharan Anti-Terrorism Center - 2018- Cairo</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> FR-RCI : International Academy to C VEO (IACVEO) - 2018 - Abidjan</li> <li> FR-SENEGAL : National regionally-based vocational school - 2018 - Dakar</li> </ul>

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## ✓ *What is at stake – challenges*

- Reality: overstretched security forces
- Main challenge = ownership:  
KIS
  - ❖ building proper training capabilities
  - ❖ efficiency through continuity  
(educate – equip – train – accompany)
  - ❖ sustainability vs immediate needs
  - ❖ interagency integration

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- P3S/coordination of CVEO efforts in WA
- Barkhane (SOF, BSI)
- AILCT
- Maritime issues
- Coordination of African partners





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