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VIGILANT GUARDIAN 01-2

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Liability Period

Vigilant GUARDIAN 01-2	20 Aug 01
SIM	to
TRANSITION TO WAR	13 Sept 01

CAT play 20 - 31 August weekdays only 1/2 days

Operations play 6 - 9 Sept 1400z - 0200z, 10 - 13 Sept 24 hour Ops

* NOTE * NORAD Battlestaff 24 hour plays starts 9 Sept !!!

Participants

STRATCOM, NORAD, CONR, CANR

NEADS, SEADS, WADS

Required Support

All of NEADS, Operations Personnel are to have their Sim Switches Turned "ON" starting at 1400Z 6 Sept 01 till ENDEX. A Sim Test Track will be in place and Forward Told to both NORAD and CONR. Lateral Tell Lines to CANR, SEADS, RADIL, and WADS are to be placed in the Mixed Mode prior to Start-ex.

Scenario

Transition to War Operations

SPINS/Briefing

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From: Marr, Robert
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2001 8:40 AM
To: NEADS-ALL+TRADGUARD
Subject: VIGILANT GUARDIAN Exercise

This is a reminder that the Vigilant Guardian exercise begins today, with anticipated CAT operations. All buildings and unit personnel are participants, so please react accordingly. Here is an excerpt from the CVX intranet page on the exercise...

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23 Aug 01

MEMORANDUM FOR CC, CV, DO, DOC, LG, SC, SF

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SUBJECT: SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS (SPINS) VIGILANT GUARDIAN 01-2

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2. FYQ-93 CONFIGURATION: The exercise will be conducted Sim over Live on the Air Sovereignty string. The Q-93 must be placed in the Mixed Mode to allow the Telling of Sim tracks.
3. EXPANSIONS and EVACUATIONS: All expansions will be Real World. The losing sector will leave a pre-identified Hip Pocket team in place to handle any real world contingencies. NEADS' Hip Pocket manning will be contingent on real world requirements. However, it is expected that the manning level will be IAW the NEADS/DO directive on evacuation minimum manning levels. CVX-supplied "Evacuation Hip Pocket" badges will identify all Hip Pocket/Non-Player personnel. To facilitate coordination in the event of a Real World Unknown, the NEADS/DO should ensure that he remains in contact with his counterpart in the other sector via cellular phone. Except under exceptional circumstances, an expansion will not be terminated due to a Real World scramble.
4. COMPUTER SYSTEMS: To reduce the risk of damaging computer workstations in the SAOC, the computer monitors may be turned off to simulate powering down the

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systems. For security purposes, the Hip Pocket team will be responsible for the security of the systems within the Operations room and Battle Cab during an evacuation.

Similarly, although the OIF may be left in the Operation room during an evacuation, the Hip Pocket team will be responsible for its security. Planned power outages that require transfer to alternate power sources will have a ten-minute prior announcement to allow sensitive systems to be powered down under controlled conditions.

5. CHAT WINDOWS: see Annex K of EXPLAN.

6. LINKS: CVX will work closely with sector ICC personnel on link brief data. (There are no SIM links at startex.)

7. COP: Ensure all tracks of interest (sim or live) are input on the live chart. For exercise tracks use a X before all track numbers, eg. XB103, and use short names.

8. LOSS of PERSONNEL: For planning purposes, personnel killed or injured by an exercise input will be lost to the unit for the duration of the exercise. Existing plans and procedures should be followed to try to obtain augmentation for the scripted-out person, if required. All requests for backfill or augmentation should be staffed through normal channels.

9. OPREPS and FORM 61s: All OPREPs and Form 61s should be completed and forwarded to the applicable agencies IAW existing regulations. All OPREPs and Form 61s shall contain the caveat: "**FOR EXERCISE VIGILANT GUARDIAN 01-2.**" Additionally, all voice reports and exercise coordination phone calls will be prefaced and ended with "**EXERCISE VIGILANT GUARDIAN 01-2.**"

10. NON-PLAYERS: Building 102 is an exercise play area and its occupants may become subject to exercise play. NEADS civilian personnel play during the exercise will be determined by NEADS/CC. Actions that would be taken concerning those buildings, such as lock up, will be briefed to the Exercise Director. Within buildings 102, 700 and 702, all occupants are considered to be exercise participants and will be subject to the exercise unless identified as a Non-Player by means of a CVX-supplied "Hip Pocket" badge.

11. WEATHER: The EXPLAN directs the use of Real World weather conditions. However, certain scenarios may require specific weather conditions, such as wind direction. The Weather shop will be Trusted Agents for these situations and the weather conditions they provide will be used in spite of known weather conditions.

12. OTHER EVENTS: Any further events occurring prior to STARTEX that apply to NEADS will be presented at the initial exercise briefing or may be presented via Visual Teleconferences (VTCs) during the CAT Planning Phase.

13. HOTWASH: The Hot Wash for this exercise will be coordinated with NEADS/CC and determined at ENDEX.

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