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SUBJECT: CN> Support to Mexico Fusion Center

- (8) You asked for status of CN> support to the Mexico Fusion Center (MFC) and for the CN program to provide as much support as possible.
- (8) Bottom line up front: We have provided or are in the process of providing everything requested to date, primarily via USNORTHCOM. We understand MFC participants may make additional requests, which we will try to support, but requirements have not vet been established. (b)(1).

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- (8) Key examples of support provided include:
 - o (8) Initial set of 10 tempest-shielded SIPR and JWICS computers, Global Broadcast System and two work stations (NGA provided), switches, and Trojan Light communications suite (provided by USA INSCOM via DIA Jul 09)
 - (S) Upgraded comms package that includes a T3 terrestrial Line (29 Mg provided via NGA) and Tandberg VTC (provided via USNORTHCOM and DIA.) (Apr 10)
 - o (8) Three USNORTHCOM personnel, plus NGA, DIA, and NSA. All are TDY rotational representatives
- (8) Support underway, but incomplete, includes:
 - o (8) Five secure (TS/SCI) VOIP phones (awaiting DoS accreditation.)
 - o (8) Upgraded computer systems for SIPR, JWICS and NGA work stations (awaiting DoS accreditation.)
 - o (8) Two color scanners and 40-inch plasma for ISR feeds (awaiting DoS accreditation.)
 - o (8) Probable floor plan expansion in FY 11 which will require additional DoD infrastructure support. (DoS lead.)

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- (8) <u>Indirect</u> support (efforts not specifically for the MFC but which may enhance its capabilities or which support multiple functions) include:
 - o (U) Embassy bandwidth expansion to support US-Mexican communications.
 - o (C) Acquisition and installation of Combined Enterprise Regional Information Exchange System (CENTRIXS) for secure communications between U.S. and Mexican military forces. After appropriate information sharing agreements are concluded, this may be expanded to include US and Mexican LEAs.
 - o (U) Military communications upgrades focused on the Ciudad Juarez region.
 - o (8) CN> funding for portions of DIA, NSA and NGA analysis support.
 - o (U) Training, equipment, and information sharing to support Mexican units (e.g. special operations TTPs; helicopter flight, maintenance and support; information analysis; Mexican reconnaissance aircraft upgrades and sustainment; combat lifesaving; night operations; and related areas.)

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- (8) <u>Potential</u> areas for additional CN> support for which requirements and resourcing remain undefined include:
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 - (8) Supporting one or more combined/interagency Mexican fusion centers, possibly including northern and southern regional cells. USNORTHCOM recommends these centers be kept separate from the current MFC for the following reasons: differences in USG agencies' authorities; Mexican interagency coordination difficulties; the current USG-only MFC is classified as (NOFORN) with a focus exclusively on high value targeting.

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COORDINATION: Attached.