Iowa Air National Guard Cyber Protection Team

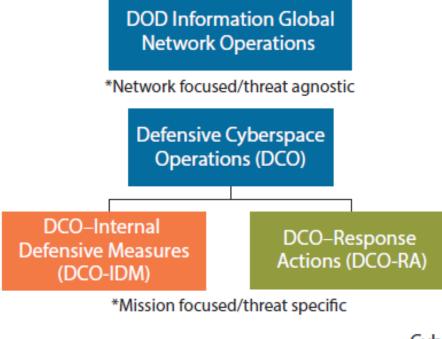
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Overview



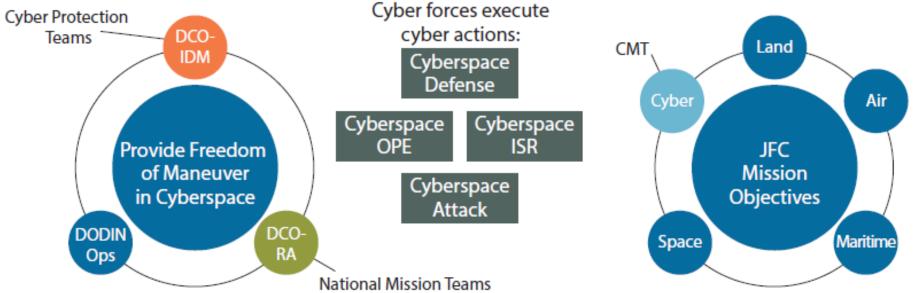
- Cyber Mission Force
- Defensive Cyber Operation Capabilities
- Air National Guard Cyber Protection Teams
- 168th Cyber Operations Squadron Domestic Operations
- Domestic Ops Example Cyber Shield 2016
- Power of the Iowa Citizen Airmen



Offensive Cyberspace Operations

* Project power in and through cyberspace





Supported by all-source intelligence, information technology, and routine communications activities

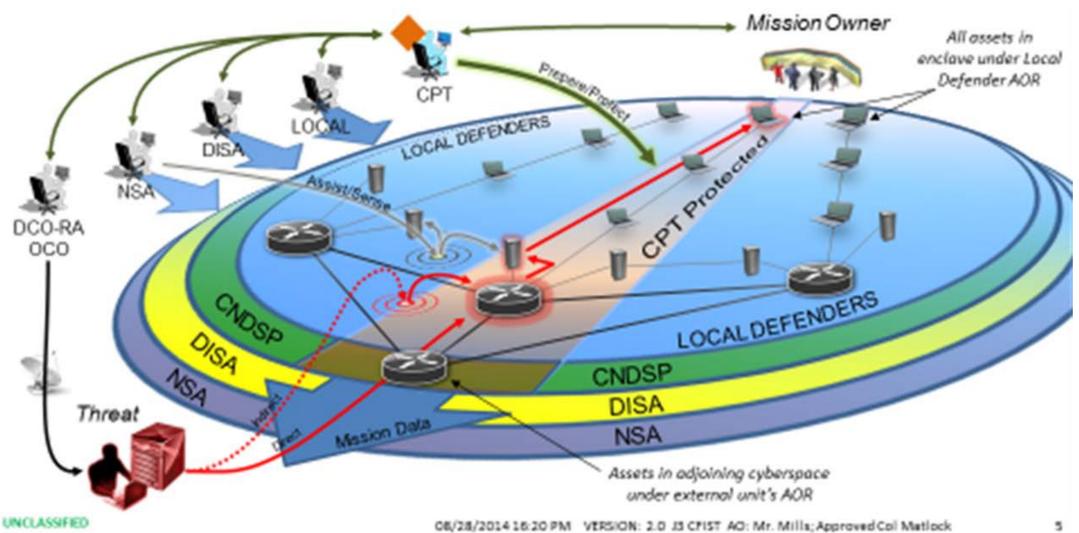
Defensive Cyber Operations (DCO)



- Mission Focused, Threat Specific, & Intelligence Driven
- Capabilities
 - Identify Key Terrain-Cyber (KT-C)
 - Discover, Detect, Analyze, & Mitigate Threats (includes insider threats)
- DCO-Internal Defensive Measures (IDM)
 - Hunt on friendly cyber terrain
 - "Stop the arrow" not the archer
- DCO-Responsive Actions (RA)
 - Reactive defense "Stopping the shooter"
 - Mission of National Mission Teams under USCYBERCOM

CPT Area of Operation





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CPT Employment



- CPTs execute three distinct missions (Survey, Secure, Protect)
 - Survey Mission -- Plan, Survey
 - Secure Mission -- Plan, Survey, Secure
 - Protect Mission -- All stages
- Each employment stage is dependent upon the previous one
- Each CPT squad has a unique role during each stage

Cyber Protection Teams (CPT)



CYBER LEADERSHIP C2, Planning CPT Intelligence				
 Conducts compliance analysis Provides detailed baseline evaluation Coord/Conduct participative & non- participative Defense Evaluation (PDE/NPDE) Recommendations to RMP & MDP Ongoing monitoring Assists in technical response actions 	 Map Key Terrain- Cyber (TK-C) Provides input to RMP Assists in RMP implementation Provides training to local defenders 	 Lead for Id TK-C Conducts comprehensive mission/risk analysis Lead for Risk Mgt Plan (RMP) Lead for MSN Defense Plan (MDP) 	 Conducts recon to Id preexisting or active threats Performs post exploitation forensics Composes damage assessment Assists in RMP & MDP Supports PDE & NPDE 	 Coordinate, collect, & share threat intelligence & TTPs Instructs on threat TTPs Conducts PDE and NPDE penetration testing Emulates threats Assists in RMP & MDP

Force Packages By the Numbers



Scope

Mission-ready cyber professionals

Configuration



Member teams consisting of

- 1 Team Lead
- 1 Infrastructure Tech
- 1-2 Analysts
- 3-4 Cyber Operators

Employment

5 solo missions2 formations



Can be either employed individually or as a coordinated multi-team package

Equipment

200+

Industry-standard tools are utilized by teams on standalone mission systems (local and remote capable)

Air National Guard *Cyber Protection Teams*



- Federal: Support the 24 AF operations with trained and ready cyberspace protection teams (CPT) to fill USCYBERCOM's Cyber Mission Force taskings
- **State of Iowa**: Ensure cyber preparedness and incident response for rapid internal state-level and national coordination needed to defend against cyber incidents across local, state and private industry partnerships



168th Cyber Operations Squadron Force Packages for the State of Iowa



CYBER LEADERSHIP

Authority for force planning, coordination, synchronization, and execution

SURVEY/ASSESS

Evaluates/sustains compliance and readiness

- Conducts compliance analysis
- Provides detailed baseline evaluation
- Enhances/establishes compliance monitoring
- Evaluates technical and risk mitigation measures; highlights shortfalls

PREVENT/RESPOND

Improves defense and augments response

- Conducts comprehensive mission/risk analysis
- Performs vulnerability assessments
- Enhances/implements mitigations
- Augments incident response

INVESTIGATE/EMULATE

Detects, illuminates, and emulates threats

- Identifies preexisting or active threats
- Instructs on threat TTPs
- Performs post exploitation forensics
- Composes damage assessment
- Conducts penetration testing and documents findings

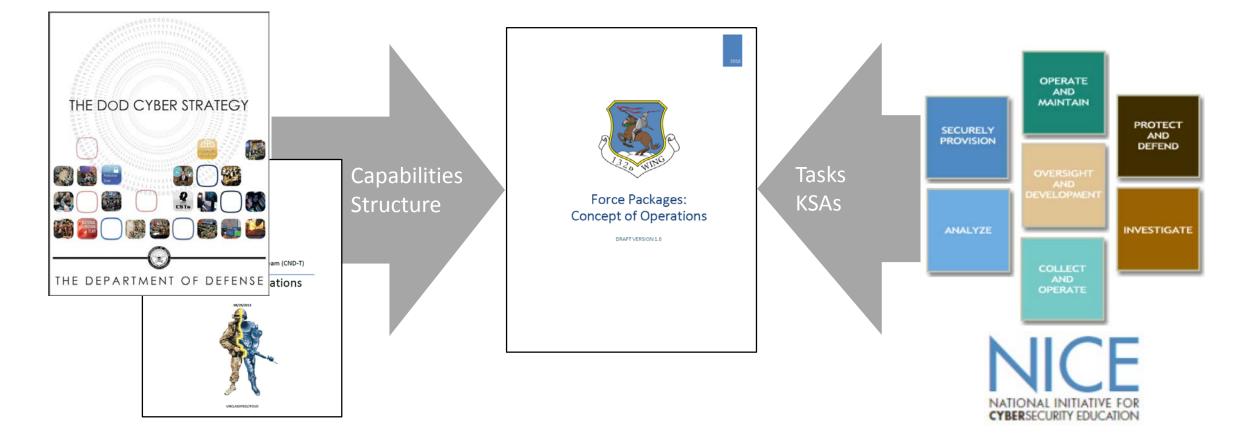
TRAIN/DEVELOP

Identifies, plans, and conducts training for local defenders

- Reviews effectiveness of ops, policies, and procedures
- Evaluates training needs and develops training plan
- Performs immediate onsite training and recommends future formal instruction

Force Packages Development Philosophy





Cyber Shield 2016 *Background*



- Two-week defensive cyber operations (DCO) training exercise
- Over 900 participants from state government agencies, federal agencies, industry partners, and academia
- 16 members from the 132d Cyber Operations Squadron (COS) participated in a variety of roles
 - Mission Protection (Blue Team)
 - Cyber Threat Emulation (Red Team)
 - Exercise Technical Analysis (White Team)
 - Intelligence Fusion Analysis
 - JAG Leadership

Cyber Shield 2016 Lessons Learned

- Relationships are critical; need for advance planning and partnering before incident arise
 - Industry Partner (i.e. acquaintance with our critical infrastructure industry partners systems in advance of a cyber event)
 - Agencies (FBI / Law Enforcement)
 - Legal (JAG)
 - Intel
 - Other states
- Ability to effectively adapt to uncertainties is crucial
 - Loss of network / range functionality
 - Loss of critical services (domain controller, web server, firewall, IDS/IPS)
 - Having to obtain supported partner's approval for network hardening requests

- Teams need a strong balance of technical skills and non-technical skills
 - Technical
 - Network Traffic Analysis
 - Windows / Linux Command Line
 - Network / Server / Host Administration
 - Cyber Incident Response
 - Malware Analysis
 - Triage /Incident Response Digital Forensics
 - Non-Technical
 - Teamwork
 - Composure
 - Communication
 - Indicators of Compromise and link analysis
 - Assertiveness, Leadership, & Followership
 - Ability to learn

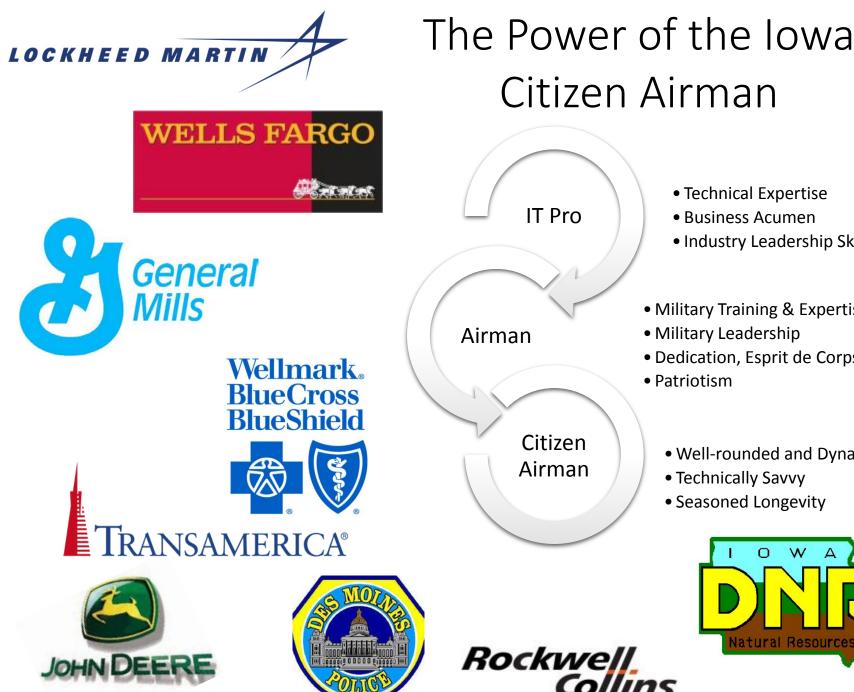


Cyber Shield 2016 *Legality*

- Cyber Shield JAG Mission
 - To ensure the legality of our defensive cyber operations
 - Protect States/DoD/service members from liability
 - Integrate Judge Advocates (JA) with CPTs
 - Enhance partnerships with federal and state agencies involved in cyber operations
 - Maximize training for JAs and operators in domestic cyber operations and cyber law

- Cyber Law Key Tasks
 - Anticipate and identify potential legal issues; JAs prepared Cyber Shield legal resources guide
 - Train cyber teams to recognize cyber legal issues and engage JAG based on pre-approved actions
 - Embed JA with CPT to maximize JA training in Cyber operations; learn the area of operations
 - Draft documents to ensure successful coordination and understanding between the National Guard, the agency partner and interagency partners
- Iowa Air National Guard FY17-18 Cyber Law Next Steps
 - Cyber Operations Squadron (COS) Concept of Operations legal review
 - Cyber MOU/MOA's with Iowa State University and State of Iowa OCIO using the Iowa Communications Network, Minnesota Air National Guard (ANG)/Army Computer Network Defense Team, MidAmerican Energy, U.S. Air Force Academy Computer Science Department/Cyber Innovation Center
 - Iowa NG Cyber MOU and non-disclosure agreement template for future Cybersecurity support
 - Legal Review of Cyber Airmen Status to support T10 Missions





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• Industry Leadership Skills

Military Training & Expertise

- Military Leadership
- Dedication, Esprit de Corps

• Well-rounded and Dynamic

- Technically Savvy
- Seasoned Longevity



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Questions

