



MQA-9

LOCAL ARMY EXERCISES

PREREQUISITIES: MQA-8

REQUIRED READING: None

PURPOSE: Familiarize ALO With the Various Local Army Exercises.



OVERVIEW

- ◆ **SIMULATION EXERCISES**
- ◆ **SQUAD AND PLATOON LANES**
- ◆ **COMPANY/TEAM (CT) LANES**
- ◆ **TASK FORCE (TF) LANES**
- ◆ **BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM (BCT) LANES**
- ◆ **COMBINE ARMS LIVE FIRE EXERCISE
(CALFEX OR FCX)**



SIMULATION EXERCISES



◆ TOCEX

- ◆ A “Seating Exercise”
- ◆ XO Runs the TOC
- ◆ Ensures the Smooth Operation of “His TOC.”
- ◆ Run Through a Mission Briefing or Battle Update Brief
- ◆ Includes a Connectivity Drill
- ◆ ALO (or BALO/BN ETAC at the Battalion Level) Should Attend



SIMULATION EXERCISES



◆ TOCEX

- ◆ Aggressive XO May Run a Deep Fight Drill
- ◆ ALO Can Suggest a CAS Drill



SIMULATION EXERCISES



◆ CCTT

- ◆ “Driving” Simulators in the CCTT Building
- ◆ No Real Role for the ALO
- ◆ Some Tactical Utility for ETACs
 - ◆ Practice With the Battalion S-3 or Commander
 - ◆ Communications Exercises on the Battalion Command Net
 - ◆ VERY Limited CAS Execution in Close Proximity to Friendly Forces



SIMULATION EXERCISES



- ◆ **Brigade Command Post Exercise**
 - ◆ Commonly Known As a JANUS Exercise
 - ◆ Full TOC and TAC Manning (Including Bn)
 - ◆ Primary Purposes of These Exercises Are to Train the Brigade and Battalion TOC and TAC Staffs
 - ◆ There Is a Requirement for Air Force Support in Both the Simulation Cell and the Evaluation Team



SIMULATION EXERCISES



- ◆ **Warfighter and Warfighter Ramp-up**
 - ◆ A JANUS Exercises for the Division and Corps
 - ◆ Practice Working With Other Air Force Sections



SQUAD AND PLATOON LANES



- ◆ **Smallest Army Force-on-force Exercises**
- ◆ **No Direct TACP Support for These Units**



COMPANY/TEAM (CT) LANES



- ◆ **Company Sized Force-on-force Exercises**
- ◆ **No Direct TACP Support for These Units**



TASK FORCE (TF) LANES



- ◆ **Battalion Sized Force-on-force Exercises**
- ◆ **Bn TACP Run CAS Drills**
- ◆ **ALO Make Mini-ATO**



BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM (BCT) LANES



- ◆ **Outgrowth of TF Lanes**
- ◆ **For the Brigade ALOs, BCT Lanes Are Essentially the Same As TF Lanes**
- ◆ **Division ALOs Should Contact Division Chiefs-of-staff to Determine the Amount and Nature of Division Level ALO Play**



COMBINE ARMS LIVE FIRE EXERCISE (CALFEX OR FCX)



- ◆ **Brigade-wide Live Fire Exercise**
- ◆ **ALO Coordinate With the Division G-3 and Range Control at Least Two Months Prior to the CALFEX**
- ◆ **Range Restrictions Require No Artillery Fire During the First CAS Pass**
- ◆ **Live Drops in PD-94 Are Difficult Due to Tight Restrictions**
- ◆ **ALO Should Contact Range Control Early**



REVIEW



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QUESTIONS

