Military Training Opportunities

Volunteers units have repeatedly remarked in after-action reports that JTF North homeland security support missions provided them with the best training they have ever received. Missions yield significant real world training value that enhances the volunteer unit's combat effectiveness against thinking, moving, and dynamic threats.

Volunteer units are able to exercise 90% of their wartime mission tasks in unique training environments which may include desert or mountainous terrain. Military support operations to law enforcement closely mirror duties that units will perform in contingency deployments, to include military command structures that support civilian authorities.

While executing JTF North missions, units may also concurrently conduct additional training at some of the nation's best training ranges located near the mission sites. Moreover, flexibility in mission execution dates allows units to integrate JTF North missions into their pre-deployment training cycle.

To maximize training value to the unit, JTF North assigns field grade officers as mission planners to assist volunteer units throughout the entire mission planning and execution process.

To encourage volunteer units, JTF North normally funds most mission related costs, to include: transportation of personnel and equipment, billeting and rations, expendable supplies, and service support contracts required for mission accomplishment.

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Joint Task Force North

Joint Task Force North based at Fort Bliss, Texas, is a joint service command comprised of active duty and reserve component Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, Coast Guardsmen, Department of Defense (DOD) civilian employees, and contracted support personnel.

JTF North is the DOD organization tasked to support our nation's federal law enforcement agencies in the identification and interdiction of suspected Transnational Criminal Organizations' (TCOs) activities conducted within and along the approaches to the continental United States.

JTF North, an element of U.S. Northern Command (USNORTHCOM), operates within the entire USNORTHCOM area of responsibility --- encompassing the North American continent, Bahamas, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Virgin Islands; in the air, land, and sea approaches.

Mission

Joint Task Force North supports
Drug Law Enforcement Agencies in the conduct of
Counter Drug/Counter Narco-Terrorism operations
in the USNORTHCOM area of responsibility to
disrupt transnational criminal organizations and
deter their freedom of action in order to
protect the homeland.

Vision:

Be the most effective integrator of
DOD capabilities for Law Enforcement Agencies
in support of homeland defense

Military Homeland Security Support

JTF North missions support the Drug Law Enforcement Agencies (DLEA). All military support for homeland security is based on support requests and threat assessments. Support requests are submitted to JTF North by designated federal law enforcement agencies from the Department of Homeland Security and Department of Justice.

For support requests that are appropriate and in compliance with statutory guidelines for domestic employment of military forces, JTF North will seek military units to volunteer to provide the requested operational support. Once a unit volunteers to support DLEA, JTF North facilitates mission planning and execution with the unit and the supported agency. In accordance with DOD policy, missions must be of limited duration, provide training value to the volunteer unit, support a counter-drug effort, and contribute to national security goals.

JTF North is an effects multiplier assisting law enforcement agencies to secure the homeland by providing supplemental and unique capabilities.

JTF North support to federal law enforcement agencies falls into the following six categories:

"Our vision is for JTF-N to be the most effective integrator of DOD support to LEAs. Fostering our important relationships with LEAs, State National Guard counterdrug task forces, and the Mexican military is vital to securing our nation's borders against drug traffickers and their associated criminal activities."

General Jacoby, Commander USNORTHCOM,
Excerpt statement before the Senate Armed Services Committee
13 March 2012

- **Operational Support**
  - Air, Ground, and Maritime Surveillance Radar
  - Aviation Support Operations
  - Aviation Reconnaissance
  - Ground Sensor Operations
  - Ground Transportation
  - Unmanned Aircraft Systems
- **Engineering Support**
  - Border Lights Installation
  - Personnel / Vehicle Barriers
  - Road / Bridge Construction and Improvement
- **Intelligence Support**
  - Intelligence Analytic Support
  - Intelligence Preparation of the Operational Environment
  - Geospatial Intelligence Support
  - Reserve Intelligence Analyst Support
- **General Support**
  - Transportation
  - Tunnel Detection
  - Sustainment
- **Interagency Synchronization**
  - Cooperative Defense – Facilitating bi-national info sharing
  - Point of Integration Operations
  - Support interagency planning process
- **Technology Integration**
  - Biometrics
  - Ground/ Air/ Maritime sensor integration
  - Information Efficiency and Networks
  - Leverage Department of Defense science & technology investment