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Los Angeles Federal Protection

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<u>Purpose</u>: To inform Commander, USNORTHCOM the federal protection mission in support of DHS operations in MacArthur Park, Los Angeles.

INPUTS:

- External planning product from 1-18 CAV/79 IBCT
- Coordination products
- Applicable authorities (Title 10, SRUF, interagency agreements)
- Commander's critical information requirements (CCIR)

OUTPUTS:

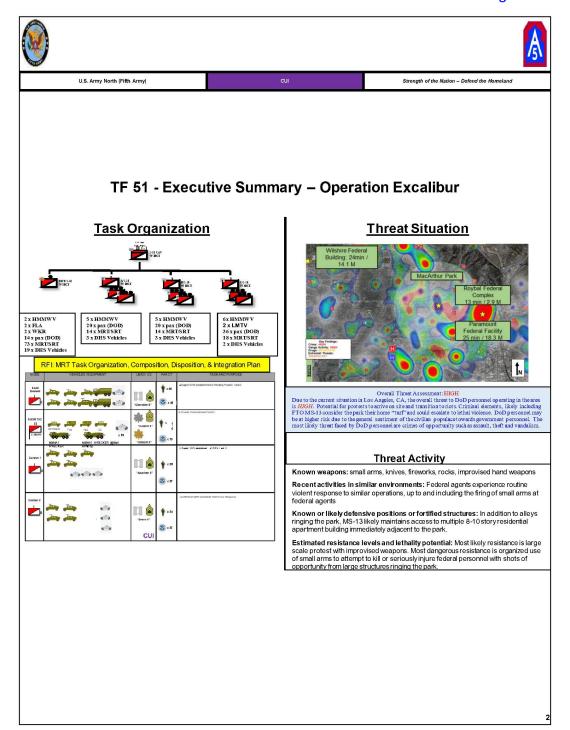
- Shared understanding
- External plan's key concepts and
- Clarified task and purpose for supported/supporting roles.
- Identified operational seams, gaps, or risk areas
- Commander's guidance for coordination.
- Recommended actions or refinement priorities for the staff.

AGENDA:

- 1. This brief provides the commander an overview of the planned mission in support of $\underline{\text{the Los Angeles Federal}}$ Protection Mission at Mac Arthur Park - Operation Excalibur.
- General Concept of:
 Task Organization

 - · Operational Environment (Situation)
 - Civil Analysis & Mission
 - Concept of the Operation
 - Concepts of Medical, Sustainment, Communications
 - Risk Analysis/Mitigation & Contingencies

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MacArthur Park Background Update

MacArthur Park as an Immigration Enforcement Objective

MacArthur park functions as the largest open-air market of fake identification to enable illegal immigration and human trafficking in the Southwest United States. Entire sections of the 35 square acre park host open buying and selling of fake identification and other illegal goods in broad daylight. Federal agents confirmed that these activities continued at MacArthur park within the last week.

MacArthur Park Symbolic Significance

The founding location of MS-13, MacArthur park represents an area of historic lawlessness where criminal organizations openly defy local and federal law, including immigration law.

Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) Intent for MacArthur Park Operations

CBP intends to conduct a large patrol of MacArthur park to detect, detain or deter activity that enables illegal immigration and human trafficking while demonstrating the ability of federal agencies to conduct law enforcement operations anywhere in Los Angeles.

CBP "Clear" definition in this operation: Dismounted presence patrol for consensual encounters across the entirety of a designated area

- -NO FAST ROPE INSERTION; ROTARY WING FOR MEDEVAC ONLY
- -REDUCED TRAFFIC CONTROL POINTS (TCP)
- -SIMPLIFIED SCHEME OF MANEUVER TO REDUCE TIME ON TARGET
- -UPDATED ABORT CRITERIA TO INCLUDE IDENTIFICATION OF 1,000 PAX OR LARGER PROTEST WITHIN 3 MILES OF PARK
- -CBP PLANS TO USE HORSES IN NORTH END OF PARK FOR PRESENCE AND CONTINGENCY CROWD CONTROL
- NO BOAT IN LAKE
- -SLOW MOVEMENT THROUGH PARK FOR CONSENSUAL ENCOUNTERS
- -NO RESTRICTION OF PEACEFUL MOVEMENT OF INDIVIDUALS TO/THROUGH/FROM PARK

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Civil Analysis

Civilian population density in target area and potential for collateral damage: High density of civilians in complex urban terrain, moderate to high potential for collateral damage if threat activity requires use of lethal force in a kinetic engagement.



Population

Local Population density is **High**; Estimate is nearly **20,000** People live in the adjacent blocks to MacArthur Park. Majority of Buildings are Mixed-Use Commercial/Residential with Medium to High Density.

Local Law Enforcement DHS will provide two hours notice of the operation to LAPD; LAPD will provide law enforcement response unrelated to immigration enforcement.

- Consulate General of Mexico In Los Angeles
 Department of Public Social Services, County of Los Angeles
- Charles White Elementary School MacArthur Elementary School
- Grandview Retirement Center
- Harold McAlister High School
- Solidad Charter School

On order, 1-18th Cavalry Squadron provides static interagency site protection, mounted mobile security, and Joint Force Land Component Command (JFLCC)
Reserve support to Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) and supporting federal agencies, whose intent at MacArthur Park is to demonstrate, through a show of presence, the capacity and freedom of maneuver of federal law enforcement within the Los Angeles Joint Operations Area (JOA).

<u>Purpose:</u> The purpose of this operation is to enable and protect the execution of joint federal law enforcement missions in a high-visibility urban environment, while preserving public safety and demonstrating federal reach and presence.

- Secure Key Terrain: Protect DHS security points and blocking positions.

 Provide Area Security: Safeguard federal personnel and designated federal
- property.

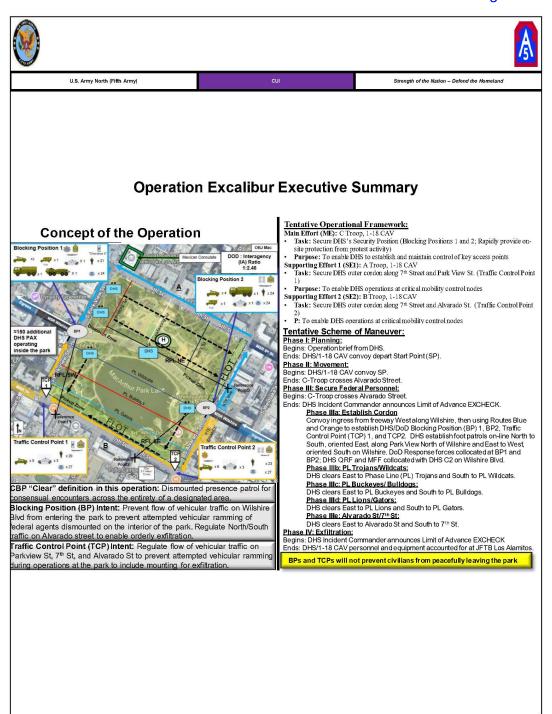
 Enable Civil Freedom of Movement: Do not restrict pedestrian movement.
- Support Law Enforcement: Do not conduct law enforcement activities; detain individuals only in response to an imminent threat and transfer to law enforcement as soon as practicable.
- Comply with Rules for the Use of Force: Operate IAW Standing Rules for the Use of Force (SRUF); use force only when authorized and necessary

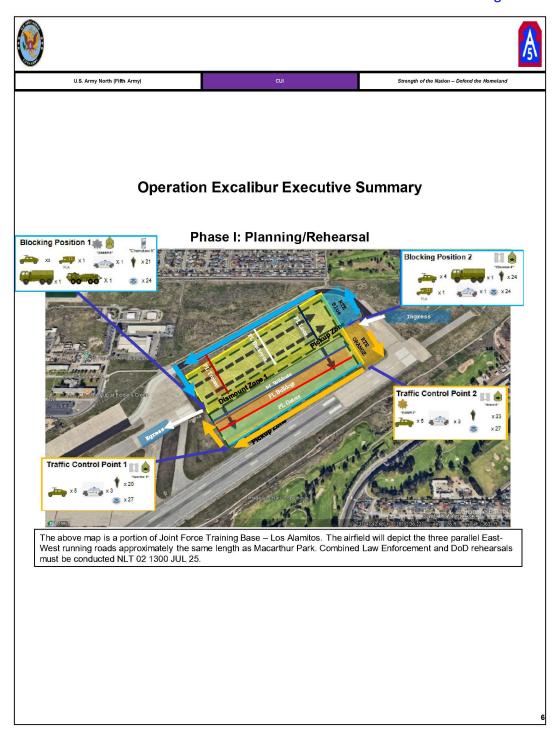
(Friendly) 1-18th CAV forces remain postured to respond to emergent requirements, then successfully retrograde in an organized manner without incident.

(Threat) Potential civil unrest is deterred or contained in the supported area

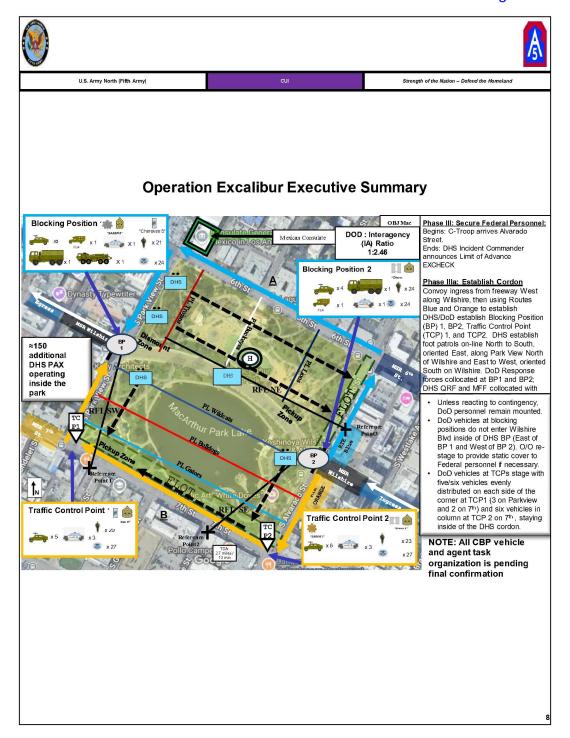
(Terrain) Federal personnel and property in the vicinity of MacArthur Park remain secure, with DHS personnel at security positions and DHS outer cordon maintained without disruption.

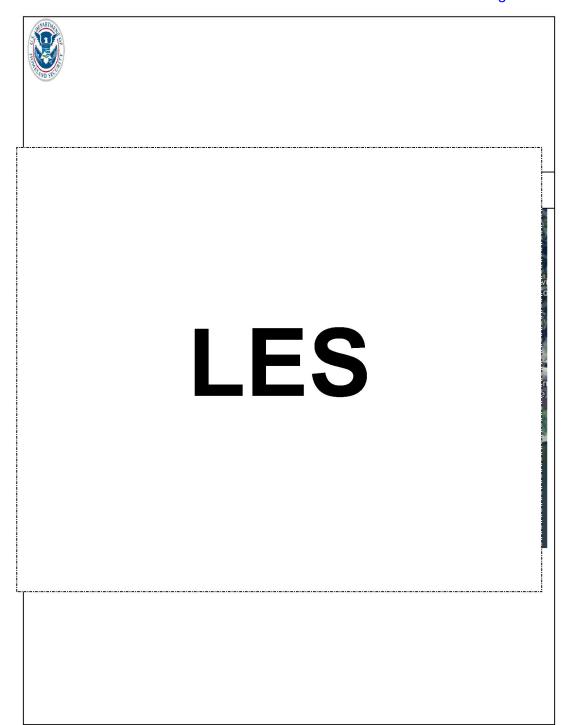
(Civil Considerations) Civilian movement remains unrestricted, no Civilian harm, and interactions with the local population are professional, disciplined, and in accordance with mission guidance and SRUF.

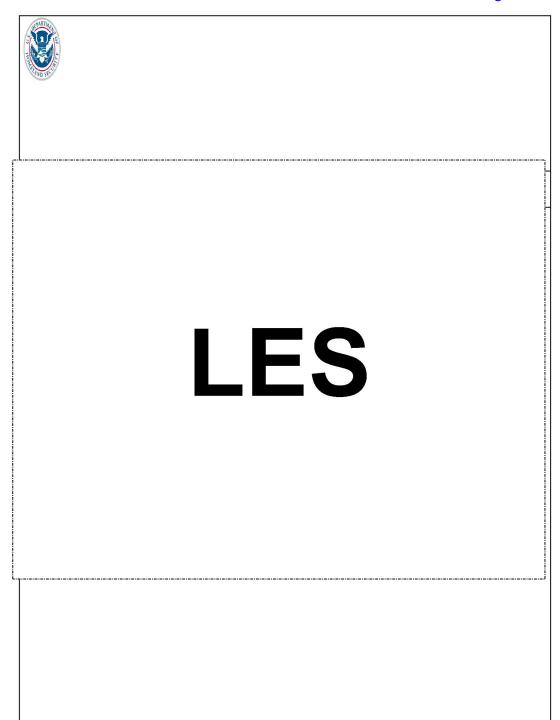


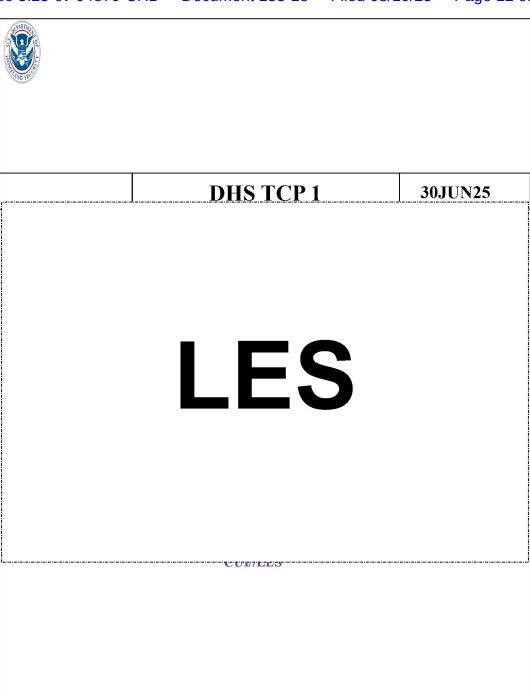


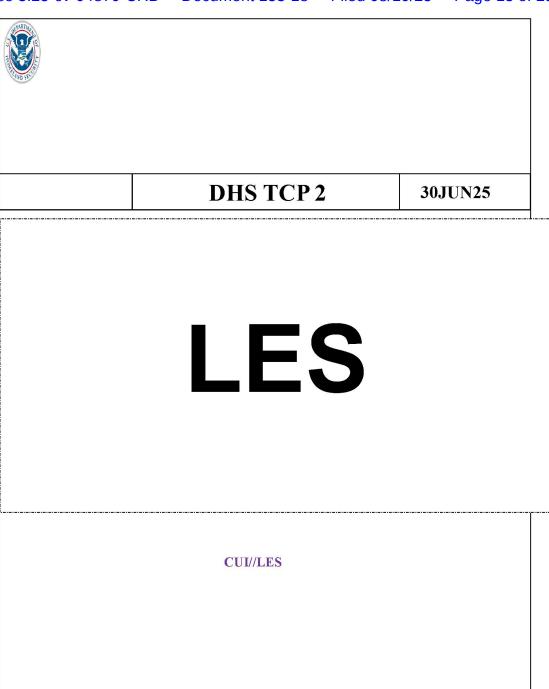


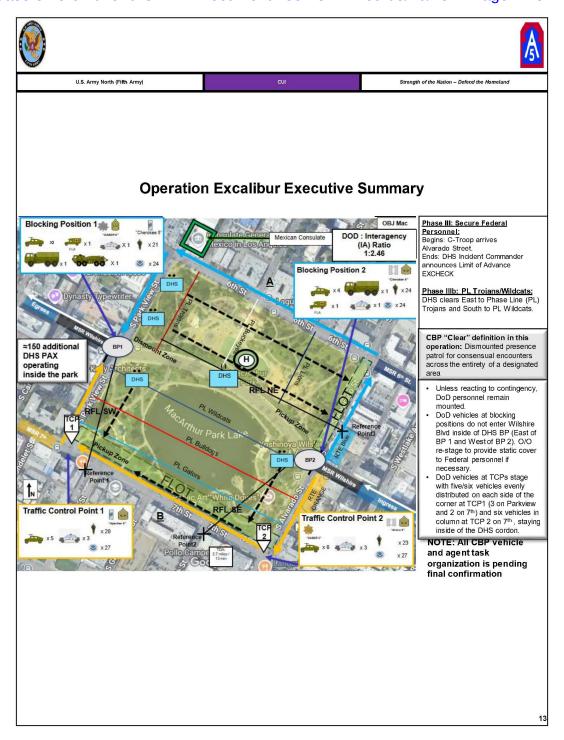


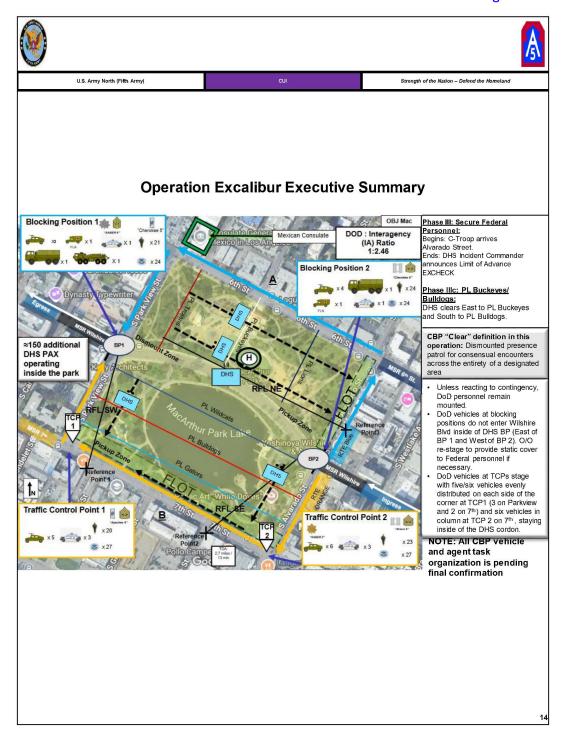


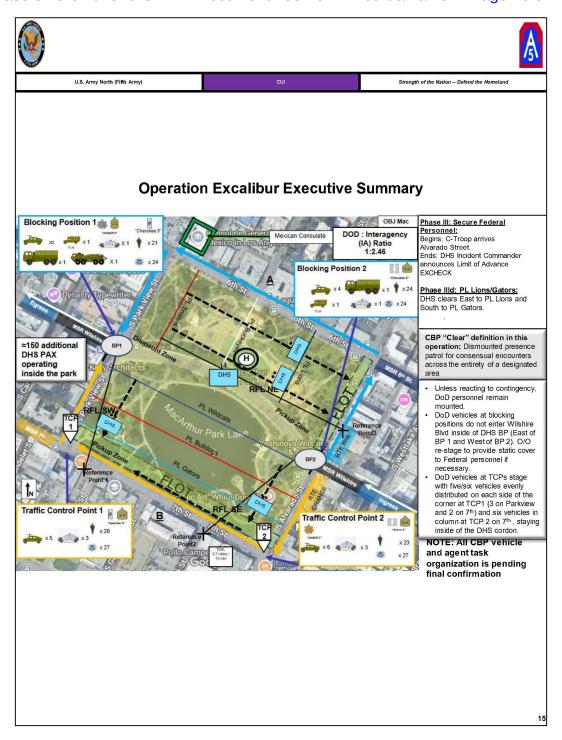


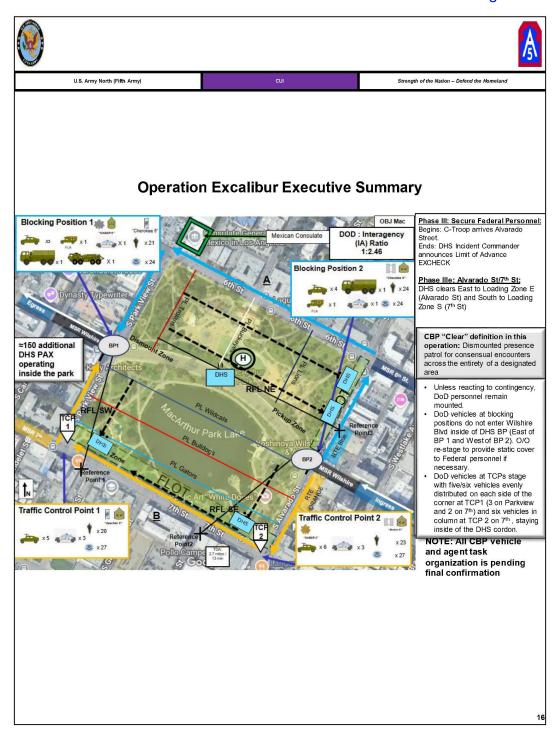


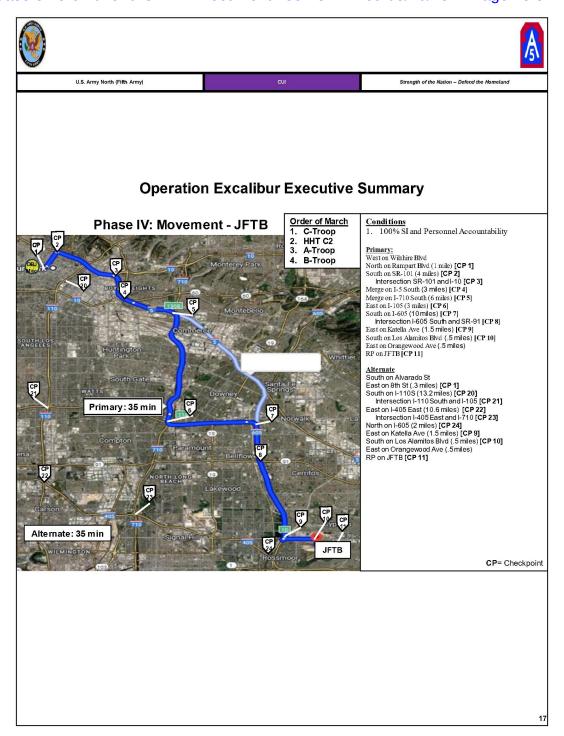
















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Operation Excalibur EXCHECK & Timeline

1-18 CAV MACARTHUR PARK MISSION EXCHECK					
LNS	EST TIME	TIME DESCRIPTION	NET FROM	TO	PROWORD
0	30 1200 JUL	PHASE I - PLANNING Support Request Submitted from Lead Federal Agency	LEA	SABER 6	AALIYAH
	03 1201 JUL	Final coordination between LEA and DOD elements	LEA	SABER 6	ABIGAIL
10	01 1900 JUL	Issue OPORD with RXL Timeline	SABER 3	ALL	ADA
15	02 1000 JUL	Conduct BN level RXL with Law Enforcement Agencies (LEA; Rehearsal of Concept	SABER 6/3	ALL	ADDISON
20	02 1300 JUL	recommended) Mission Decision Line (Co or No-Co decision)	TF 51	ARNORTH COR	ADELINE
25	02 1500 JUL	Final conditions offices	SABERS	TF 51	ADRIANA
30	03 0600 JUL	Internal 1-18CAV Communication rehearsal	SABER MAIN	ALL	AINGLEY
40	03 0500 JUL	Notification to local law enforcement of movement window	SADER MAIN	ALL	AISHA
45	03 0630 JUL	1-18CAV staged vehicles	SABER MAIN	ALL	ALESSANDRA
50	03 0700 JUL	1-18GAV final mission briefs comprete	SABER MAIN	ALL	ALLISON
55	03 0630 JUL 03 0700 JUL	1-18CAV staged and ready to receive LEA	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	ALONDRA AMARA
60	03 0700 JUL 03 0730 JUL	LEA member staged and ready to move with 1-160AV LEA and 1-160AV final communications check	SABOR 3	SABER MAIN	AMPLIA
70	03 05 90 JUL	1-16CAV and LEA SP towards MacArthur Park from JFTB Los Alamitos	SABER 3	TF 51	AMINA
-10	0000000	PHASE II - MOVEMENT TO MACARTHUR PARK	G-0010	17.00	Files
75	03 0815 JUL	Convoy moves West on Saratoga Ave through Orangewood Gate, North on Los Alamitos Bivd	SABERS	SADER MAIN	DAILEY
50	03.0800.101	Decision to remain on primary route, or move to atternate	SARCE C	TESI	DARRIE
85	03 0828 JUL	Convey moves West on Katella Ave ICP 11	SARRY 3	SARER MAIN	BANKS
90	03 0827 JUL	Correcy moves North on I (Interstate)-605 (9 miles) [CP 2]	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	DEAR
96	D3 DB35 JUL	Convoy moves through Intersection I-606 and SR (State Route)-91 [CP 3]	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	BEATRICE
100	03 0840 JUL	Convoy moves West on I-105 (5 miles) [CP 4]	SABER 3	GADER MAIN	DELL
106	D3 D866 JUL	Convoy moves North on I-710 North (10.6 miles) [CP 5]	SABER 3	CABER MAIN	BENEDICT
110	03 0905 JUL	Convey moves West on SR-60 (5 miles) [CP 6]	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	DENJAMIN
116	03 0916 JUL 03 0920 JUL	Convoy moves North on SR-101 (13.2 miles) (CP 7) Convoy moves through intersection SR-101 and I-10 (CP 8)	SABER 3 SABER 3	SABER MAIN SABER MAIN	BELORA BERNADETTE
126	03 0920 JUL 03 0930 JUL	Convoy moves through intersection SR-101 and I-10 (CP 8) Convoy moves South on I-110 (4 miles) (CPH	SABER 3	CABER MAIN	BERNADETTE
130	03 0940 JUL	Convoy moves south on 1-110 (s miles) [CP9] Convoy moves West on Wilshire Blvd (2 miles) [CP10]	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	BEVERLY
136	03 1000 JUL	RP at MacArthur Park (CP 161	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	BULLE
140	03 1001 JUL	1-18CAV and LEA arrive MacArthur Park prepared to establish protection positions	SABER 3	TF 51	BLOSSOM
		PHASE III - SECURE FEDERAL PERSONNEL			
145	03 1002 JUL	C TRP arrives at MacArthur Park (Wilshire Bivd)	06	SABER 3	CARINA
150	03 1003 JUL	A TRP arrives at MacArthur Park (Wilshire Bivd)	A6	SABER 3	CARINE
156	03 1064 JUL	B Troop arrives at MacArthur Park (Wilshire Blvd)	86	SABER 3	CAROLINE
160	03 1005 JUL	C TRP moves into blocking positions 1 and 2 to provide protection of federal personnel and property	06	SABER 3	CARMEN
168	03 1006 JUL	A TRP moves to check points with LEA to provide protection of federal personnel and property 8 TRP drops off LEA and moves into RP positions 8P1 and 8P2, to provide protection of federal	A6	SABER 3	CASSANDRA
170	03 1007 JUL	personne and projects	50	SABER 3	CASSIDY
175	03 1010 JUL	C TRP established at blocking positions 1 and 2	C6	SABER 3	CECELIA
150	03 1012 JUL	A TRP established at check points with LEA	A6	SABER 33	CELESTE
185	03 1016 JUL 03 1020 JUL	LEA moves personnel into positions	SABER 3 SABER 3	SABER MAIN SABER MAIN	CELINE
195	03 1000 JUL	LEA personnel conduct rederal functions within MacArthur Park LEA conducts federal functions within VacArthur Park	SABER MAIN	TE S1	CHRISTINA
195	03 1021 JUL	PHASE IV - MOVEMENT OFF MACARTHUR PARK	SABER MAN	IF \$1	CHRISTINA
200	03 1100 JUL	LEA announces actions completed	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	DAHLIA
205	03 1115 JUL	All 1-18CAV elements gain accountability of personnel and equipment	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	DAISY
210	03 1116 JUL	LEA confirms all personel accounted for	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	DALLAS
215	03 1120 JUL	LEA CPs begin to break down with 1-16CAV protection continuing	SABER 3	SADER MAIN	DANA
220	03 1125 JUL 03 1130 JUL	All CPs are broken down, ready to move	SABER 3 SABER 3	SABER MAIN SABER MAIN	DANIEL DANTE
225	03 1130 JUL 03 1131 JUL	1-18CAV prepared to move C TRP confirms EXFIL route and reports it	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	DANTE
236	03 1131 JUL	A TRO confirms plant off	A5	SARER 3	DAWSON
240	03 1133 JUL	© TRP confirms clear off	86	SABER 3	DEAN
245	03 1134 JUL	TAC confirms clear off	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	DECLAN
250	03 1135 JUL	C TRP confirms clear off	C6	SABER 3	DELANEY
255	03 1145 JUL	B TRP QRF stands down and begins movement back	86	SABER 3	DEMI
260	03 1165 JUL	Convoy moves West on Wilshire Bird	SABER 3	GABER MAIN	DENZEL
265	03 1200 JUL	All elements complete off MacArthur Park	QABER 6	TF.51	DEREX
270	03 1205 JUL 03 4245 JUL	Convoy moves North on Rampart Blvd (1 mile) (CP 1) Convoy moves South on SR-101 (4 miles) (CP 2)	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	DESMOND
275	03 1215 JUL 03 1225 JUL	Convoy moves South on SR-101 (4 miles) (CP 2) Convoy moves through intersection SR-101 and I-10 (CP 3)	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	DIANA
285	03 1230 JUL	Convey marges on 1-5 South (3 miles) [CP 4]	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	DIDRIK
290	03 1240 JUL	Corvoy merges on FTIO South (6 miles) [CP 5]	SABERS	SABER MAIN	DIEGO
	03 1245 JUL	Convoy moves East on I-105 (3 miles) (CP 6)	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	DILLAN
295	03 1245 JUL	Convoy moves South on I-605 (10 miles) (CP 7)	SABER 3	SABER MAIN	DIMA
300	03 1250 JUL				DIAMOND
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Timeline of Major Events (in bold on the EXCHECK)

02 0900 JUL – Battalion Rehearsals
02 1300 JUL – Mission Decision Line
03 1140 JUL – Initiate Movement
03 1300 JUL – Arrive Macarthur Park
03 1320 JUL – LEA conducts ops
03 1400 JUL – LEA actions complete
03 1430 JUL – All elements depart
03 1600 JUL – All elements return to
JTFB-LA

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Concept of Medical



Time Distance Analysis:

2.2 miles (10 minutes)

DoD: 1x FLA and 3x 68W (Medics) collocated with SQDN CP; 1 x FLA and 3 x 68W collocated at BP2

Law Enforcement: 40x BORTAC EMT/paramedics throughout AO MACARTHUR

5x dedicated BORTAC EMT/paramedics collocated with 1-18 CAV CPs

MEDEVAC HLZ:

P: Soccer Field (11S LT 8214 6949)

A: Wilshire Blvd (11S LT 8218 6939) C: Field S/W of OBJ (11S LT 8177 6917)

Concept of Communication

ONGOING COORDINATION: BORTAC, TF-51 and 1-18 CAV continuing to coordinate for IA capable radios for key leaders in DoD support force. BORTAC providing 9 radios at rehearsal on

Law Enforcement Operation Commander: BORTAC
1-18 CAV Squadron Commander (SCO); PII
Location of Kev Leaders: Location of Key Leaders:

SQDN CMDR: Blocking Position 1 (BP1) Wilsher Blvd bridge

Command Relationship:

Static position protection force provides Direct Support to Law Enforcement Agency at outer cordon positions. DoD QRF will only respond within the outer cordon.

Succession of Command: SCO, SODN S3, Cherokee 6 EXCHECK developed and will be used to track execution. On-site C2 structure: CP on Wilshire Blvd

Interagency: P: Law Enforcement Officer Radio TAC Channel A: Cell C: Runner

DOD: P: VHF A: Law Enforcement Officer Radio TAC Channel C: Cell E: Runner





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Emergency Rally Point (ERP)



Emergency Rally Point is located behind Los Angelos Fire Department Training Facility on Lookout Dr. Route: West on Wilshire Blvd, North on Rampart Blvd, South on SR-101, North on I-110, Exit 24B Stadium Bay, South on Stadium Bay, West Lookout Dr.



Concept of Sustainment

Logistics: 1x DOS per vehicle

2x fuel cans per vehicle 1x fire extinguisher per vehicle Vehicle BII carried in-vehicle

CLV Lethal loadout: <u>Soldiers</u>: 3 x 30 round magazine 5.56 mm for M4 <u>Leaders</u>: 40 x rounds 9mm for sidearm

CLV Less-Lethal Munitions (LLM):

LLM distribution for Law Enforcement Officers only at each checkpoint

Recovery

2 Recovery assets - 1 x M984A4 HEMMT WKR staged at Blocking Position 1 and 1 x M1089A1 LMTV WKR staged at FMS06 Bell, California. FMS06 Bell, California is 12 miles (30 minutes) from MacArthur Park.





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Initial Risk to Mission: HIGH

Risk Assessment

- Initial Risk to Mission: HIGH
 Risk ASSESSMENt
 Hazards:
 Crowd volatility and density in a politically sensitive urban location may disrupt unit ability to maintain fixed-site security and secure mobility corridors.
 Limited information of the area reduces situational wareness and precision in positioning mounted dismouted.
 BORTAC and/or Interagency (A) command friction could create confusion over take ownership or trigger delays in execution.
 Execution of simultaneous operations on day of execution could increase complexity on the ground, disrupt movement, commit QRFs and otherwise impede mission.
 Media presence and public optics may constrain interial flexibility or introduce external pressure on SRUF decisions.
 Day and time of planned operation on 3 July; risk of activity prior to holiday weekend can increase risk of large-scale protest simultaneous to or immediately following operation. Mitigations:
 Conduct integrated CONOP development and joint taxical rebensals with DHS/BORTAC and other lead agencies.
 Position QRF and mobile elements with redundant access routes and clear HLZ 5 for rigid repositioning.
 Synchronize SRUF understanding across all chelons; push public affairs guidance to team leaders.
 Pre-stage interagency laisons at unit CPs to facilitate real-time coordination.
 Use of PBI OSINT and CBP UAY to enhance situational awareness of conditions at the park.
 Residual Risk: MODERALE

Initial Risk to Force: EXTREMELY HIGH

- Infamiliar partners and unclear task boundaries, during a live urban operation increase the risk of miscommunication or fratricide.

 BORTA Candor IA personnel may lack familiarity with DoD fire control measures, signal plans, or reaction drills.

 Close proximity to civilians during crowd management introduces potential for unintentional escalation or collateral injury.

 No DoD less-than-lebal munitions acapability and a challenging SRME entronneum at the trooper level may elevate risk during confrontation.

 Risk that accidental harm to civilians or children (under 18) resulting from self defense alters public perception, potentially lowering support for DoD or triggering deliberate targeting for doxxing and potential acts of violence.

 MS-13 elements are assessed to occupy elevated terrain (napartment complex) overlooking the operational area.

 This location offers line-of-sight to key positions and enables potential overwatch or interference with the entire operation, particularly affecting observation, fires, and the safety of personnel at or near the outer cordon. [UPDATE] Recent terrain analysis indicates that tow elevation of park relative to surrounding area partially mitigates this risk by partially obstructing line of site to the park from adjacent building, Additionally, Is, intel suggests that likelihood of MS-13 attempts to use lethal force in response to operations on objective are extremely low, with more likely action being to flee or avoid the park for the duration of the operation.

- Mitigations:

 Conduct full dress rehearsals on 1:1 scale area with BORTAC/IA personnel to verify communication protocols and shared understanding of tactical boundaries.

 Integrate DoD liaisons into BORTAC/IA formations or command posts to ensure deconfliction.

 Reinforce SRUF and escalation-of-force training during staging, though challenging SRUF environment remains.

 Employ layered force posture with QRF offset from primary protestor engagement points.

 Medical assets staged forward; conduct buddy aid and CASEVAC drills pre-mission.

 Residual Risk: HIGH

Risk of Inaction: LOW

- sessment:

 Current intelligence does not indicate a high-value target or threat to federal functions at this location.

 No indication that failure to act would result in loss of life or significant property damage.

 Expected law enforcement action is limited in scale, with few destines articipated and no high-risk warrants involved.

 Operation not informed by time-sensitive intelligence or part of an integrated targeting cycle.

Conclusion: Although inaction carries little immediate risk, it could weaken the public's perception of federal responsiveness and reduce deterrence in $other \, areas \, if \, the \, federal \, presence \, seems \, limited \, or \, absent.$

