



## U-A Operational Focus Area #4 – Command & Control

**Mission:** USAFE-AFAFRICA must attain immediate and scalable solutions to enable distributed Command and Control (C2) for joint all-domain operations. Combined Joint All-Domain Command and Control (CJADC2) is the Department of Defense and Department of the Air Force priority initiative to modernize operational and tactical Battle Management Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence (BMC3I) systems. In the future fight, USAFE-AFAFRICA must harness emerging information, communications, and artificial intelligence technologies to provide targeting and decision support with the speed, adaptability, and resilience needed to deter crisis or fight in a complex, highly contested environment. Through recurrent exercises and real-world operations in support of the U.S. European Command and U.S. Africa Command, USAFE-AFAFRICA continues to refine CJADC2 capabilities.

**Situation:** The high-end fight against potential adversaries will be more complex, requiring agility and adaptability to win. Ensuring seamless communication and data-sharing capabilities among the Joint force, NATO Allies, and partners is a current challenge; however, through innovation, determination, and collaboration USAFE-AFAFRICA is overcoming institutional barriers that slow integration with our Allies and partners.

### **Execution:**

- **Robust Network-Centric Operations:** Utilizing cutting-edge communications and data-sharing systems, USAFE-AFAFRICA fosters a network-centric approach that allows real-time information exchange among Allied forces. This seamless integration enhances situational awareness, coordination, and responsiveness during operations for the U.S. alongside our Allies and partners.
- **Strengthening Joint and Multi-Domain Operations:** USAFE-AFAFRICA collaborates closely with other branches of the U.S. military and Ally and partner nations to conduct joint, coalition and multi-domain operations. These integrated efforts are essential to maximizing the effectiveness of each component and nation's capabilities, making it more challenging for adversaries to disrupt Allied operations.
- **Enhancing Air Domain Awareness:** USAFE-AFAFRICA recognizes the importance of integration with Allies and partner nations and to build theater air domain awareness. This effort includes boosting command, control, communications, computers, and intelligence infrastructure capabilities to advance intelligence indications and warning capabilities to further coalition interoperability.

### **Importance of NATO Integration:**

- **Enhanced Collective Defense:** Collaboration with and interoperability among NATO Allies and partners enables seamless information sharing that is essential to conduct joint training exercises and combined operations across the European theater. By integrating C3BM interoperability efforts and procedures, USAFE-AFAFRICA and NATO nations maximize the effectiveness of theater C2 in order to deter and respond to common threats.

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