

Multi-Agency SWAT Collaboration

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"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success."

- Henry Ford



Objectives

- Identify potential missions which can benefit from a multi-agency SWAT response.
- Coordinate SWAT assets and resources within your self-defined region.
- Establish networking and communications systems among SWAT teams in your region.







Multi-Agency Collaboration

Joint Training & Joint Operations









Multi-Agency Collaboration

- Preparedness is vital to success.
- Best leaders anticipate & prepare (Future Threats/Missions).
- Changing threat environment (adversaries with increased capabilities, tactics and intent).

- Types and levels of risk (life, infrastructure, department, etc.).
- Relief (multiple operations, protracted incidents, weather, OIS, resources, etc.).
- Expectations changing.



"Those that fail to learn from history, are doomed to repeat it."

- Winston Churchill



Multi-Agency Collaboration

(Networking and Multi—Team Coordination)

Networking methods and coordination opportunities amongst teams?

- Conferences / Formal Classes
- State Associations / NTOA
- Regional SWAT Commander Meetings
- Regional Joint Training / Exercises
- Training Observers



Multi-Agency Collaboration

(Networking and Multi—Team Coordination)

Goals and objective for Commander's meetings:

- Missions
- Integration and Coordination
- SOPs
- Legal Concerns
- Other?



Types of Joint Training

- Shared Lesson
 Plans
- Observing
- Partial Team / Element Swap
- Full Team Joint Training

- External Training
- Bring the Outside
 In
- Regional Joint Training



Multi-Team Joint Training (Regional)

- How many agencies involved?
- What was the length of exercise?
- How was training coordinated?
- What were the training objectives?
- How were instructors/safety officers accomplished?



Working Out the Issues

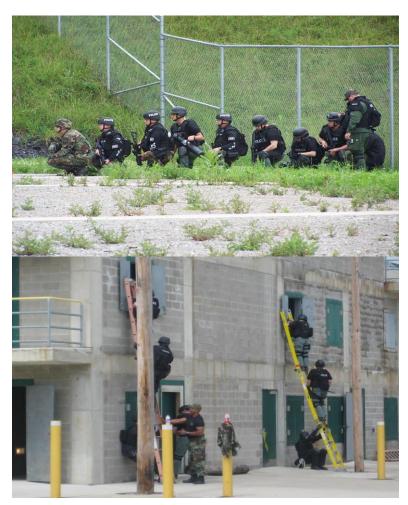
(Potential Regional Joint Training Issues)

- C3
- Agency Policies
 - Use of Force / Specialty Equipment / Other
- Capabilities
- Resources
- Other?



What Missions to Train?







Types of Responses

When may you need resources and support?

- Large-Scale Planned Events
 - Dignitary Protection
 - Sporting Events / Championships
- Spontaneous In-Progress Incidents
- Pre-Planned



Multi-Team Responses

(Examples)

- Warrant Service
- Barricade / Officer Down / Hostage
- Suspect Manhunts
- Large-Scale Incidents/Events
 - Civil Disorder or Active Shooter in Large Venue
- Terrorist Attack



"Whoever wishes to foresee the future must consult the past; for human events ever resemble those of preceding times."

Machiavelli



"Warrant Service"





"Barricade / Officer Down"





"Suspect Manhunt"





"G20 Arrest"



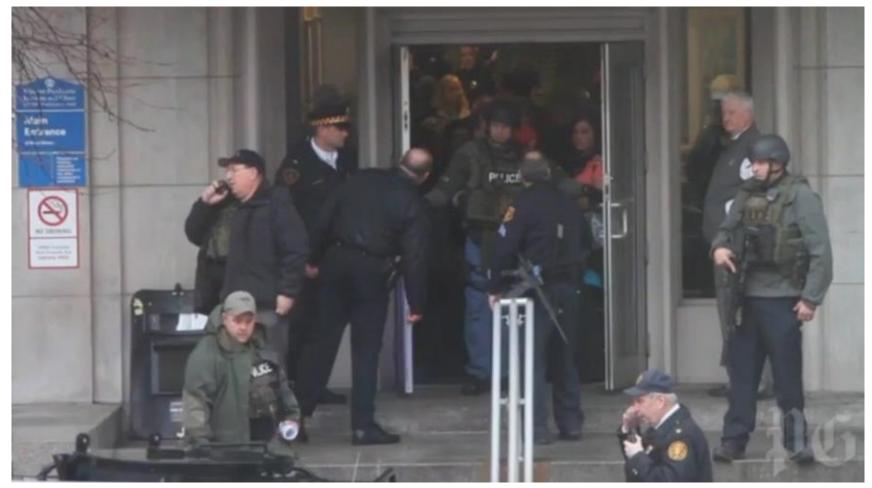


"Large-Scale Response"





"Large-Scale Response"





"Terrorist Attack"





Do you have the answers?



Being Prepared!

- Notifications
- Self-Dispatching
- Communications
- Tactical Staging
- Liaison Roles



Being Prepared!

- Setting Clear Objectives / Missions
- Integrating Teams
- SWAT / EOD Integration
- Command Issues
- Accountability / Documentation



"Don't depend on the enemy not coming; depend rather on being ready for him."

- Sun Tzu



How Do We Get There?

- Commander Meetings
 - A lot can be accomplished at these regional meetings. Carve out a little at each meeting, don't worry about too much too fast.
- Response Frameworks
- Joint Exercises / Joint Training Plans
- Operation Plans and Briefings



How Do We Get There?

Creating Subgroups

 Joint explosive breaching cadre, armored vehicle cadre (and many others) to share ideas and skills as a way to deconstruct joint training.

Creating Resource Lists

- Who has what? How do I get it?
- Creating Contact Lists



"Continuous improvement is better than delayed perfection."

- Mark Twain



Group Assignments

Develop One

- Multi-Agency SWAT Team Joint Training Plan Outline for your Region.
- Response Framework for Region.
- Regional SWAT Resource Database and Contact List.
- Other Networking Tool.



Questions?



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