

INTEROPERABILITY TEST PANEL (ITP) MINUTES
25 July 2003

ITP Meeting 2003-04
Held at the JITC
Command Test Center, Indian Head, MD
0900 Hours, 25 July 2003

1. Members:

Acting Chairperson:	Lt Col Morrow
JS-J6I	Lt Col Morrow
JS-J3	Did Not Attend
USA	LTC Pennington
USAF	Lt Col Glogowski
USN	Mr. Simon Cole
USMC	Mr. Joe Johnson Mr. Eldon Perkins
DISA-JITC	Mr. Bob Hickman, Executive Agent Ms. Teena Holt, Recording Secretary
DIA	Did Not Attend
NSA	Did Not Attend
OSD/DOT&E	Mr. Kevin Brogan
DISA-JIEO	Mr. Lyndon Johnson
JFCOM	Did Not Attend
OUSD/AT&L	Did Not Attend
OASD-NII	Mr. Kris Strance Ms. Lylha Cahill
USCG	Mr. Paul Arenstein

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2. Other Attendees Present:

Mr. John Gese, JITC
Mr. Dave Schreiner, JITC
Maj Burns, AFC2ISRC
Mr. Jerry Eddy, AFC2ISRC
LCDR Gedra, USN
Mr. Rich Medved, USN
Mr. Wayne Beck, USN
Ms. Nalini Kukke, USA
Mr. Craig Powderly, USA
Ms. Cecilia Hall, USMC

3. Lt Col Morrow opened the meeting and personal introductions were conducted. The panel welcomed the Army and Air Force representatives to the panel. The ITP meeting minutes for 05 May 2003 were presented and approved with a change to paragraph 2 to include Mr. Wayne Beck as an attendee. These meeting minutes and the enclosures can be found at the ITP web site

<http://jitc.fhu.disa.mil>.

4. SCHEDULED BUSINESS:

a. **Interim Certificate To Operate (ICTO) Briefs:**

(1) **CISCO VoIP CallManager, Software V3.1.3.A @ Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph AFB** - ICTO granted through 30 September 2003. An extension of the current ICTO will be revisited at the next ITP pending Air Force working with CISCO to schedule JITC testing.

(2) **IFONE Minuteman** - ICTO deferred until a Joint Staff waiver from the CJCSI 6215 is approved.

(3) **ROBE** - ICTO granted through 30 September 2003 to allow time for the Air Force to provide requirements to the Joint Staff

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for certification.

(4) **RAS @ USAFE** - ICTO granted through 31 January 2003.

(5) **DACT** - ICTO granted through 31 October 2003.

(6) **MCE Extension Request** - ICTO extended through 31 January 2004.

(7) **EWSD RSU Extension Request** - ICTO was extended through 30 November 2003 to allow sufficient time for testing to be scheduled. This ICTO will only cover RSUs already installed/planned for installation by 30 November 2003.

• **Action:** Army to provide a listing of each site to be installed and the date of installation.

(8) **HiPath 4000, Version 1 @ AMACS** - ICTO granted through 30 November 2003.

(9) **JRE (Joint Range Extension) Gateway, Version 2.0.2** - ICTO granted through 30 September 2003 to allow Air Force time to define requirements for Joint Staff certification.

(10) **Nortel Remote Switching Center @ Ft. Stewart & Hunter Army Air Field** - ICTO withdrawn at the Army's request.

(11) **INTECOM PointSpan** - ICTO deferred to September 2003 ITP. Navy is working the way ahead internally.

b. **GCCS-Maritime** - This was an action item continued from the 20 March 2003 ITP meeting. LCDR Gedra, USN, provided information/briefing outlining the plan for meeting CJCSI 6212.01B requirements for systems interoperability requirements

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validation and joint interoperability certification. Briefing is included as enclosures ([1a](#), [1b](#), [1c](#), [1d](#)). The ITP accepted that the Navy has shown that they have a plan of action for meeting the requirements certification and joint interoperability certification. The ITP also commended the Navy for this complete and well-presented briefing.

- **Action - Navy: Submit an ICTO request for software version 3.X.**

c. **GCCS-AF - Lead Air Force.** This was a continuing action Item from the 20 March 2003 ITP meeting. The Air Force requested this item be deferred to the September 2003 meeting.

d. **Service Participation in Joint Interoperability Tests - Lead JITC.** Concerns were expressed by JITC regarding the U.S. Navy's lack of participation. JITC presented the results of the July 2003 PTUC meeting. While several joint testing issues were resolved at the meeting, JITC continues to have difficulty getting U.S. Navy support for Joint Test Events.

JITC provided: "NCTSI talked about two interim options including bringing in the E-2C as the Navy participant when they did not have a SUT and also using ICXDF--which I strongly support. NCTSI has proposed to bring the E-2C into JIT 03-09 but no other tests in FY03 or 04. This has to be fixed. We have a similar problem with the Army. PATRIOT in Huntsville has only signed up to participate in half our JITs. CECOM has made a plea to PATRIOT and FAAD to agree to participate more but no response.

By the way, we have reduced the number of JIT windows in FY04 to six thinking that the Services would be more apt to support a smaller number. (We will never turn down a SUT that needs to get tested). The reduced windows does not seem to have made a difference for the Army & Navy." Support for joint testing from both the Navy and the Army needs to be resolved so that the joint interoperability certification program can meet its requirements. DoDD 4630.5, DoDI 4630.8 and CJCSI 6212.01B identify requirements for the S/As to participate in and ensure that they have the resources available to support all jointly agreed to joint test activities. The ITP requests that both the Navy and the Army provide their plans for meeting the joint interoperability certification testing requirements. Note: The Navy portion of this issue is to be addressed under Agenda Item 4.e below.

e. Navy C2 Participation in Joint Interoperability

Certification Testing - At the request of the Navy, this item was deferred to the September 2003 meeting to allow sufficient time to provide a way ahead.

f. DRAFT Semi-Annual MCEB Status Brief: Distributed

Common Ground/Surface System (DCGS) - JITC representative, Dave Schreiner briefed. Briefing is included as enclosure (2). ITP comments will be incorporated prior to presentation to the MCEB Coordinators.

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g. **Revised ITP Charter** - ITP EA presented changes to the organization of the MCEB panels. The IPTP has been renamed the ITP and its charter revised to reflect interoperability testing issues only. A new panel named the Interoperability Panel (IP) will address other interoperability issues. Specific revisions to the ITP Charter will be provided to members for comment at the September meeting.

h. **NEW BUSINESS** - The Navy requested information about DoD's activity on converged voice and data using IP technology. A short description of the DoD plan was provided as well as the OSD POC for this activity.

i. **MEETING SUMMARY** - The ITP Executive Agent summarized all actions resulting from the meeting. Each action item is identified in the above paragraphs. The next ITP meeting will be held Friday, 26 September 2003 starting at 0900 at the JITC, Indian Head, Maryland, Naval Surface Warfare Center.

5. The point of contact and Executive Agent for ITP actions is Mr. Robert Hickman, Commercial (301) 744-2667, DSN 354-2667 or e-mail: ITP_EA@ncr.disa.mil or hickmanr@ncr.disa.mil. The Recording Secretary is Ms. Teena Holt, Commercial (301) 744-2687, DSN 354-2687 or e-mail: holttt@ncr.disa.mil. These minutes along with all attachments will be posted on the JITC ITP Web site upon approval.