

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS TOOLS



Google Earth

- UNHQ provided UNMIL one copy of GE PRO
- UNMIL *limited to 20* computers
 - -10 GE PRO and 10 free versions employed



GeoPDF

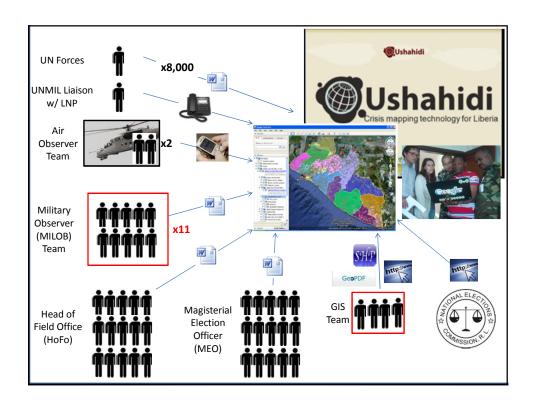
- UNMIL GIS Team product format is PDF
- Available via Intranet, small enough to email
- Free GeoPDF plugin provides greater capability



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- Improved rapid access to multiple reporting sources
- Expanded use continues to grow with education
- Necessary partner in the future









JOINT ELECTIONS OPERATIONS CENTER

- Who and Where: United Nations Mission Liberia
 (UNMIL) Headquarters/ Force G3
- When: July 2011- January 2012
- Why: To achieve and maintain Situational Awareness. Collect and assess information/ reports and make recommendations to the Electoral Crisis Management Team (ECMT)

PRIMARY DATA SOURCES

- Base Mapping Data
 - UNMIL GIS Team (Liberia)
 - UNOCI GIS Team (Cote D'Ivoire)
- Operational Reporting
 - Elections Technical Team (ETT)
 - Joint Operations Center (JOC)
 - Military Observers (MILOB)
 - Military Contingents (Forces)
 - Open source reporting/ social media

INITIATIVE SUSTAINABILITY

- Operational necessity, not luxury
- Organizational momentum makes it difficult to implement any new process, but it is <u>very</u> possible
- Areas to focus upon-
 - Funding
 - Communications architecture
 - Organizational culture/ status quo
 - Education/Training
 - Personnel turn-over

UN MISSION APPLICABILITY

- Crisis management (planning and response)
- Humanitarian project planning and implementation
- Elections process monitoring
- Operations support (aviation, military, police, logistics and more)
- Crime report and trend tracking
- Facilities management (real estate and environmental documentation)