

Lockheed Martin Opens New Laboratory With Joint Forces Command War-Game

Event Marks Center for Innovation's 1-year Anniversary

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Lockheed Martin's Center for Innovation, which celebrated its one-year anniversary this April, is hosting the Joint Forces Command (JFCOM) Global Cell activities as part of the Unified Quest '06 (UQ06) war-game this week. Lockheed Martin used this opportunity to cut the ribbon on the Center's new Command and Control (C2) laboratory, which will play a major role in the UQ06 war-game.

The UQ06 Global Cell activities are being conducted at the Center for Innovation's new C2 laboratory under the auspices of the recently announced Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) between JFCOM and Lockheed Martin. The war-game, co-sponsored by the U.S. Army and JFCOM, runs from April 23-27 and focuses on the concepts and capabilities needed to improve the ability to defeat irregular warfare challenges. War-game activities are distributed collaboratively across the Center, the Army War College in Carlisle, Pa., and other nodes. More than 70 military, Department of Defense, Homeland Security, State Department, other government agency and Lockheed Martin personnel are actively participating in the Global Cell activities at the Center in Suffolk.

The Center's new C2 laboratory provides a flexible, 6,000-square-foot facility that can be specifically tailored to support the needs of the customer to develop and explore networked architectures, display systems, processes and organizations that enable effective command and control, and interagency collaboration and coordination. The laboratory can support a wide range of customers, including internal Lockheed Martin lines of business, the Department of Defense, as well as other local, state and federal agencies.

The Center for Innovation opened its doors in April 2005 with the mission of exploring the power of net-centric solutions. Since then, it has conducted major experiments, supported 148 Lockheed Martin programs, and there is a backlog of experiments scheduled into 2007.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin employs about 135,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. The corporation reported 2005 sales of \$37.2 billion.

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