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Foundations of Operational Preparedness — Phases · Tactics · Organization · Logistics · Community & the People

PURPOSE

A framework for understanding how communities move through sustained pressure — from initial defensive positioning through equilibrium to recovery. Required reading for nest leaders.

◆ THREE FUNDAMENTAL LESSONS ◆

LESSON ONE

- ▶ Popular forces can defeat a conventional force
- ▶ Even if outnumbered and outgunned, disciplined and motivated operatives can prevail

LESSON TWO

- ▶ Conditions don't need to be fully ripe beforehand
- ▶ The struggle itself creates the conditions — action precedes readiness

LESSON THREE

- ▶ Rural areas are the main stage
- ▶ The countryside allows Operative Nests to survive, recruit, and expand

◆ THE OPERATIVE FOCO & THE NUCLEUS ◆

THE FOCO CONCEPT

- ▶ *Foco* = "focus" — a nucleus of committed operatives
- ▶ A small, dedicated group acts as the spark that ignites broader action
- ▶ Operative Nests both fight and demonstrate the possibility of victory
- ▶ Inspiring The People to join is as important as any tactical action

THE NUCLEUS AS REFORMER

- ▶ Not just a fighter — a moral and political example
- ▶ Lives simply, shares food, teaches literacy, organizes health
- ▶ Must always earn the trust of The People — this is the bedrock of survival
- ▶ Credibility is built by action, not words

◆ THREE STAGES OF OPERATIONAL DISCOURSE ◆

STAGE ONE

STRATEGIC DEFENSIVE

Initial Phase — 10–50 operatives, light arms

OBJECTIVES

- Secure safe rural base (mountains, forests)
- Build trust with The People (food, shelter, protection)
- Begin propaganda — show resistance is possible
- Harass enemy with small raids

TACTICS

- Ambushes, hit-and-run, sabotage of roads & lines
- Attacks on police posts and isolated garrisons
- Avoid direct battle with strong enemy columns

END STATE

- Legitimacy gained; recruitment grows
- The People see "they can win"

STAGE TWO

STRATEGIC EQUILIBRIUM

Middle Phase — hundreds of fighters, captured arms

OBJECTIVES

- Expand liberated zones — areas the state cannot enter
- Establish dual power: people's authority vs. government
- Stretch enemy forces across many points

- Set up embryonic institutions (courts, schools, health)

TACTICS

- Larger coordinated attacks; convoy ambushes
- Disrupt railroads, highways, supply lines
- Attack economic infrastructure
- Begin semi-regular formations (platoons, companies)

END STATE

- State weakened; enemy morale declines
- Operatives can "stand toe-to-toe" in some battles

STAGE THREE

STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE

Final Phase — thousands strong, near-conventional

OBJECTIVES

- Take the offensive; expel enemy from rural regions
- Cut cities off from the countryside
- Prepare for decisive urban insurrection
- Overthrow the regime militarily and politically

TACTICS

- Open battles, siege of towns, seize infrastructure
- Encircle and destroy larger enemy units
- Coordinate rural fighters with urban resistance networks

END STATE

- Full victory — regime collapses or surrenders
- Revolutionary force becomes foundation of new governance



SECRET SQUIRRELS

SELF-RELIANCE · COMMUNITY RESILIENCE · LIBERTY

◆ TACTICS, ORGANIZATION & LOGISTICS ◆

TACTICS

- ▶ **Ambushes** — attack convoys, patrols, supply columns
- ▶ **Sabotage** — destroy bridges, roads, communication lines
- ▶ **Raids** — quick strikes on small garrisons
- ▶ **Hit-and-run** — never stay in one place too long
- ▶ **Propaganda of the deed** — each successful action inspires more support

ORGANIZATION

- ▶ **Cells & columns** — small groups for secrecy; larger columns for coordinated action
- ▶ **Command structure** — leaders chosen by merit, bravery, and discipline
- ▶ **Special units** — reconnaissance, sabotage, and propaganda teams

LOGISTICS

- ▶ **Weapons** — primarily captured from the enemy
- ▶ **Supplies** — food and medicine provided voluntarily by The People, never by force
- ▶ **Mobility** — bases hidden in difficult terrain; carry minimal equipment
- ▶ **Self-sufficiency** — operatives farm, hunt, or trade to supplement

◆ POLITICAL-SOCIAL DIMENSIONS ◆

RELATION TO THE PEOPLE

- ▶ The People are the backbone — without them, nothing holds
- ▶ Respect property except where redistribution is warranted in liberated zones
- ▶ Act as protectors against bandits, abusive officials, and exploitation

ROLE OF PROPAGANDA

- ▶ Word of mouth, leaflets, clandestine radio
- ▶ Each action is itself propaganda — "example in action"
- ▶ Must be coupled with tangible reforms: land, justice, and security

URBAN VS. RURAL BALANCE

- ▶ Struggle begins in the countryside
- ▶ Urban movement (strikes, protests, sabotage) complements rural effort
- ▶ Final victory typically requires urban uprising once the state is weakened

◆ PHILOSOPHICAL & IDEOLOGICAL TAKEAWAYS ◆

THE OPERATIVE AS VANGUARD & THE "NEW OPERATIVE"

- ▶ A disciplined minority can inspire and mobilize the majority
- ▶ Revolution is sparked — not waited for
- ▶ Mutual effort equals mutual aid: embodies sacrifice, collectivism, and moral strength
- ▶ A direct contrast to the corruption and selfishness of entrenched power

ETHICS OF OPERATIONAL DISCOURSE

- ▶ **Absolute discipline** — no stealing, abusing, or harming civilians under any circumstance
- ▶ Punish abuses within the ranks to maintain credibility with The People
- ▶ This is armed people's defense — not banditry
- ▶ Internationalism: these methods apply wherever individual freedoms are under threat

The strength of the nest is the trust of The People. Every action — tactical or political — must reinforce that trust. An operative who loses the community loses everything. An operative who earns it becomes unstoppable.