MISSION

Combined Joint Task Force Horn of Africa, in partnership with our joint, interagency, intergovernmental, and multinational teammates, conducts theater security cooperation activities and enables regional actors to neutralize violent extremist organizations and enables regional access and freedom of movement within East Africa in order to protect and defend United States' interests and support aligned regional efforts, as feasible. On order, execute crisis response within East Africa in order to protect and defend United States' military, diplomatic, and civilian personnel, facilities, and interests.

People from each military branch of U.S. Armed Forces, civilian employees and representatives of Coalition and Partner countries make up CJTF-HOA. Currently, CJTF-HOA encompasses a 10 country area of interest.

COMBINED JOINT TASK FORCE
HORN OF AFRICA

AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY

Djibouti
Eritrea
Ethiopia
Kenya
Burundi
Somalia
Uganda
Tanzania
Rwanda
Seychelles

AREA OF INTEREST

Central African Republic
Chad
Comoros
Democratic Republic of Congo
Egypt
Mozambique
Madagascar
Mauritania
Sudan
South Sudan

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BUILDING LEADERS IN THE PROFESSION OF ARMS

STRENGTHEN THE TEAM

Our decisive effort is to develop and strengthen the joint, interagency, intergovernmental, and multinational (JIIM) team. CJTF-HOA is creating lasting and meaningful relationships, founded on trust and collaboration with all regional partners to address security threats of shared concern and create an environment that enables continued economic growth, democratic consolidation and sustainable broad-based development.

FUSION ACTION CELLS

Building an environment where continuity, leadership and teamwork grows is the vision of the Fusion Action Cell. An integral part of innovative reorganization for CJTF-HOA, each cell consists of a country liaison officer and six other officers allowing greater continuity of information sharing. Our African partner nations are now central in the cells allowing them to contribute to everything we do here. This creates a means of establishing corporate memory and enable long-term planning for future success.

PROFESSION OF ARMS

While our efforts will include tactical processes, they will increasingly focus on improving our regional partners' combat support and sustain the support capabilities; strengthening existing defense institutions at both national and regional levels; and fostering the further development of the Profession of Arms.

Our actions and behavior must serve as constant examples of a professional military force at the individual, unit, and institutional levels. When directed, CJTF-HOA will respond to crises and protect U.S. citizens and interests, along with our African partners.

FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT

The United States of America and CJTF-HOA respect the sovereignty of our East African partners. We will work with our partners to ensure our actions and movements are in accordance with international norms and the laws of our hosts. CJTF-HOA service members will be good teammates, accountable and respectful as we execute missions together.

CRISIS RESPONSE

The protection of United States citizens from threats is an enduring priority for CJTF-HOA. As a result, we plan and prepare for a multitude of contingency operations throughout East Africa. Additionally, CJTF-HOA works with our interagency and intergovernmental partners in order to be prepared to respond to natural and man-made disasters.

VIOLENT EXTREMIST ORGANIZATIONS

CJTF-HOA is committed to enabling our East African partners to defeat regional threats. While our efforts are almost always indirect in nature, the impacts are longer lasting and carry a higher value. We serve as a conduit for information, provide limited and focused military training to our partner nations, and during crisis response can provide strategic support. Our actions, together with our East African partner militaries, enables our team to counter a wide variety of threats to regional support.