



# NEW YORK NATIONAL GUARD FAMILY PROGRAMS



## Family Operational Security

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# Agenda

- Introduction
- Define OPSEC
- Data Collection
- Online OPSEC
- OPSEC in Your Daily Activities
- Conclusion
- Questions



# OPSEC is...

- Denying any useful information to the enemy
- A mindset, a way of thinking
- Applied to web pages, blogs, emails
- A standard that can be applied to any situation

Enemies want our information, and they're not just after the military member to get it....

*They also want your family members.*



# OPSEC teaches you to:

- Look
- Understand
- Assess
- Develop



# Data Collection



- Information collection from multiple sources
- Al Qaeda handbook: open and legal public sources accounts for 80% of all information collected
- Legal and illegal collection methods



# Potential Vulnerabilities

## Methods used to obtain Critical Information:

- Unprotected communications
- Sharing too much with strangers
- Technology
- Trash
- Media
- Email
- Web pages
- Social Networking Sites



**Illegal methods are OK with adversaries!!!**



Google™  
Social

☺ friendster.

foursquare



orkut

hi5



Blogger™



netvibes



Fröpper

You Tube

Broadcast Yourself

Linked in

YAHOO! 360°  
BETA



# The Danger...

Bad guys use it, too:

- Stalkers
- Thieves
- Terrorist
- Hackers
- Phishers/Scammers
- Enemy organizations
- Pedophiles
- And the list goes on...







# Some OPSEC Measures You Should Practice Online

- **Do not** discuss sensitive information
  - E-mails
  - Chat rooms/instant messaging
  - Blogs
- Avoid posting excessive personal information online
  - Rank/MOS
  - Your family members full names
  - Your address
- **Practice good computer security**
  - **Strong passwords**
  - **Updated antivirus**
  - **Permission/account settings**

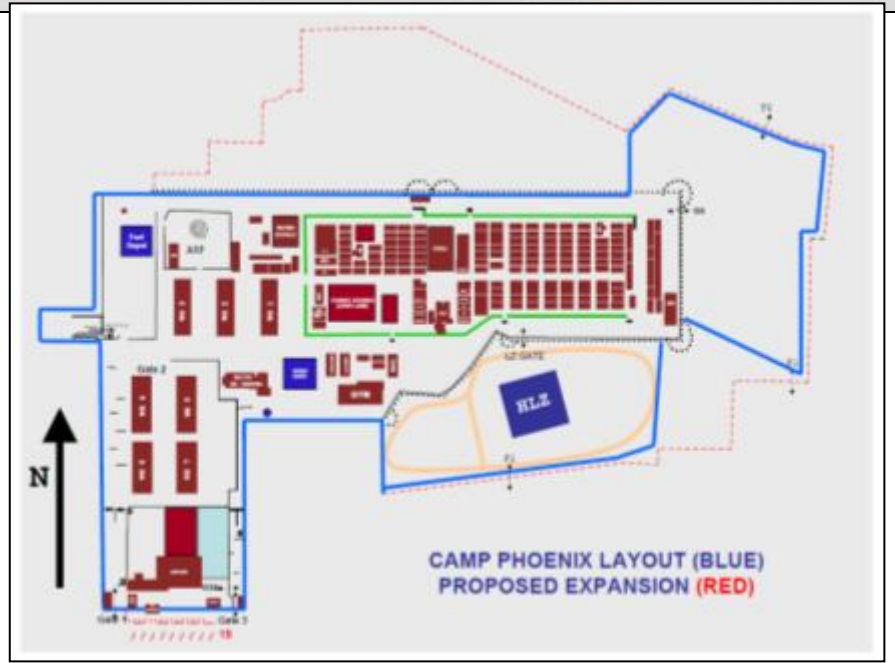
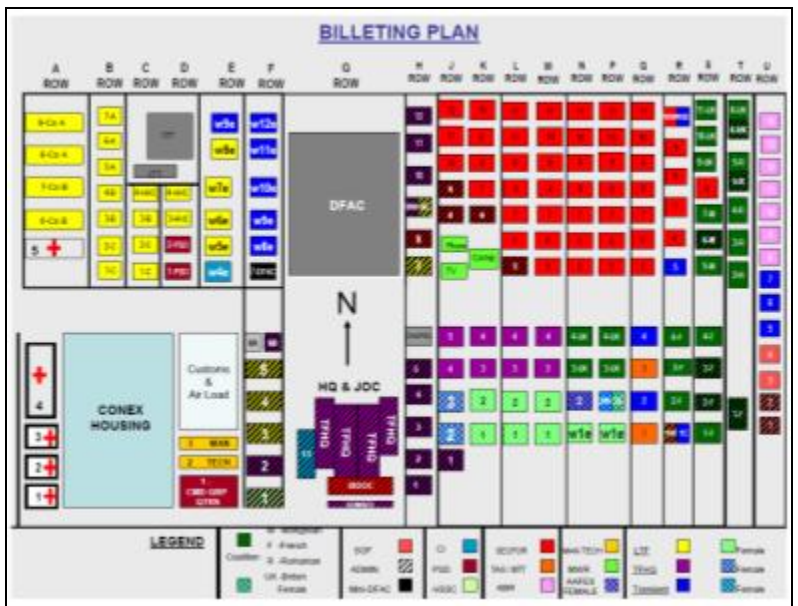
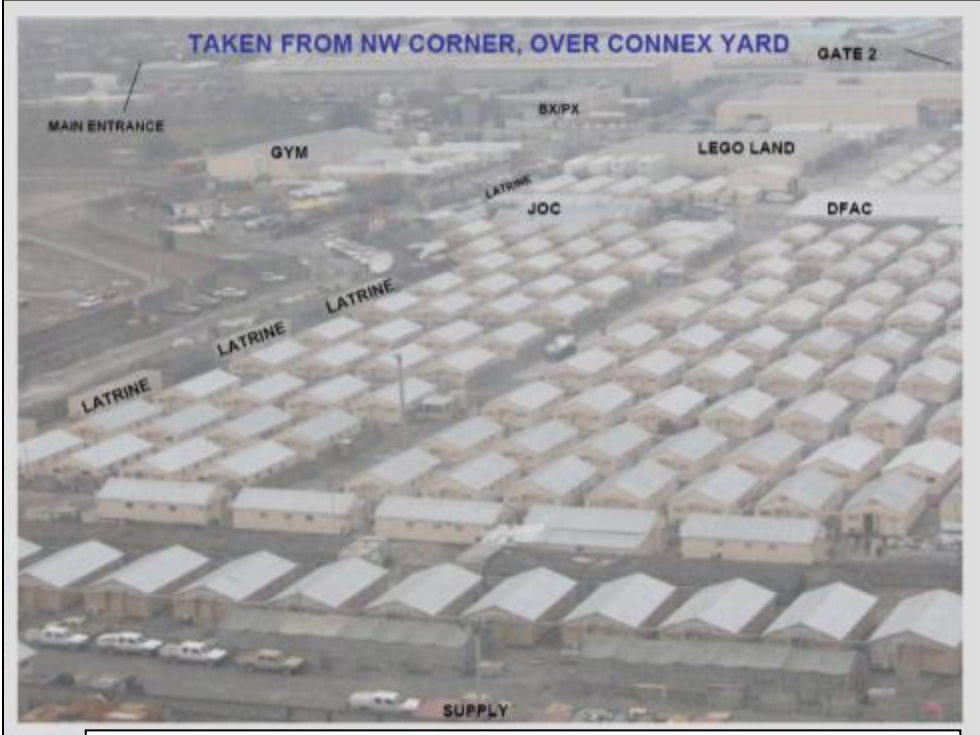


# Some OPSEC Measures You Should Practice Online

- **Do not** use the same passwords for multiple online sites
- **Do not** depend on the security of the site your using
- **Do** understand the risks of geotagging
- Blog with caution!!
  
- And remember - "A picture is worth...."



a thousand words..."





# Questions?

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