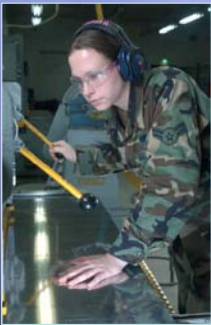


# LEAVE NO CONTINENT BEHIND

## U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY INTERESTS IN AFRICA

# United States European Command



# Gen Charles F. Wald

## Deputy Commander

# 1990's: A Decade of Change



**11 Nov 1989  
Berlin Wall Falls**

**Soviet Union  
Collapses....  
Russia  
Relationship  
(U.S. Forces  
Drawdown)**



**NATO Expands  
East (March 1999)  
Czech Republic,  
Hungary, Poland**

# 21<sup>st</sup> Century Security Environment



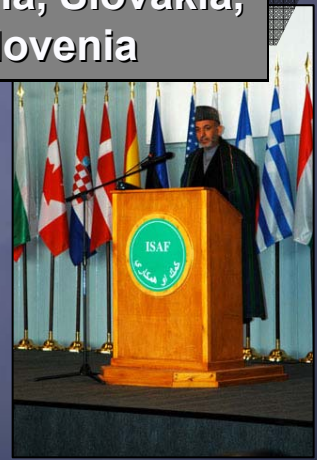
Sep 11<sup>th</sup> 2001  
New Threats and  
New Challenges



Greater Middle  
East and Africa  
Increasingly  
Gaining European  
and U.S. attention



NATO Expands  
and Transforms  
(2004)  
Bulgaria, Estonia,  
Latvia, Lithuania,  
Romania, Slovakia,  
Slovenia



# EUCOM Area of Responsibility



# New Strategic Environment



**Arc of Stability**

NATO MIO

Caspian Guard

**Arc of Opportunity**

Gulf of Guinea

Trade in energy gives Russia a meaningful role in Europe

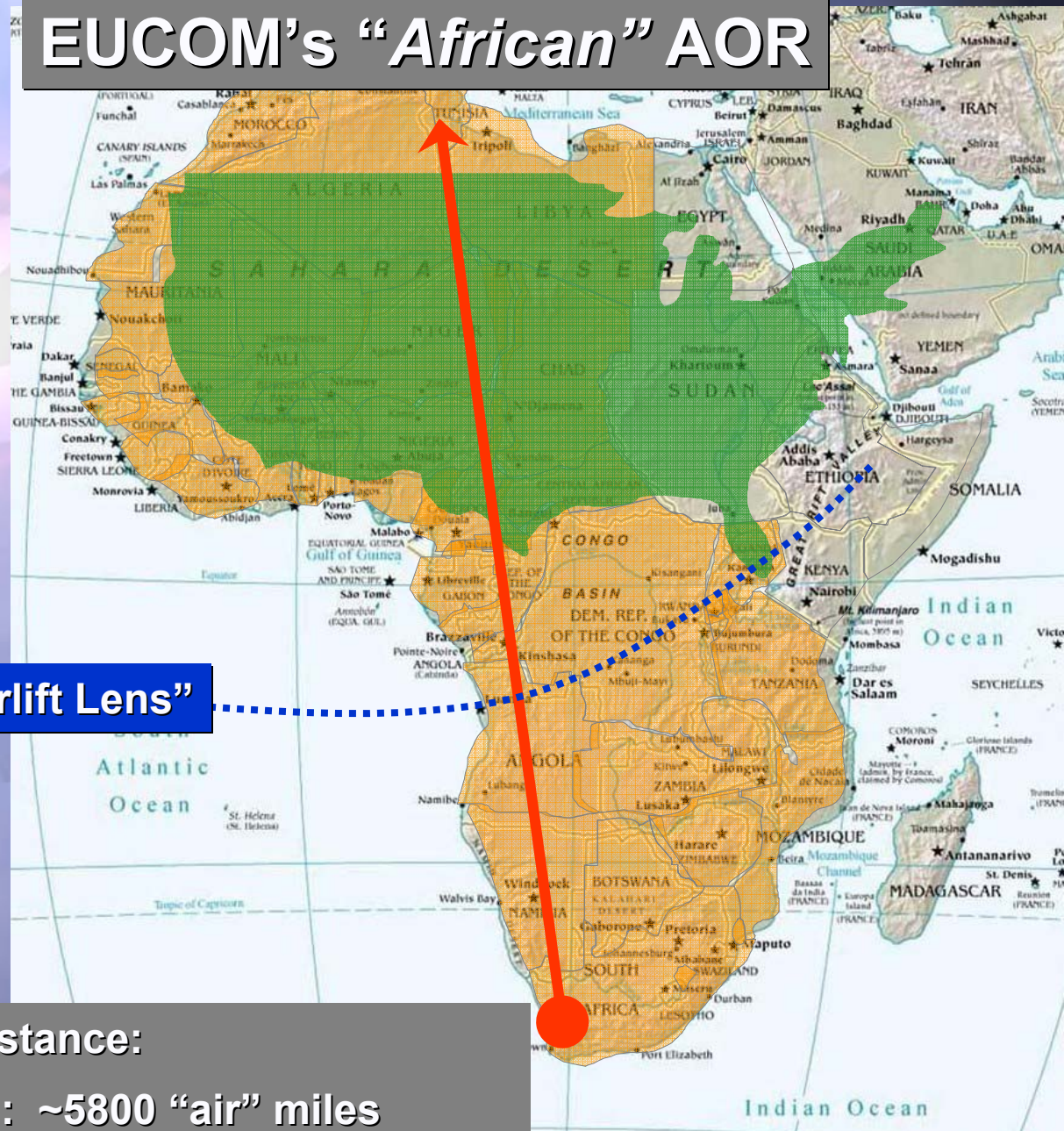
Black Sea Security System links Europe to the Eurasian energy corridor

Stability and sustainable security in Africa is beneficial to both Europe and the U.S.

A stable Gulf of Guinea – opportunity for Africa and future energy source for the West

**In Africa, ...American interests and principles...lead in the same direction  
--National Security Strategy**

# EUCOM's "African" AOR



**"Strategic Airlift Lens"**

Tyranny of size and distance:

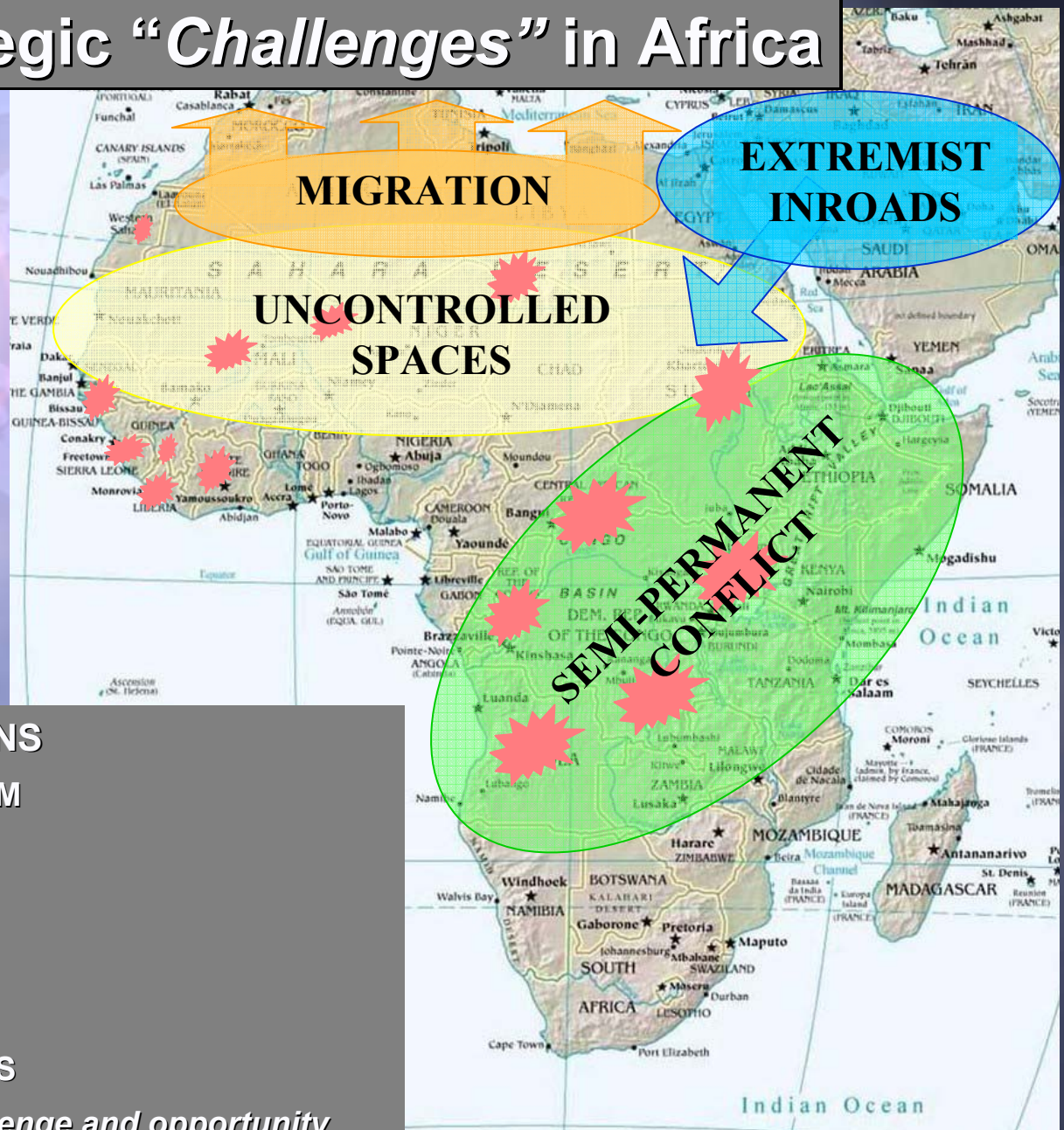
Stuttgart – Cape Town: ~5800 "air" miles

Stuttgart – Los Angeles, CA: ~5800 "air" miles

# Strategic “Challenges” in Africa



Wars and serious conflicts since 1994



## CONTINENT-WIDE CONCERNS

- PROPAGATION OF EXTREMISM
- INEFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE
- POVERTY
- CRIME
- HEALTH ISSUES-
- INFRASTRUCTURE PROBLEMS
- POPULATION ~800M ... a challenge and opportunity

# GSPC IN THE SAHEL



Abdelrezzak al-Para



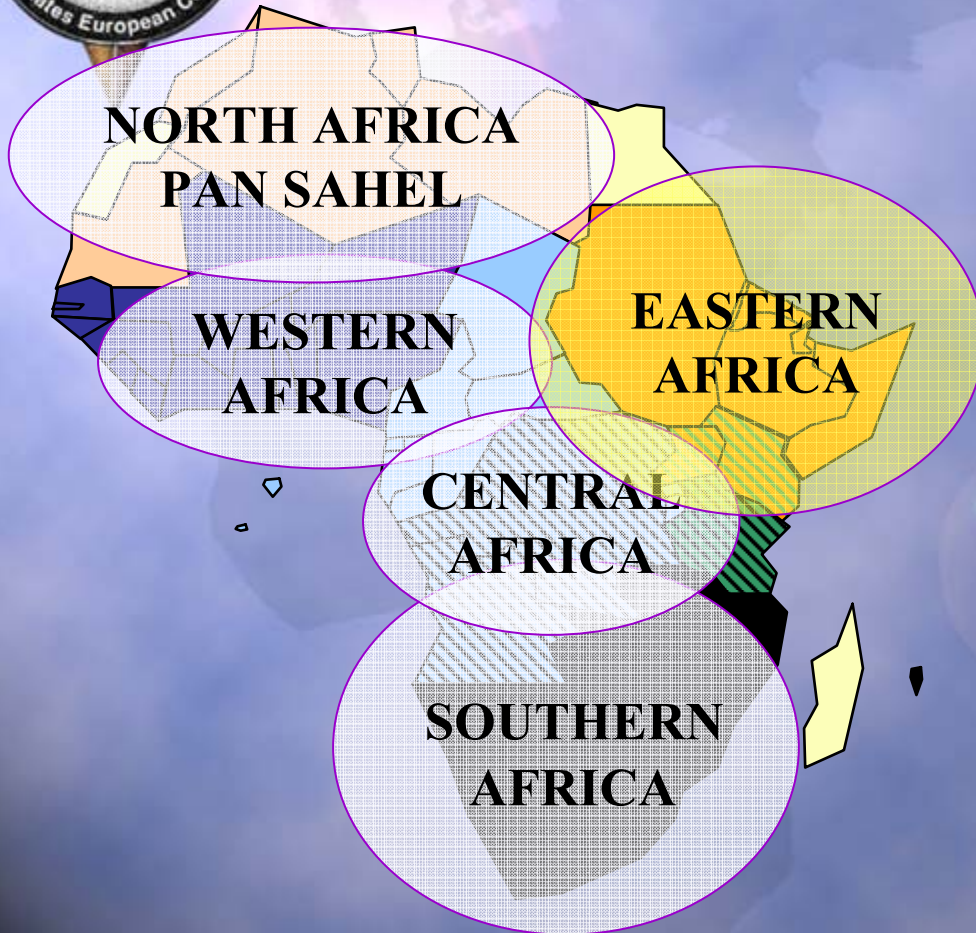
Feb 03: Takes host 1400 miles; same as Washington DC to Denver, CO

Feb – Early Mar 04:

4. Shifts operations to Niger

5, 6, 7 Tracked and engaged by Nigerian and Chadian military forces

# EUCOM Approach: Regional Focus



- ECOWAS
- SADC
- EAC
- Maghreb Union
- ECCAS (CEMAC)
- IGAD

**HELPING AFRICANS HELP THEMSELVES**

# Africa Union Standby Force

ASF HQ (Addis)

Regional ASF Brigade EAST

Regional ASF Brigade SOUTH

Regional ASF Brigade CENTRAL

Regional ASF Brigade WEST

Regional ASF Brigade NORTH



**IGAD**  
InterGov. Authority on Development



**ECCAS (CEMAC)**  
Economic Community of Central Afr. States



**SADC**  
Southern African Development Community

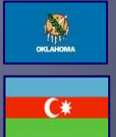
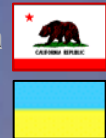
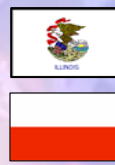


**ECOWAS**  
Economic Community of West African States



**?**  
Arab Magreb Union ?

# European State Partnerships



# African State Partnerships



**Algeria**  
Working eligibility requirements

**Tunisia**  
Awaiting partner designation

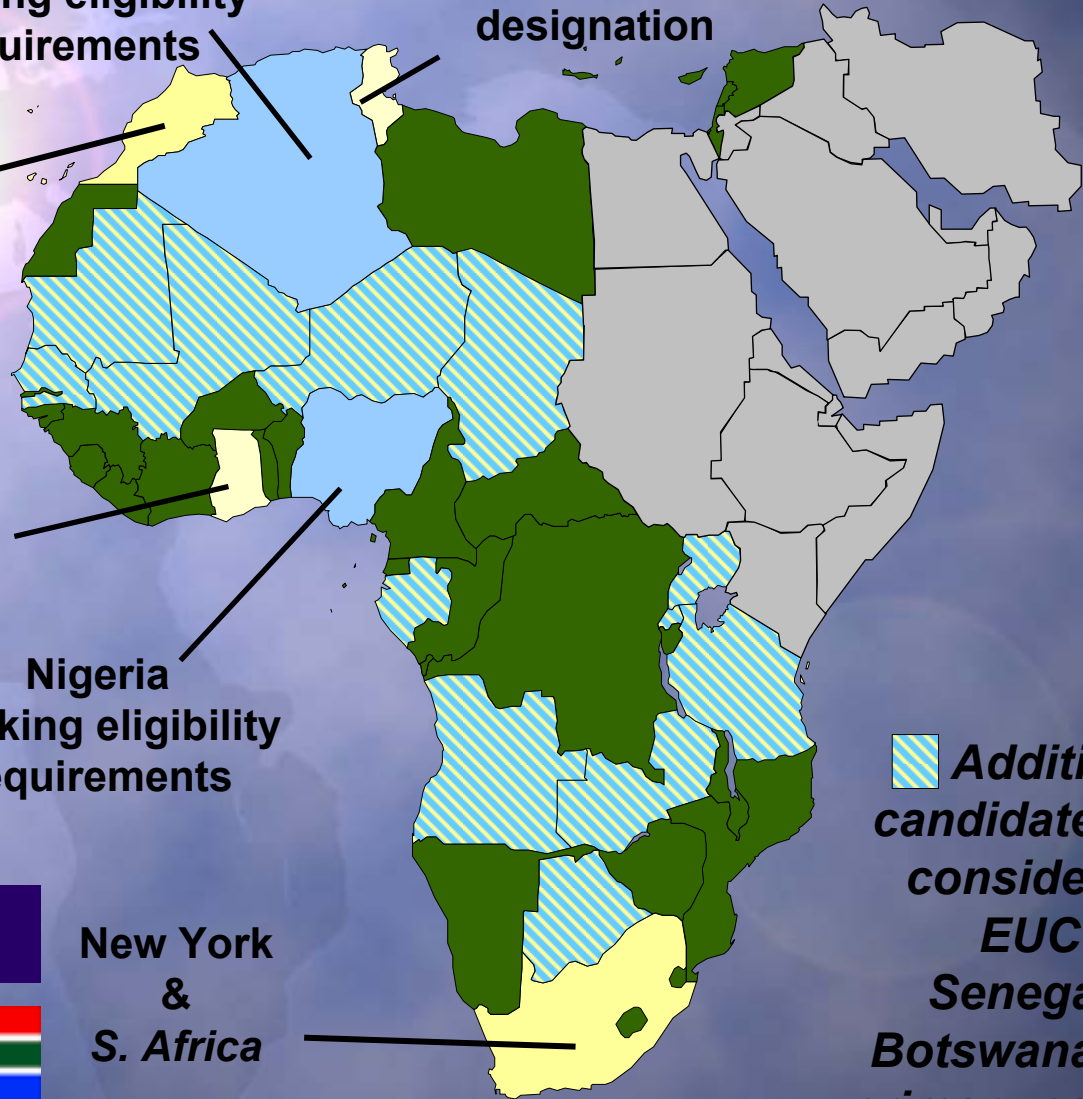


**Utah & Morocco**

**Ghana**  
Awaiting partner designation

**Nigeria**  
Working eligibility requirements

**New York & S. Africa**



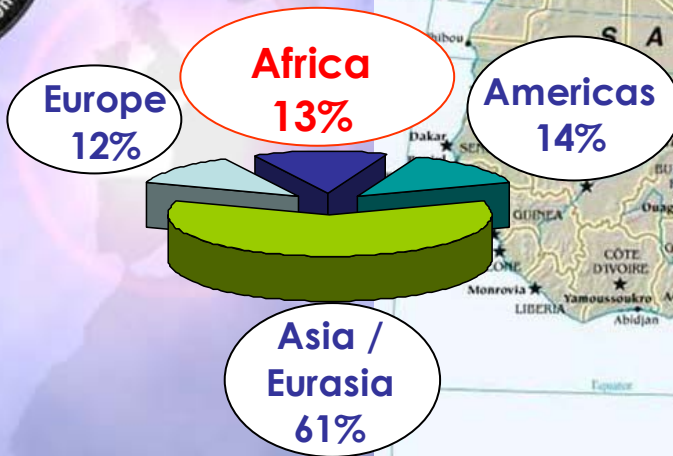
**Additional candidates being considered by EUCOM**  
**Senegal and Botswana are the primary candidates**



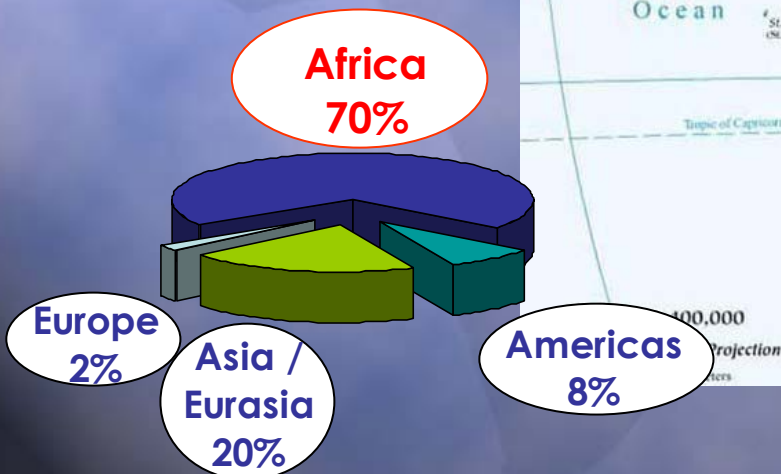
# AIDS/HIV: A Security Issue



## World Population



## HIV/AIDS Cases



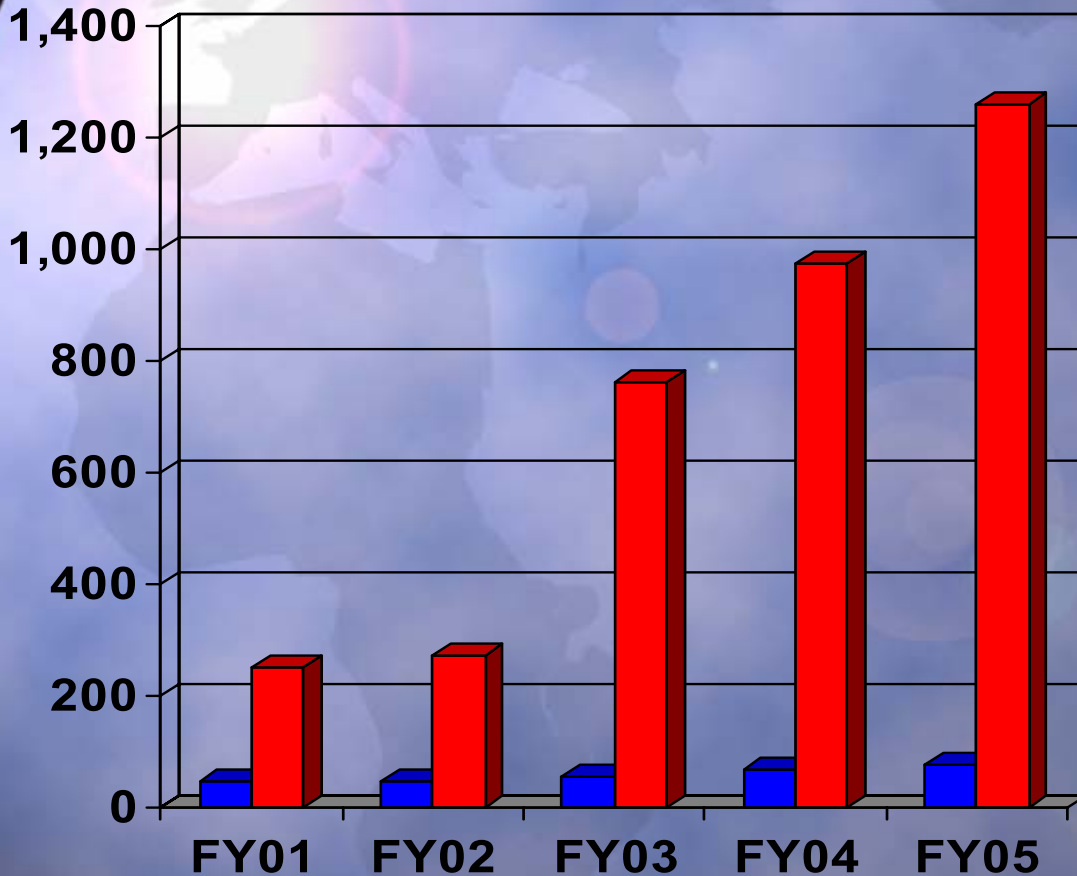
15 - 40% AIDS/HIV Prevalence



# U.S. "Security" Expenditures



\$M



**Total: \$289M**

- IMET, FMF, & ACOTA**
- UN PKO, NEO, & Crisis Operations**

**Total: \$3.53B**

**Pay now...or pay later**

# United States European Command

