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Summary of Insights from the **Disrupting Adversary Networks** Roundtable

- **Networks based on kinships, friends, disciples**
 - Formed in Diaspora, operate in a third country
 - Social before ideological (Salafist)
 - Self-mobilized
 - Personal and operational links
- **Networks based on tribes and clans in Iraq**
 - Adaptive, learning organizations (sociobiological basis)
 - Multiple networks, evolving into META-networks
 - Strategies to defeat must be equally adaptive
- **Disrupt by creating parallel networks**
 - Enemy networks operate within societies
 - Create competing networks, forcing enemy to surface
- **Identifying, targeting, tracking networks**
 - Humans are at the heart of networks
 - Detect, classify, identify
 - Physical, chemical, biological sensors
 - Develop technology toolkits



Discussion Group Insights

(**Disrupting Adversary Networks** Roundtable)

- No single worldwide network
- Islamist extremists are not the entire focus of insurgencies (also ethnic, separatist)
- Mixing separate issues
 - Counterinsurgency in Iraq
 - Global Al-Qaeda/Salafist threat
 - Failed state phenomena
- More than enough data but lack ability to share it
- Too many sensors can slow down analysis
- The nature of networks makes them very difficult to penetrate

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Unanswered Questions (**Disrupting Adversary Networks** Roundtable)

- **Discussion of China, non-state, and non-terrorist threats. URW implies**
 - **economic warfare**
 - **resource warfare**
 - **cultural warfare**



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Suggested Actions for **Strategy** (**Disrupting Adversary Networks** Roundtable)

- **Need for focus on specific regions**
- **Consider longer-term trajectory of Iraq**
 - **Implications of Civil War**
 - **Situation with the Kurds**
 - **Iraq in the region**
- **Shred out analysis of expeditionary terrorists versus homegrown and home-operating**



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Suggested Actions for **Analysis** (**Disrupting Adversary Networks** Roundtable)

- Intel analysts need a framework for threat assessment beyond force-on-force comparisons
 - Areas of interests to collect
 - Nonmilitary factors to consider
- Need analysts with new skills
 - Anthropology, biology, linguists



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Suggested Actions for **Technology** (**Disrupting Adversary Networks** Roundtable)

- **Devise ways to confront terrorists via the Internet**
- **Data collection has problems; information sharing is a bigger problem**
- **Create information systems that allow pull versus push intelligence**