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# Cyber Threat Center (CTC) – The Vision

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## 1- Introduction

### Origin of this effort

2008 meeting: LCol Drapeau wanted to improve CFNOC's capabilities:

- Protection against cyber attacks
- Capture ID of attackers (and other relevant information)
- Quick recovery after cyber attacks (& other activities)
- Capture of evidences for near-legal cyber forensics analysis
- Conduct both passive & proactive CND
- Eventually, conduct CNE & CNA (GoC policies...)

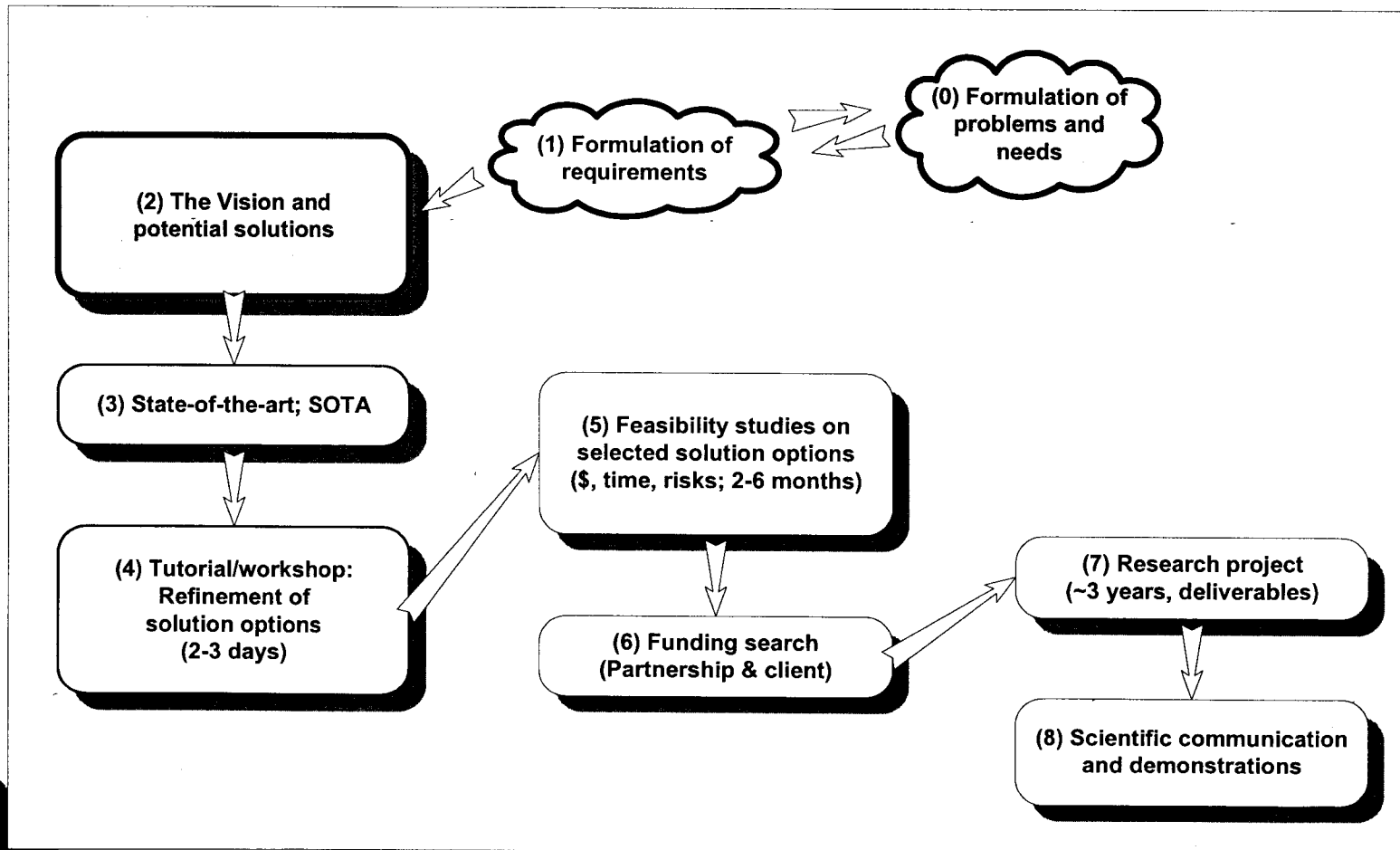
### Effort done so far in this direction

- 1- Nov.'08 @ Leitrim (LCol Drapeau, Major Lachine, Capt Messous)
- 2- Deployment of a DRDC Valcartier DS @ Leitrim (Jan. 2009)
- 3- Development of the CFNOC CTC vision
- 4- Writing of the Vision document



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## 1- Introduction; Methodology





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## 2- January 2009 deployment @ CFNOC

### Goals

- 1- Understand the CFNOC organization & its teams
  - Mission, CC, operations, tools, information, int/ext collaborations, ...
- 2- Get feedback from leading officers, analysts, technologists, ...
  - Vision, tasks, current problems, needs, elements of solution, ...
- 3- Start to integrate this information



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2- January 2009 deployment @ CFNOC; Framework

		A	B	C	D	E	F
		The “What”	The “How”	The “Where” & “connectivity”	The “Who”	The “When”	The “Why”
1	Scope (Contextual) (Planner)	Important “objects” to CFNOC	Used “processes”	“Locations” in which the CFNOC will operate	“Living entities” important to CFNOC	“Events/cycles” significant to CFNOC	“Goals/mission” CFNOC
2	Business mdl (Conceptual) (Owner)	Conceptual or semantic model (CARE Lab)	Business process model (CARE Lab)	Business logistics (CARE Lab)	Work flow model (CARE Lab)	Master schedule (CARE Lab)	Business plan (CARE Lab)
3	System mdl (Logical) (Designer)	Logical model (CARE Lab)	Application architecture (CARE Lab)	Distributed system architecture (CARE Lab)	Human interface architecture	Processing structure (CARE Lab)	Business rule model (CARE Lab)
4	Technology mdl (Physical) (Builder)	Physical model (CARE Lab)	System design (CARE Lab)	Technology architecture (CARE Lab)	Presentation architecture (CARE Lab)	Control structure (CARE Lab)	Rule design (CARE Lab)
5	Detailed representations (Sub-contractors)	Objects definition (CARE Lab)	Program, process (CARE Lab)	Network architecture (CARE Lab)	Security architecture (CARE Lab)	Timing definition (CARE Lab)	Rule specification (CARE Lab)
6	Functioning	Object	Function, capability, strategy	Network	Organization units	Schedule	ConOps, strategy

Some errors must be corrected in this figure



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**2- January 2009 deployment @ CFNOC**

**Types of questions that were asked to CFNOC people:**

- What is the **mission** of your team?
- Please describe your **tasks @ CFNOC**?
- Would you show me some current **security cases** & related documents
- What **tools** (hardware, software, information, others ...) are you using?
- Are there any **problems** that limit your work (or impact deliverables)?
- What **needs** can you identify from your position?
- Do you have any **elements of solution** to suggest?



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**2- January 2009 deployment @ CFNOC**

**→ The CFNOC CTC Vision: main points**

- CFNOC CTC will be a **recognized cyber threat center**
  - Pool of well trained analysts (military and civilian people); continuity...
  - 24/7 mode of operation (where necessary)
  - IR: (1day; 1<sup>st</sup> response) → (1 week; deeper an.) → (2 weeks; complete/deep an.)
  - Poll of external partners having complementary expertise
- **Focus and types of CNO**
  - Wired & wireless DND networks and activities (hardware, software & data)
  - **Passive CND**: IDS, IR, forensics analysis, malware & VA + remediation, technology/malware/Internet watch, blue/red teaming; quickly reproduce DND networks & simulate/test/PenTest, special ops & special deployments in theatres
  - **Proactive CND** (see Vision document)
  - And eventually **CNA** if GoC policies allow it
- **CFNOC CTC Vision** integrates people, SOTA tools, information, knowledge, expertise, processes, even working spaces, ...





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### 2- January 2009 deployment @ CFNOC

#### → Needs: main points (1/2)

- Confirm **CFNOC's mission** in function of:  
current and future GoC policies (current work; M. Bergeron )
- Liaise with other **governmental orgs** (is there a National cyber protection endeavor?)  
Ex: 76 Comm Sqn
- Identify needed **external partners** and define **collaboration processes**  
Ex: CSEC, RMC, DRDC, RCMP, many other important orgs
- Strong **support** from high-level management  
1) Mission definition; 2) \$ & H.R. to build/maintain the CFNOC CTC
- **Keep up to date** internal processes, equipment, information, infrastructure  
Security tools (hardw/softw), information (tech. spec.), working space, ...
- **Capture & keep up to date** (in a central repository) the knowledge @ CFNOC  
Make it available to appropriate people with appropriate permissions
- Improved means to **share the situation awareness internally**



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**2- January 2009 deployment @ CFNOC**

**→ Needs: main points (2/2)**

- CFNOC needs an appropriate number of **qualified people** (Mil./Civ.)  
Minimum knowledge & ability in Computer sciences
- **Strategic training plan** (and means) are needed as well  
Strategic because: consider people, operations, constraints, ...
- Keep **newly posted people** more than 2 or 3 years (4 years minimum)  
Hire civilians and involve reservists (insure continuity of CTC services)
- Security cases attributed to people (notion of **responsibility**, commitment, ...)
- A **strategy** for the building, maintenance and evolution of the CFNOC CTC
  - Passive CND: the current activities (see the Vision document)
  - Proactive CND: a new kind of activities (see the Vision document)
  - CNA: if GoC policies allow it



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**5 envisioned capabilities**

**RE  
&  
Related advanced  
analyses**

**Struct.:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> line

**Internet, Malware  
&  
Techno  
Watch**

**Integrated  
capabilities**

**Passive  
&  
Proactive  
CND**

**Capture  
&  
Legal evidences  
analyses**

Full description in  
the [Vision document](#) ...

**Capture of knowledge  
&  
Strategic training**



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## 4- The Vision document (DRDC TM 2009-61): TOC

- 1- CFNOC's mission(s)
- 2- Proposed strategy for the development of the CFNOC CTC
  - ➔ Short-term: Passive CND
  - ➔ Mid-term: Proactive CND
  - Long-term: CNE & CNA if GoC policies allow it
- 3- Description of needed capabilities
  - 1- **RE and similar advanced analysis**
  - 2- **Capture of evidences and cyber forensics analysis**
  - 3- **Passive and proactive defensive measures**
  - 4- **Capture of knowledge and strategic training**
  - 5- **Threat, technology and Internet watch**
- 4- Concrete development plan
  - A 4-phase S&T project (TDP ??); aims to implement the strategy (2)



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## 5- Conclusion

**We have the vision, so what is next?**

### **1- Identify & describe current (and future) capability gaps**

Consider evolution of CFNOC's mission & GoC policies

### **2- Prioritize solution options (from the Vision document & others)**

### **3- Identify a strategy for building & maintaining the CFNOC CTC**

Consider selected options & proposed strategy

Consider constraints (availability of resources, GoC policies, ...)

Identify & involve potential partners

### **4- Prioritize actions**

High-level management, CFNOC and its partners



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## Many documents were consulted:

- **CFNOC:** CONOPS (CFNOC, NAT, AAT, CND-Troops, ...), past & current security cases
- **NIST:** (many good documents to be utilized @ CFNOC)
- **Government of USA:** DoD, Homeland Security, recommendations for President, others...
- **GoC:** Treasury board of Canada (Proactive cyber defence)
- **Security organizations:** SOPHOS, McAfee, Symantek, Cigital, Kapersky, IBM, ESDA, Gartner, VisionGain, C-SAFE, ...
- **Books & papers:** Cyber forensics, RE, cyber threats, vulnerability, security tools, cyber attack tools, ...
- Others

→ The complete list will be available in the Vision document