

Major Event Planning Ottawa Police Service Superintendent Pat Hayes

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Planning – At all Levels

- Requires Communication, Cooperation and Coordination
- Various sub-plans integrated into one Master Plan
- All participating services – Interoperability
- First point of contact – critical to flow of plan
- Situations / plans can change without notice or reason



Recent Events in Ottawa

- November 2001 G20, WTO & IMF Meetings
- February 2002 G7 Finance Ministers
- June 2002 G8 Demonstrations in Ottawa, related to meeting in Kananaskis
- December 2004 U.S. Presidential Visit
George W. Bush

All events required a coordinated and integrated approach to plan, organize and direct resources assigned to the events.



Terms for Discussion

- 1) Planned Events:
 - Various thresholds and degrees of response
 - Team has time to prepare a plan
 - Requires the ability to improvise

- 2) Planned Events:
 - Short Term (3 – 30 days notice)
 - Long Term (months to years notice)



Planned Events – Short Term

- The police and partner services have enough advance notice of an event to discuss, organize and coordinate their plans to ensure a rapid and comprehensive response. Resources are tasked, based upon and risk/threat assessment. Examples may include:
 - Large scale visits of a VIP
 - Sporting Event - large crowds expected



Planned Events – Long Term

- The police and partner services may form an integrated team to identify the goals, objectives, mandate and mission of the long term project.
- A need analysis is conducted, resource requirements and identified and staffed accordingly. This may include:
 - Canada Day Celebrations
 - Calgary Stampede
 - Olympics in 2010.



Unplanned Event (no notice)

A) Emergency (Police)

- teams react to a threat or risk and plan accordingly. i.e. hostage taking, robbery

B) Non-Emergency (Multi-Services)

- teams respond to a threat or disruption of service
i.e. strikes, walkout, demonstration



Risk Management

- Risk
 - A combination of likelihood and consequence of a specific hazard being realized
 - A measure of harm or loss associated to an activity
- Risk Management
 - Covers processes involved in identifying, assessing and judging risks, assigning ownership and taking action to mitigate or anticipate risks
 - Pre planned event may evolve into an unplanned event



Planning Challenges

- Planning for an unpredictable environment
- Recognizing the stakeholders and their divergent interests
- Comprehending capabilities and objectives of the integrated organizations



Integration / Past 10 Years

- “Think Globally, Act Locally”
- Very strong partnerships with Emergency Services and City Partners
- Integration and interoperability are considered critical components of effective partnerships



Emergency Services - Goals

- a) To respond quickly, decisively and effectively, in concert with our partner Services
- b) Continue to practice & validate their capabilities to respond as an integrated Team
- c) Prevention, preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation
- d) Review, refine and improve our Emergency Plans & Procedures