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STUDENT OUTLINE

CONVOY COMMANDER'S BRIEFING OUTLINE

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. Terminal Learning Objective: Given the requirement to execute vehicular movements, commander's guidance, and the references, conduct convoy operations, to ensure movement of assets to the specific destination is within the commander's established time schedules. (0402.04.05)

2. Enabling Learning Objective:

(1) Given the references, commander's guidance, a movement order for a motor transport tactical convoy operation, and a requirement to execute vehicular movements, conduct a convoy commander's brief, per the references. (0402.04.05g)

OUTLINE

1. PREPARATION OF A CONVOY COMMANDER' BRIEFING OUTLINE

a. Convoy personnel should be briefed after all vehicles are lined up in the order of march so that everyone in the convoy knows exactly where they fit in the convoy and where the support vehicles (wreckers, refuelers, security, et cetera) are located.

b. The briefing should be conducted by the convoy commander and given to all drivers, vehicle commanders, and passengers.

c. Sample Formats for the Convoy Commander's Brief are Found in:

(1) FMFM 4-9, Appendix J.

(2) TM 11240-14/2, Appendix E.

(3) MCRP 4-11.3F, Appendix F.

d. The format of the brief is very similar to the familiar five paragraph order with a sixth paragraph, safety, added on. The content of the outline comes from the movement order.

(1) Situation.

(a) Friendly forces.

(b) Support units.

(c) Enemy situation.

(2) Mission.

(a) Type of cargo.

(b) Origin.

(c) Destination.

(3) Execution.

(a) General organization of the convoy.

(b) Time schedule.

(c) Routes.

(d) Convoy speed.

(e) Vehicle distances/gaps.

(f) Checkpoints.

(g) Emergency measures.

1 Accidents.

2 Breakdowns.

3 Separation from convoy.

4 Attack.

attack. a Action of convoy in the event of an

attack. b Action of the security forces during

c Air watch and air attack alarms.

5 Medical support.

(4) Administration and logistics.

(a) Cargo loading and unloading.

(b) Control of personnel.

(c) Cargo security.

(d) Uniform and equipment.

(e) Billeting arrangements.

(f) Messing arrangements.

(g) Refueling of vehicles.

(h) Vehicle recovery.

(i) Off-load instructions.

(5) Command and signal.

(a) Location of convoy commander.

(b) Designation of assistant convoy commander.

(c) Succession of command.

(d) Action of the security force commander.

(e) Serial commander's responsibility.

(f) Arm and hand signals.

(6) Safety.

(a) Hazards of route and weather conditions.

(b) Defensive driving.

(c) Weapons safety and security.

2. CONVOY COMMANDER'S DUTIES

a. Prior to Movement the Convoy Commander will:

(1) Make sure that security instructions have been followed.

(2) View the loading of the vehicles.

(3) Make sure the vehicles are properly staged.

(4) Coordinate the defense plan with the security force.

(5) Designate subordinate commanders.

(a) Establish a chain of command.

(b) Delegate duties to subordinate commanders.

(6) Deliver the convoy commander's brief.

(7) Supervise the final coordination and preparation for departure.

b. During the Movement the Convoy Commander will:

(1) Position himself where he can best control the convoy.

(2) Make continuous estimates of the situation.

(a) On the road.

(b) Around the line of march.

(3) Make required location spot reports and after action reports.

(4) Coordinate supporting arms.

c. After the Movement the Convoy Commander will:

(1) Complete the after action report.

(2) Prepare for the next mission.

REFERENCES

1. *TM 11240-14/2, Logistics Consideration for Motor Transport Convoy Operations in a Guerrilla Environment.*
2. *FMFM 4-9, Motor Transport*
3. *MCRP 4-11.3F, Convoy Operations Handbook*