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A Tool for the Human Domain

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Four European special operators discuss the need for NATO to use a bottom-up approach during irregular warfare conflicts to establish a governance authority considered legitimate by the populace within a reasonable timeframe; special operations forces are the key to success in this endeavor.

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Bernard B. Fall, PhD

Based on a 1964 lecture, this article still has relevance today. The author provides numerous examples of revolutionary wars, and discusses the challenges inherent in revolutionary war and the need for continued evolution of counterinsurgency tactics and doctrine.

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Soldiers from the 350th Tactical Psychological Operations, 10th Mountain Division, drop leaflets 6 March 2008 over a village near Hawijah in Kirkuk Province, Iraq. The leaflets are intended to promote the idea of self-government to area residents.
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The Indispensable Warrior Skill

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**Religious Engagement and the Seventh Warfighting Function**

Time to Stop, Listen, and Engage

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The former commander of an Army translator and interpreter company discusses problems with the training and utilization of soldiers in this military occupational specialty and provides recommendations to maximize the effectiveness of this critical asset.

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Effective communication can set the conditions for future operations and may be able to prevent future conflict. Commanders must establish a communication mindset and empower subordinates to communicate.

**Public Opinion**

A center of gravity can be moral as well as physical, and public support is an essential element of the moral center of gravity. Military leaders must consider the impact of public opinion in operational planning and execution.

Soldiers from the 9th Psychological Operations Battalion, 4th PSYOP Group, conduct a leaflet drop 26 October 2009 over a village in Iraq. PSYOP soldiers use leaflets to disseminate important information to the local populace, including information about upcoming humanitarian assistance missions.

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