

Yellowknife Amateur Radio Society



ARES Planning – A Structured Approach using
Standard Operating Procedures

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Outline

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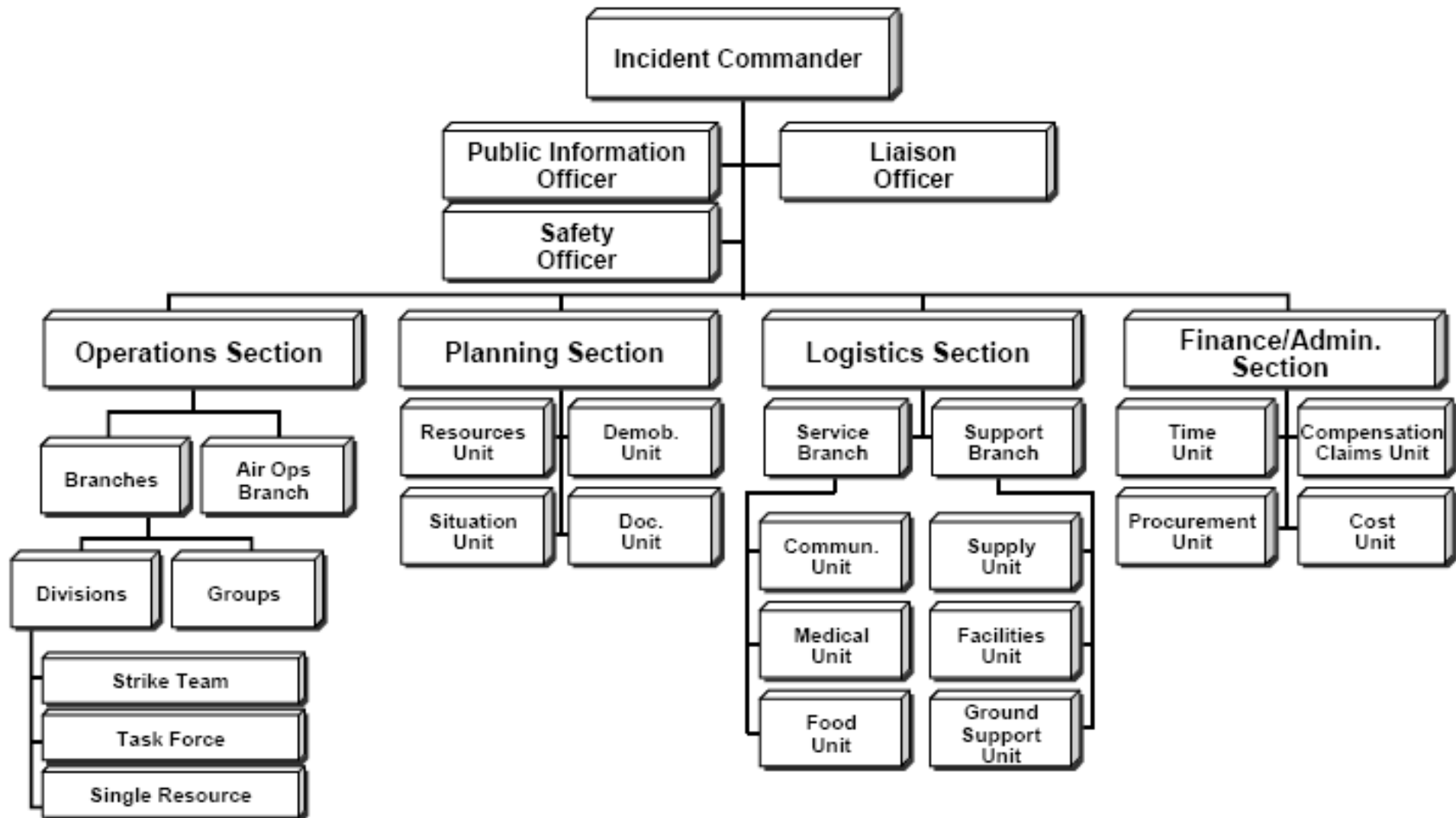
Introduction

- VE8RT requests a more structured approach to YARS ARES planning
- IR agrees to provide a presentation to the ARES Working Group
- It is a question of mapping our route to deliverables
- Integral part of the planning process

Where we have been...

- Last Meeting
 - Contingency Plans
 - Digital Modes using Linux
 - Relations with Territorial EMO and CFARS
- Last Year
 - RAC ARES Manual
 - Grab and Go Kits
 - ICS
 - Mapping of SOP Project
 - Some work on the Emergency Plan

Incident Command System



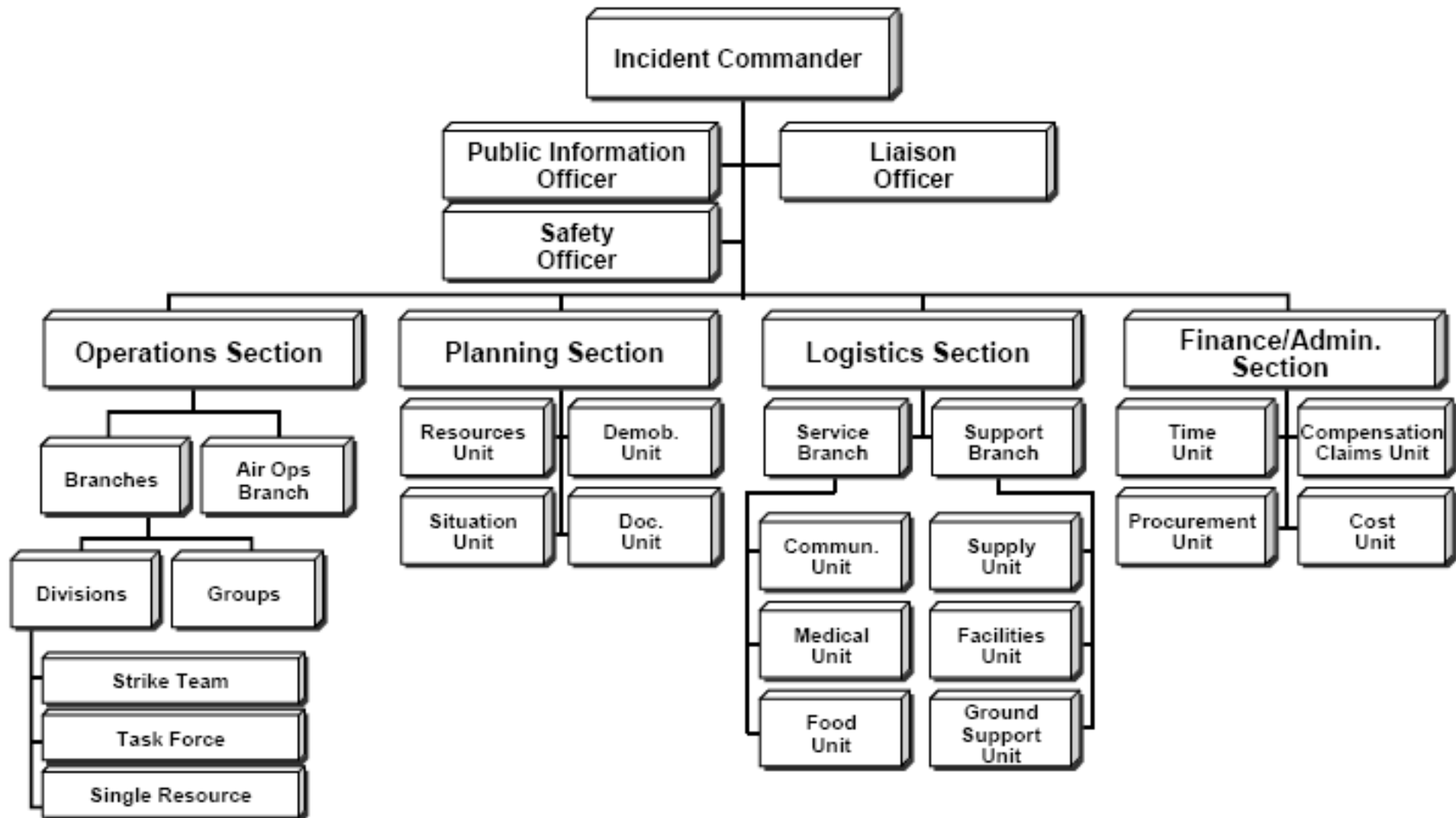
Continental Staff System

- * J, for Joint (multiple services) headquarters
- * C, for combined headquarters (multiple nations) headquarters
- * G, for Army or Marines headquarters division level and above ("General")
- * N, for Navy headquarters
- * A, for Air Force headquarters

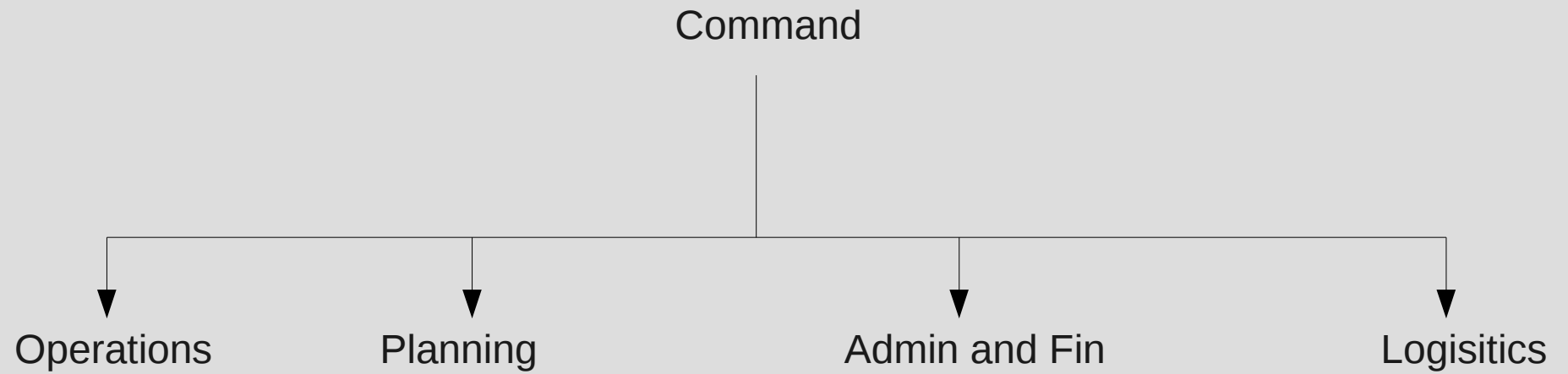
The staff numbers are assigned according to custom, traceable back to French practice; 1 is not "higher" than 2:

- * 1, for personnel and administration
- * 2, for intelligence and security
- * 3, for operations
- * 4, for logistics
- * 5, for Plans
- * 6, for signal (i.e., communications or IT)
- * 7, for Training.
- * 8, for Finance and contracts. Also known as "Resource Management".
- * 9, for CIMIC or Civil Affairs.

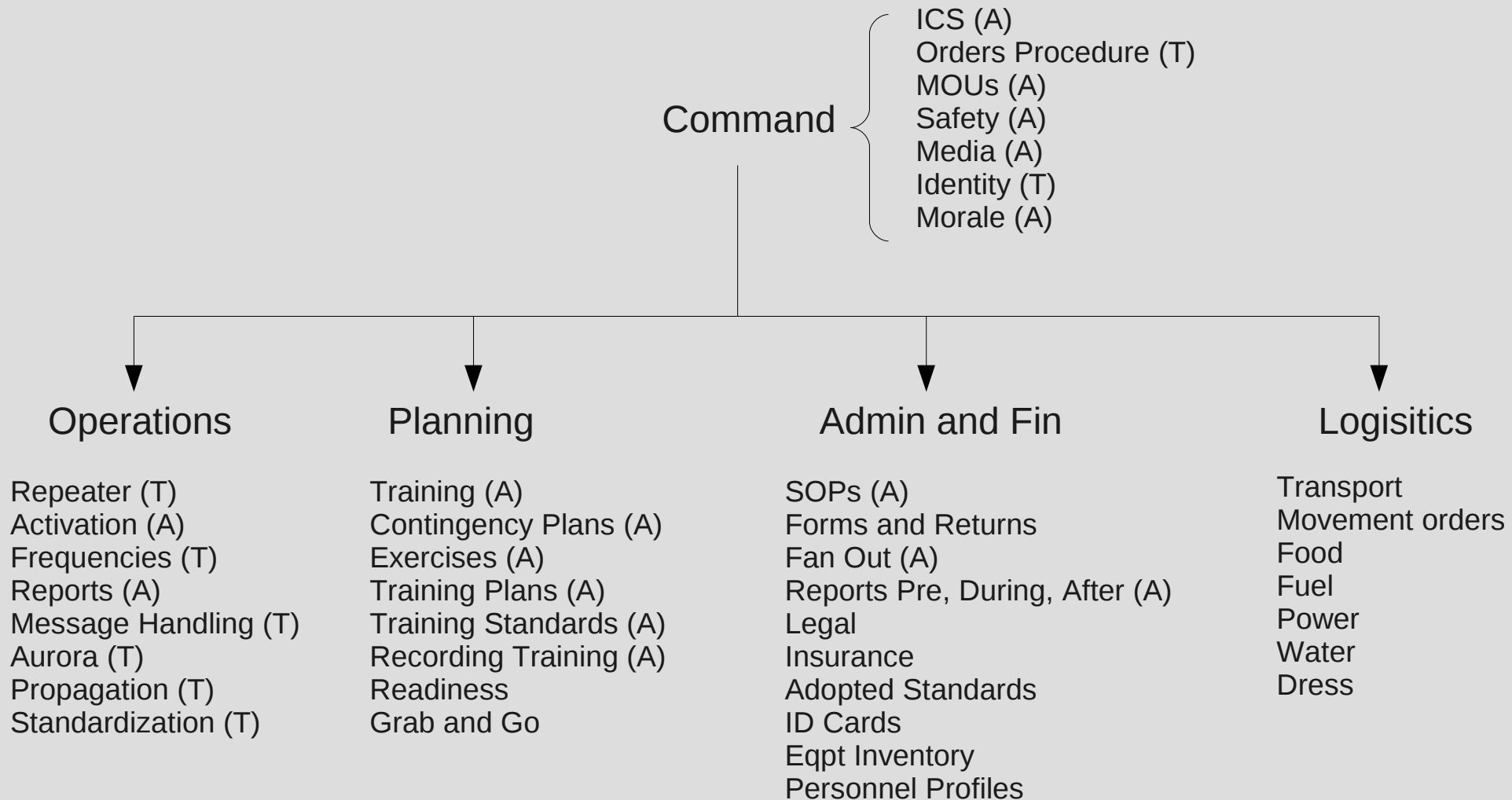
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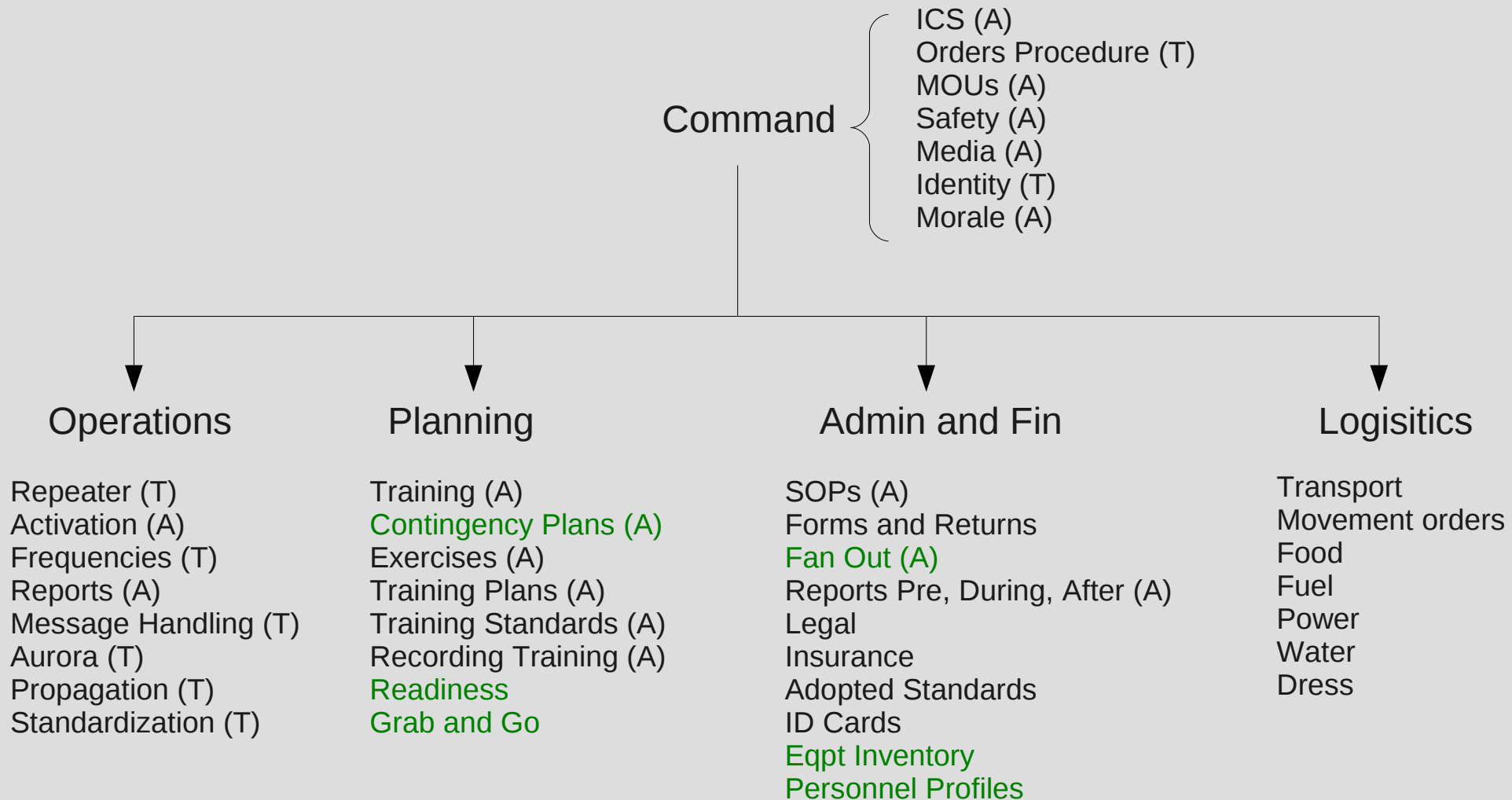
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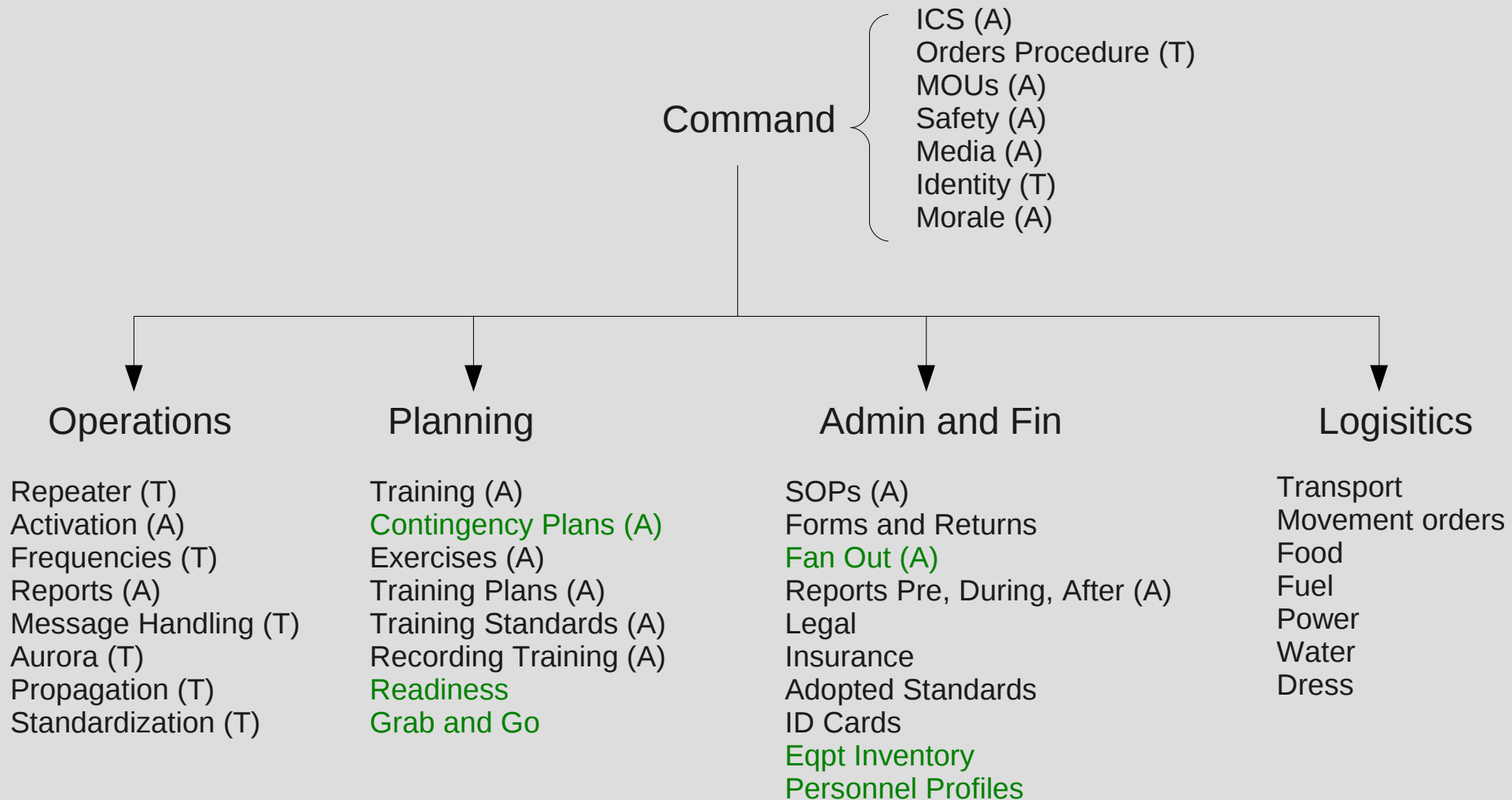
What is done

- Emergency Plan (draft)
- MOUs with agencies (??)
- SOPs
 - Running of Nets
 - How to write SOPs
- Research
 - Filed filing procedures
 - Issuing of orders (battle procedure)
 - SOPs (EPA)
 - Safety (St. John's Ambulance)
 - Field Day Plans, Fox hunts

Where we are going

- Emergency Plan – to be finalized
- MOUs with agencies – to be entered into
- SOPs
 - Running of Nets
 - How to write SOPs
 - **New SOPs**
 - **Grab and go kits**
 - **Fan out**
 - **Equipment list**
 - **Personnel lists**
 - **Readiness**
 - **Contingency Plans**

Where we are at...



SOP Structure

- ICS structured
- Corporate memory
- Documentation
- Planning
- Achievable goals
 - Reality of a volunteer organization
 - Time and resources
- Risk of Von Schliefflen Plan Inflexibility
- “Chill Out”

Assumptions being tested

- Hurricane Katrina
 - Breakdown of FEMA system
 - Destructive organizational rivalry
 - Poor management
 - New Orleans Police Department Desertions
 - Looting
- Haitian Earthquake
 - Failure of satellite telephones
 - Lack of amateurs and infrastructure
 - Civil unrest
- Chile Earthquake
 - Looting



Flexibility

- Value in planning as an exercise in its own right
- To be flexible, we must not necessarily be slave to plans
- We must be prepared to act where others do not (ARES v. RACES)

Conclusion

We just continue...