

Battlespace Command and Control Center (BC3) Air Force Central Command (AFCENT) Increment 2 Testing

This report provides an assessment of Battlespace Command and Control Center-Air Force Central Command (BC3-AFCENT) Increment 2 performance. The Air Force fielded BC3-AFCENT Increment 2 in March 2009. This report meets the intent of Section 231 of the 2007 National Defense Authorization Act. In the report, I conclude the following:

- The Air Force conducted an abbreviated BC3-AFCENT Increment 2 operational test to support initial fielding.
- Basic system performance appears to meet initial AFCENT air surveillance and command and control requirements. However, testing identified serious communications and information assurance deficiencies. Some data link and integrated air defense capabilities were not tested.
- The abbreviated operational test period did not produce sufficient operating hours to assess system reliability, availability, and maintainability performance. Testing did identify numerous suitability deficiencies, including environmental control system failures and shortfalls in supply support, technical data, support equipment, and training.

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