

WORKING PAPERS

(S) PROPOSED GRILL FLAME PROTOCOL (U)
(S-ORCON) PROPOSED AMSAA
APPLIED REMOTE VIEWING PROTOCOL (S-ORCON)

1. (S-ORCON) GENERAL

This protocol contains the procedure for AMSAA sponsored remote viewing. It is in effect for the period required to accomplish the scope of work. Remote viewing (RV) is an intellectual process by which a person perceives characteristics of a location remote from that person. RV does not involve any electronic sensing devices at or focused at the target site, nor does it involve classical photo interpretation of photographs obtained from overhead or oblique means. The individual performing RV (the remote viewer) is provided with a unique identifier such as stationary map coordinates, a specific structure, an identifiable vehicle (aircraft tail number) or a specific individual (name, place of birth, age, and/or photograph). The task of the remote viewer is to locate, identify and/or describe the target. The task is achievable^{1,2,3,4,5}. No drugs, hypnosis, visual, auditory or olfactory stimuli, liminal or subliminal, will be used in this RV protocol.

2. (S-ORCON) MILITARY OBJECTIVE

It is the objective of this protocol to standardize the process of RV so that it may become an established task in the spectrum of intelligence and information gathering functions and for target acquisition applications.

3. (S-ORCON) MILITARY APPLICATIONS

RV provides a capability to target field mobile weapons which are currently difficult or impossible to detect prior to launch, such as tactical missiles and rockets and attack helicopters. RV can be used to: target on key enemy military individuals from covert agents to key battle commanders; detect the change in state of military units and to rapidly determine the damage resulting from non-nuclear weapon attack; and to determine the access code to computers and other electronic devices. US Army Personnel, units, materiel and operations are vulnerable to RV. Countermeasures must be devised to reduce this vulnerability.

4. (U) APPROVAL HISTORY (U)

The Commander, US Army Materiel Development and Readiness Command (DARCOM) approved in principle the US Army Materiel Systems Analysis Activity (AMSAA) involvement in what is now known as project GRILL FLAME in April 1978. In May 1978, the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence (ACSI) accepted lead responsibility for GRILL FLAME applications. Overall DoD responsibility resides with the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA).

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5. (S-ORCON) DEFINITIONS

a. Remote Viewing (RV): an intellectual process by which a person perceives characteristics of a location remote from that person; it does not involve any electronic sensing devices at or focused at the target nor does it involve classical photo interpretation of photographs obtained from overhead or oblique means.

b. Remote Viewer: the person who locates, identifies and/or describes the target.

c. Interviewer: the person who interacts with the remote viewer before, during and after the RV session.

d. Remote Viewing Session: a single attempt by the remote viewer to locate, identify and/or describe a target.

e. Project Officer: the overall, responsible individual for all aspects of the project.

6. (S-ORCON) Procedure

To provide a framework for standardizing the task of RV, a series of RV sessions will be conducted. The elements of an RV session are (1) target selection; (2) remote viewer session preliminaries; (3) remote viewing session; and (4) post-session analysis. The procedure will be described using geographic coordinates as the remote target identifier.

(1) TARGET SELECTION

From a target pool of 50 - 100 geographical coordinates previously selected by an individual, called the target pool selector (TPS), the TPS will select a target for the session. This person does not communicate at any time with the remote viewer or the interviewer. The 50 - 100 individual targets are randomized, numbered and stored in a secure container accessible only to the TPS. A target is presented only once to the remote viewer.

(2) REMOTE VIEWER SESSION PRELIMINARIES

Before a first RV session is scheduled, the remote viewer is oriented to the procedure to be followed by the interviewer. The remote viewer needs to understand that he or she should state raw perceptions; experience has shown¹ that specific definitions are quite often wrong while the initial raw perception tends to be correct. Remote viewers are always encouraged to express their feelings and ideas for enhancing all aspects of the RV process.

(3) REMOTE VIEWING SESSION

During the 30 - 60 minutes prior to the agreed-upon start time of a session, the interviewer offers some encouragement to the remote viewer in the manner of a coach giving a pep talk to his team.

During the 15 minutes immediately before the session, the remote viewer and interviewer are generally silent. Experience has shown (unpublished data) that this "quiet time" enhances the RV process.

During the 15 minutes the remote viewer and the interviewer function as a team. The interviewer provides encouragement with words of reassurance that the task is in fact possible. At no time is the session conducted by the remote viewer in the absence of all other persons.

If the remote viewer does not have any immediate sensory images, the interviewer applies no pressure; rather, the interviewer reassures the remote viewer that they have all the time in the world. When the remote viewer has an image, experience suggests (unpublished data) that the remote viewer often intellectually transports himself or herself to the remote target site. The interviewer, in conversation with the remote viewer, may then suggest that the remote viewer intellectually move around at the site and describe the site more fully (e.g., buildings, terrain features, people, activities, machinery, etc).

If it appears to the interviewer that the images are in some way contradictory or inconsistent, the interviewer may then attempt clarification by asking questions in order to verify what the remote viewer first described.

The RV session is tape recorded and pen and paper are available for the remote viewer to sketch his perceptions. Experience has shown¹ that some remote viewers prefer to combine written and oral descriptions, while some prefer to work sequentially.

The average RV session is approximately 30 minutes and never exceeds 60 minutes.

(4) POST-SESSION ANALYSIS

After the RV session is over, the remote viewer and interviewer obtain from the TPS specific information about the target information package and compare their session results with these data. The remote viewer and the interviewer discuss the session results. The purpose of this post-session analysis is to provide the remote viewer with the satisfaction of knowing how well he or she did.

7. (SORCON) VARIATIONS IN PROCEDURE FOR RV

a. The foregoing has focused on the use of coordinates to obtain from a remote viewer the description of that site. Another approach to the same goal is to use a person in place of a coordinate. For example, the remote viewer is provided some personal information and then proceeds to describe the location of the individual. Thus, the individual serves as a beacon to locate the target by RV. To standardize this approach, the procedure described in paragraph 6 is modified.

b. The elements of this procedure consist of (1) target selection; (2) remote viewer session preliminaries; (3) activity of person who serves as beacon; (4) remote viewing session; and (5) post-session analysis.

(1) TARGET SELECTION

A target pool of 50 - 100 targets will be selected by a TPS. The targets chosen will be distinctive, to include more than one example of each. This precludes the remote viewer from eliminating a target because one example was used before. The remote viewer is informed that the target pool consists of similar as well as different types of targets. All other aspects of the target selection element of the procedure remain the same.

(2) REMOTE VIEWER SESSION PRELIMINARIES

This element is identical to that of the basic RV procedure.

(3) ACTIVITY OF PERSON WHO SERVES AS BEACON

At the beginning of the RV session, the remote viewer and interviewer are given one or more items of biographical information or may even meet briefly, for 3-5 minutes, the individual serving as the beacon. If the latter is the case, the beacon individual departs the meeting and obtains the target from the TPS. This procedure eliminates the possibility of the beacon individual divulging any hint of the target. The beacon individual travels to the target, arriving there at the previously specified time. He or she then interacts with the site for the predetermined length of time of the RV session.

(4) REMOTE VIEWING SESSION

This element is identical to that of the basic RV procedure.

(5) POST-SESSION ANALYSIS

This element is identical to that of the basic RV procedure.

8. (S-ORCON) SCOPE OF TARGETS FOR REMOTE VIEWING

AMSAA sponsored RV will exclude US, allied, or neutral nation's citizens as targets.

9. (S-ORCON) PERFORMING ORGANIZATION

AMSAA is the performing organization.

10. (S-ORCON) PROJECTED MAXIMUM NUMBER OF REMOTE VIEWERS AND INTERVIEWERS

2 active duty military, assigned to AMSAA (officers)

8 DA civilians (GS 12 and above) assigned to AMSAA

3 AMSAA civilian consultants (retired general officer)

Persons involved will be principally either remote viewers or interviewers, but there may be some exchange of roles.

11. (S-ORCON) SELECTION OF REMOTE VIEWERS AND INTERVIEWERS

A number of AMSAA personnel were introduced to the RV phenomena by a guest speaker presentation on the subject. Following this initial introduction, others became familiar with the phenomena through the circulation of open literature publications on RV. Discussions about the military applications of RV phenomena by interested analysts resulted in a decision by AMSAA management to seek establishment of a program to define the military utility of the process. Individuals who had previously shown an interest in the potential application of the RV process were invited to participate as a remote viewer or interviewer. Individuals desiring to participate in these tasks were accepted. Other individuals selected after the initial participants were identified were given an orientation on the phenomena and asked to read published materials on RV. After a familiarization with the RV process and procedures, individuals were asked if they would be willing to participate as a remote viewer or interviewer. Only those individuals who indicated a positive desire to participate were accepted.

12. (S-ORCON) REPLICATION OF THE RV PROCESS

It is proposed to conduct up to 25 RV sessions per month. Three principal RV procedures have been described: one uses map coordinates, one uses a beacon individual (introduced to the remote viewer) and a third uses a beacon individual (not introduced to the remote reviewer). It is our goal to have each person participating as a

remote viewer (about 8 persons) perform each of the 3 RV procedures at least 5 times in the course of this protocol (8 x 3 x 5 = 120 RV Total). The minimum time required to achieve this goal at the rate of about 25 RV sessions a month is 6 months. Realistically, participants will not be available from other duties on such an intensive basis. Therefore, we project at least 10 months to accomplish this number of RV sessions.

For each participant, the maximum number of RV sessions will be 2 per day and no more than 3 per week.

13. (S-ORCON) JUDGING

The recorded RV images are independently evaluated by one or more judges in the following manner to semi-quantitatively determine the appropriateness of the RV results to the intended remote targets.

1. Determine the principle form concepts (PC) stated in the images recorded in each RV session transcript.

2. At each target site judge the appropriateness, on a scale of 0 to 10, of each PC of each transcript.

3. Calculate the mean and variance of all the judged PCs of each RV session for each target.

4. Rank the appropriateness of each RV session for each target using the calculated mean values.

5. Review the appropriateness of each ranking utilizing any drawings or sketches to determine a final judged rank ordering of each RV session with each target.

14. (S-ORCON) CONFIDENTIALITY

Individuals performing as remote viewers and interviewers under the AMSAA GRILL FLAME programs will not be identified outside of their parent organization without their prior consent and they will be referred to in project records only by an alpha-numeric designator. Products of remote viewers and interviews such as tapes, drawings, transcripts, rosters, or other materials which might reveal the identity of the remote viewer will be coded to assure the protection of their identity.

15. (S-ORCON) PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

RV sessions will be conducted in an ordinary room at ambient temperature and humidity during the normal waking hours of the participants. The only limitations on these parameters will be security from electronic eavesdropping and elimination of ordinary distracting noises such as a radio and office machinery.

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