Multi-Wing Ops/IAP.

In the future when two Wings plan a multi-wing training exercise they shall both plan and develop one IAP that they can work with.

The IAP should include the following items for consideration in the IAP:

1. Are the goals the same for each wing? Is there a pre-planned scenario/events so everybody knows what is going on? Or is there going to be a inject team handling the events or tasking of the mission?
We just had one exercise and each wing wanted the training to accomplish two entirely different set of goals. One wanted one ICP they could come to, the other wanted two ICP's and they could work together for planning, but each had their own Command/Control and Comm.

2. Are there any Comm issues problems with channel listing or order? Where are the repeaters/frequencies? Are there going to be any Airborne repeaters or High Birds flying? If so, what are the frequencies? How are you going to transfer one wing aircraft/aircrew over to the other wing if needed in the air? Is there a common frequency we can use as a default? Maybe CC1.

3. Any other items such as de-conflicting aircraft in the same airspace issues that need to be dealt with? Who gives permission to DF on a beacon? I do not recommend to have practice beacons in use during this type of complex exercise.

4. Can either wing release each other aircraft/aircrews?

5. Can we mix aircrews/aircraft as in a very large real mission you could have this happen.

6. Who has Command/Control of the resources? One wing or are they both responsible for a certain geographical area that is defined in the IAP?

7. Is this joint funded or is each Wing handling their own FM?

8. Who is signing in all the members under their control?

9. Any other details that have to be worked out in advanced.

10. Mission #'s the same? Or do they have different mission #'s? Get with NOC to set this up if we want the same mission # and both ICP can see both sorties lists.

11. Are there any common Skype or Video Conference or Conference Call setup between each ICP? FYI... www.anymeeting.com is free.

12. Is there a common Ops broad and situation map setup so each ICP can see what is going on with the other ICP? www.googledocs.com can help with this or the Video Conference.

Please start this process at least 2 months in advance instead of 2 days.

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