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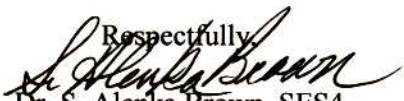
The Human Interoperability Enterprise (HIE) initiative under the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Networks and Information integration / Chief Information Officer (OASD NII/CIO) endorses the Healthy Africa Scenarios Exercises 2008 (HASE 2008) executed through Partners International Foundation's Center for Applied innovation (CAL). The HASE demonstrates the "compatibility" issues of the social network processes between Department of Defense (DoD) and Non-Government Organizations (NGO) providing better insight to the social engineering dynamics of sharing information.

The HASE series starting in 2008, and its follow-on events in subsequent years, have long-range implications that will affect how DoD engages with the intercommunity in trust issues of sharing of information; establishing rapid rapport; creating new social network abilities, methodologies, and/or capabilities, and minimizing gaps/vulnerabilities in break down of communications and acquisition at the operational and tactical levels;

The HASE series will provide important returns to enable HIE to meet its mission challenges per relations between DoD and the intercommunity. These include:

- policy objectives, balancing strategy/doctrine, and aligning operations/procedures for standards in sharing information in command and control systems between human to human/groups/organizations, human to systems and integration of systems.
- identifying gaps
- assessing processes via cognitive-behavioral and cultural aspects
- understanding "strategic communications" between DoD and the intercommunity
- assessments of "risk" to DoD in sharing of information with the intercommunity.
- metrics for evaluating interoperability of human networks.

Since, the HASE has the potential to evolve human interoperability beyond the Health Domain, OSD NII's HIE WG encourages those within the community of interest to engage with the PIF, the CAI, and the HASE community partners and seek to support this effort through resources, funds, and/or endorsements.

Respectfully,

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