OV-1a - High-Level Operational Concept Graphic

The OV-1a provides a graphical view of what the architecture is addressing and an idea of the players and operations involved. Its main use is to aid human communication, and it is intended for presentation to high-level decision-makers.

The OV-1a provides a graphical, scenario-based, description of a mission or class of mission could fulfil a business objective. It shows the main nodes and interesting or unique aspects of operations. It describes the interactions between the subject architecture and its environment (including external systems), in order to convey the right amount of information to stakeholders. Its main utility is to communicate the purpose of the architecture to non-technical, high-level decision-makers.

Unlike an OV-2, an OV-1a may show elements of the solution (physical) architecture - in other words, OV-1a is not strictly speaking a logical view.

Usage

The intended usage of the OV-1a includes:

- Puts an operational situation or scenario into context.
- Provides a tool for discussion and presentation; for example, aids industry engagement in an acquisition.
- Provides an overview of more detailed information in published architectures.

Product Description

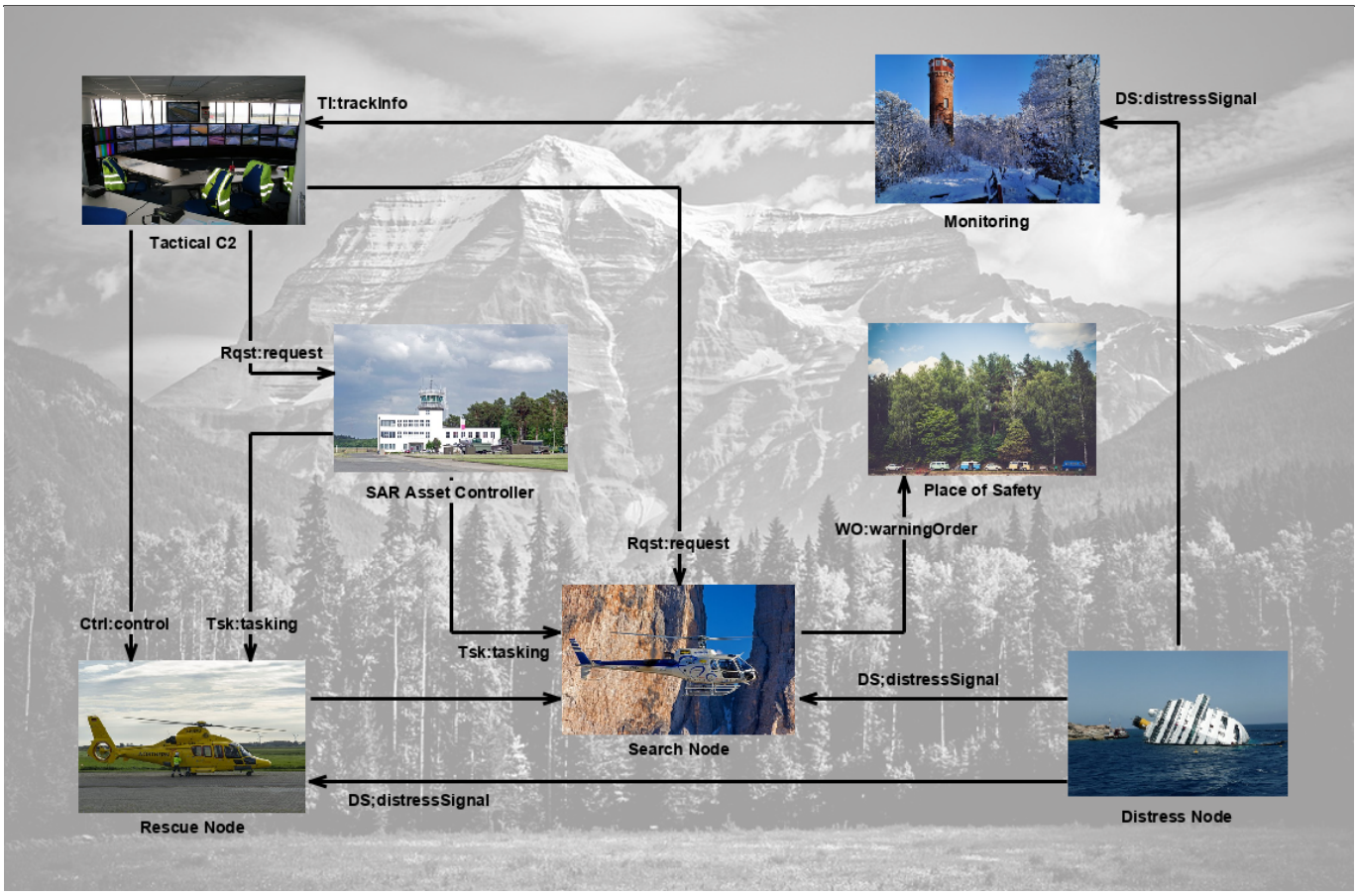
The OV-1a provides a graphical executive summary of the architectural endeavour, which describes the interactions between the subject architecture and its environment, and between the architecture and external systems. A textual description accompanying the graphic is essential, with labels on the graphic and a detailed description in the OV-1b. Graphics alone are not sufficient for capturing the necessary architecture data.

The purpose of OV-1a is to provide a quick, high-level description of the business objective that the architecture is addressing, and how that objective might be achieved. An OV-1a can be used to orient and focus on detailed discussions. Its main utility is to communicate the purpose of the architecture to non-technical, high-level decision-makers.

Creating a High-Level Operational Concept Graphic

To create a High-Level Operational Concept Graphic:

1. Click on **High-Level Operational Concept Graphic** in the Action Artifact area, and then select **Create New Diagram**.
2. Type the diagram name and press **Enter**.
3. A blank diagram is created and you can start constructing the view. You can use Image shape to represent concepts and connect them with Generic Connectors.



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