

## Preface

This field manual (FM) sets forth techniques and procedures for implementing United States (U.S.) Army psychological operations (PSYOP) doctrine contained in FM 33-1. It provides general guidance for commanders and planners who must consider the psychological impact of military operations on various target audiences. It also provides guidance for PSYOP personnel preparing operational elements for commitment. It describes procedures for carrying out PSYOP programs in support of other military operations. PSYOP commanders and trainers at all levels should use it with the Army Training and Evaluation Program (ARTEP) to plan and conduct their training.

It integrates PSYOP into the Army's battlefield operating systems (BOS) and is intended for ArmyWide dissemination. Its organization generally follows the sequence of the product development process from planning through impact assessment.

This manual is a guideline, not a regulation. As such, the techniques and procedures it presents should not limit the user, as long as he follows Army doctrine, national policy, and the commander's intent.

In this manual, the word "opponent" applies to groups or individuals who are engaged in conflict-military, political, or otherwise-with the United States, whether or not war has been formally declared.

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The provisions of this publication are the subject of the international agreements listed in the references.

Many terms, acronyms, and abbreviations are found in the manual. Users should refer to the glossary for their meanings or definitions.

Unless this publication states otherwise, masculine nouns and pronouns do not refer exclusively to men.