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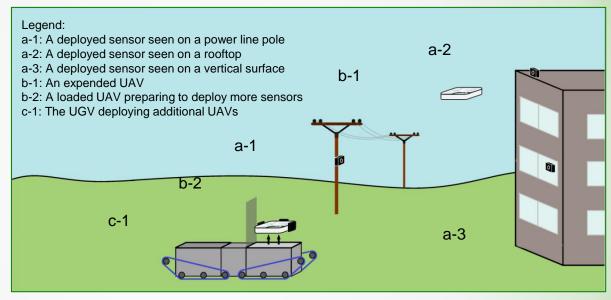
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Concepts of Operations. The Razorback and P.I.G.S. supports the AFRL's requirement to be strategically responsive across the Range of Military Operations (ROMO) to include: Homeland Security, Special Operations, Stability and Support Operations, and Small Scale Contingencies. The system enhances the AFRL's ability to support the warfighter by enhancing situational awareness prior to forced entry operations (hostage rescue, High Value Target takedown, ect.) The system provides enhanced safety and situational awareness by conducting Battle Damage Assessment (BDA) of damaged infrastructure while additionally placing sensors for remote observation. The system provides the means to improve Situational Awareness (SA) capabilities by establishing remote sensor locations monitoring critical infrastructure and/or other locations. The High Level Operational Concept graphic, OV-1, which is in Figure 1 below, depicts the system's mission environment. OV-1 provides a description of the interactions between the system and its operational environment and highlights the importance and complexity of interoperability for successful employment.



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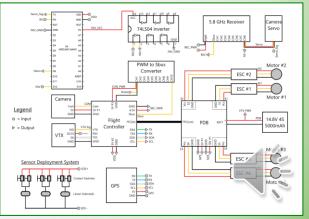
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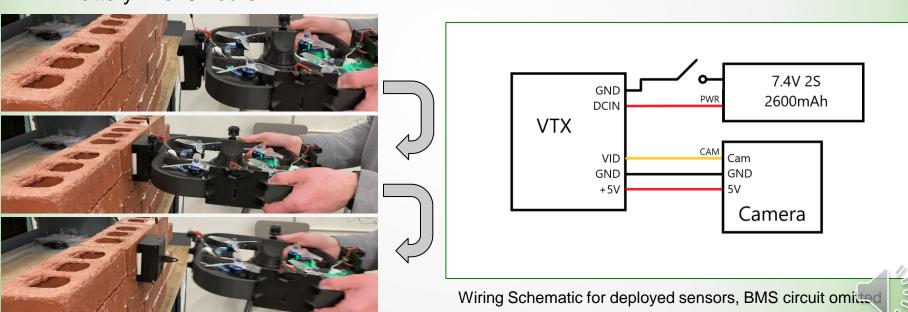


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