



Cultural Sensemaking Guide - Afghanistan



The Combating Terrorism Technical Support Office/ Human Social Cultural Behavior Modeling Program has released the **Cultural Sensemaking Guide to Afghanistan (CSG-A)** for use by military forces operating in Afghanistan.

What Happens After the 3rd Cup of Tea? A Cultural Sensemaking Guide to Afghanistan is a training booklet that supports the promotion of cultural sensemaking and critical thinking skills. The booklet contains seven vignettes describing actual intercultural interactions that have taken place within operational contexts in Afghanistan, providing both a typical American and Afghan perspective on the situation (i.e. it describes the concerns and motivations driving thinking and decision-making within the situation for both sides). The booklet is intended for self-paced reading by small unit leaders from the Marine Corps, Army, Air Force or Navy, but can also be used to support curriculum development by instructors who deliver Afghanistan-focused cultural training/education. It is printed on 80lbs paper, spiral bound, and suitable for operational use.

The CSG-A is a restricted document available only to military organizations. Contractors providing services and training to military units may also procure the CSG-A with the sponsorship of their contracting agency. The CSG-A is available from the Government Printing Office (GPO); however, all orders must first be confirmed by the Combating Terrorism Technical Support Office (CTTSO) prior to being sent to the Government Printing Office (GPO). The cost is \$89.00 U.S for a package of 5.

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