

ALSC to JSS – Defining the Requirement

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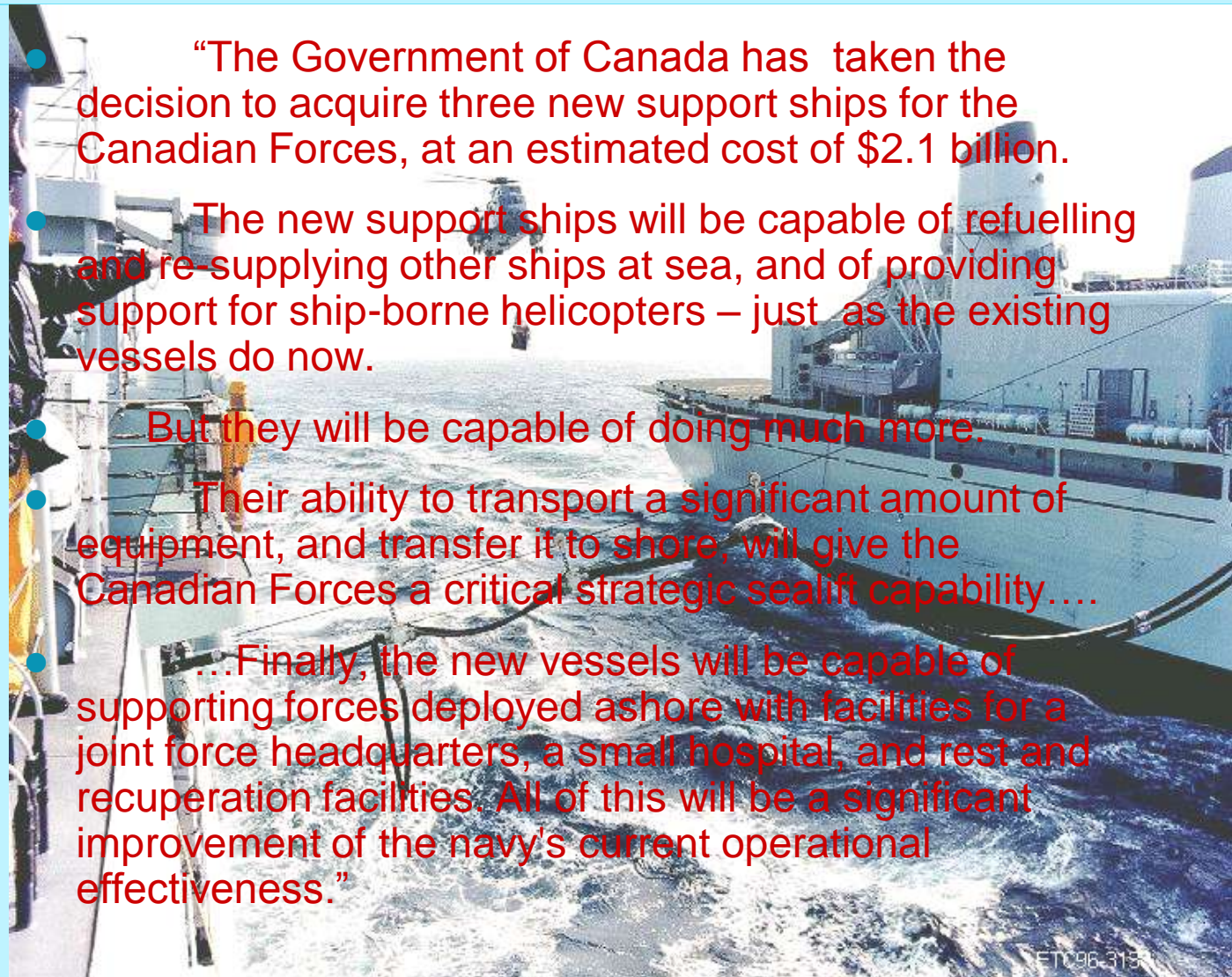


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- “The Government of Canada has taken the decision to acquire three new support ships for the Canadian Forces, at an estimated cost of \$2.1 billion.
- The new support ships will be capable of refuelling and re-supplying other ships at sea, and of providing support for ship-borne helicopters – just as the existing vessels do now.
- But they will be capable of doing much more.
- Their ability to transport a significant amount of equipment, and transfer it to shore, will give the Canadian Forces a critical strategic sealift capability....
- ...Finally, the new vessels will be capable of supporting forces deployed ashore with facilities for a joint force headquarters, a small hospital, and rest and recuperation facilities. All of this will be a significant improvement of the navy's current operational effectiveness.”

Afloat Logistics and Sealift Capability (ALSC)

- Intended capabilities:
 - Replenishment at Sea for CF/NATO/Allied warships
 - Support to Task Group Vessels (maintenance, medical)
 - Sealift of CF equipment
 - Joint Forces Headquarters
 - In-theatre medical facilities
 - R&R for forces ashore
 - Disaster relief

ALSC Options

- Newbuild, multi-role vessels (no existing model design)
- Mixed fleet:
 - AOR(+)
 - New design
 - Existing design
 - Sealift (+)
 - Newbuild
 - Conversion
 - Charter



Option Analysis – Ship Level

BMT Fleet Technology Ltd has been assisting PMO ALSC/JSS with this process since 1998:

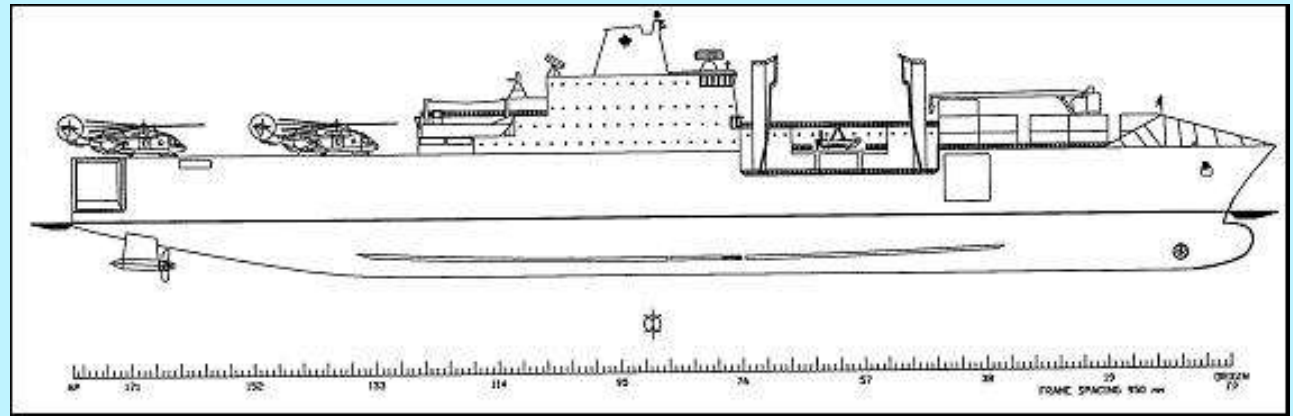
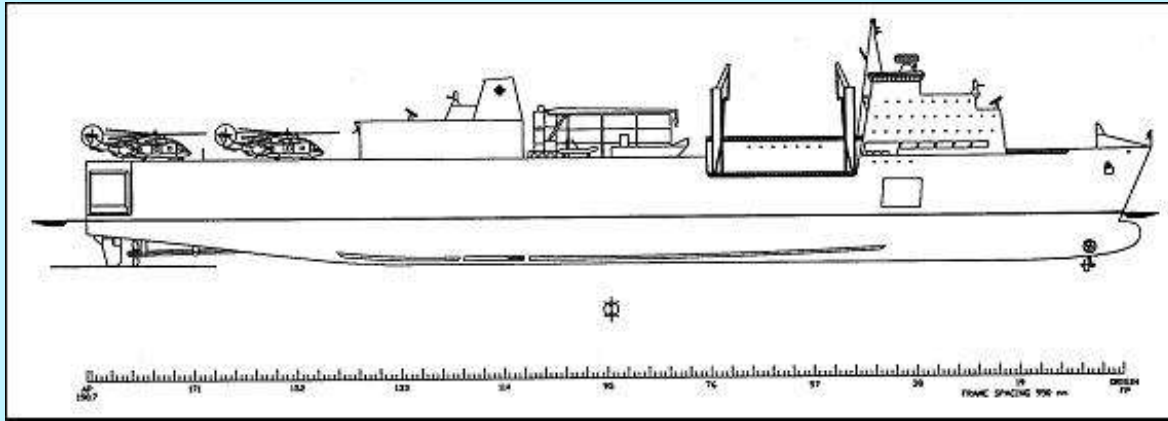
- Option Study
 - Fleet mix
 - ‘High end’ multi-role ship
 - ‘Low end’ multi-role ship
- ELMS Contract
 - Sealift evaluations
 - AOR designs
 - JSS (multi-role options)

Option Analysis – Ship Level (cont)

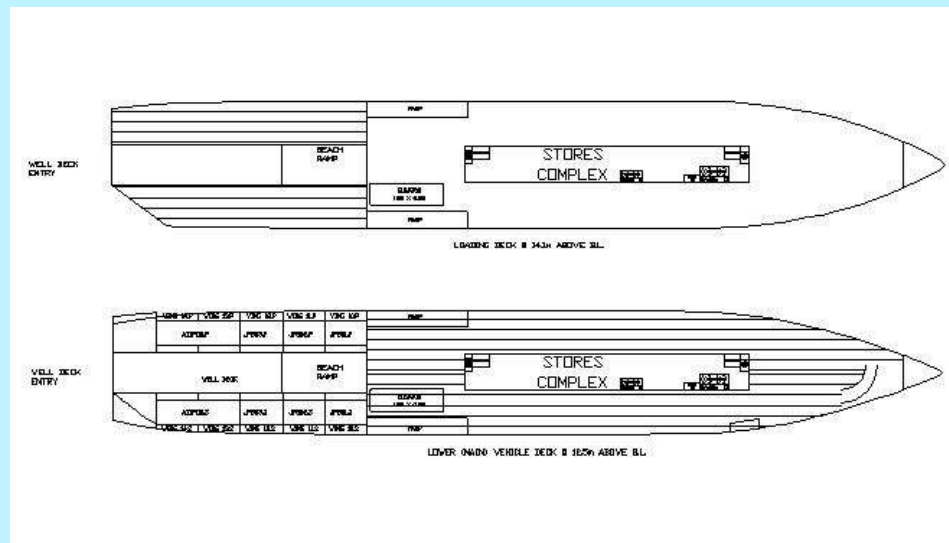
- Ship level studies require generation of concept designs
- Objective is not optimization, but requirement validation

"The requirement is to the design as the chicken is to the egg." (Sir Rowland Baker, RCNC)

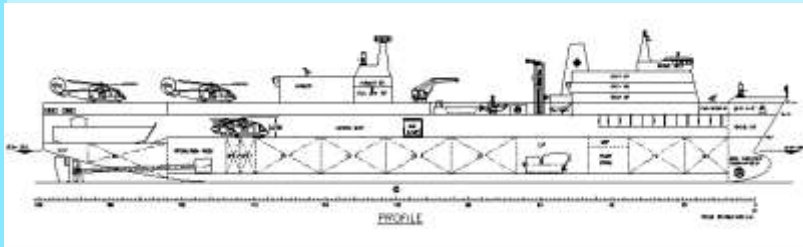
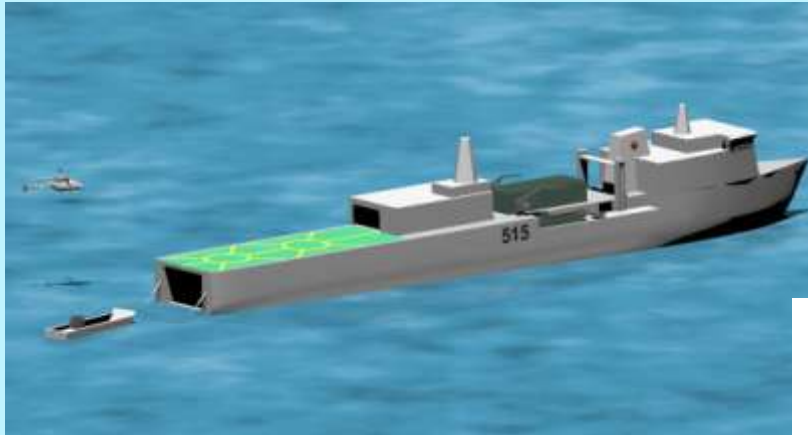
Multi-Role Options



Multi-Role Options (2)



Multi-Role Options (3)



CASE NO.	OPTION SPECIFIC CATEGORIES			
PROPULSION	Pods	Shafts	Bow Thruster	Speed 85% MCR
Prop 1	2		Azimuth	21
Prop 2	2		Azimuth	18
Prop 3		2	Tunnel	21
Prop 4	-	1	Azimuth	18
RAS	5 Tonne Dual RAS	2 Tonne Dual RAS	Liquid RAS	Crane RAS
RAS 1	4	-	-	-
RAS 2	2	-	2	-
RAS 3	-	4	-	-
RAS 4	2	-	-	1
Aviation	Hangar Capacity	Flight Deck	Army Fly-Off	
Av 1	4	2	Yes	
Av 2	3	2	No	
Av 3	3	1	No	
Accommodation	Permanent	Temporary	R&R	Over Tanks
Accm 1	Full	Full	Austere	No
Accm 2	Full	Reduced	Austere	Yes
Accm 3	Full	Austere	Austere	Yes
Vehicle Decks	No. of Decks	Full Length		
Veh 1	2	No		
Veh 2	1	Yes		

Multi-Role Options (4)

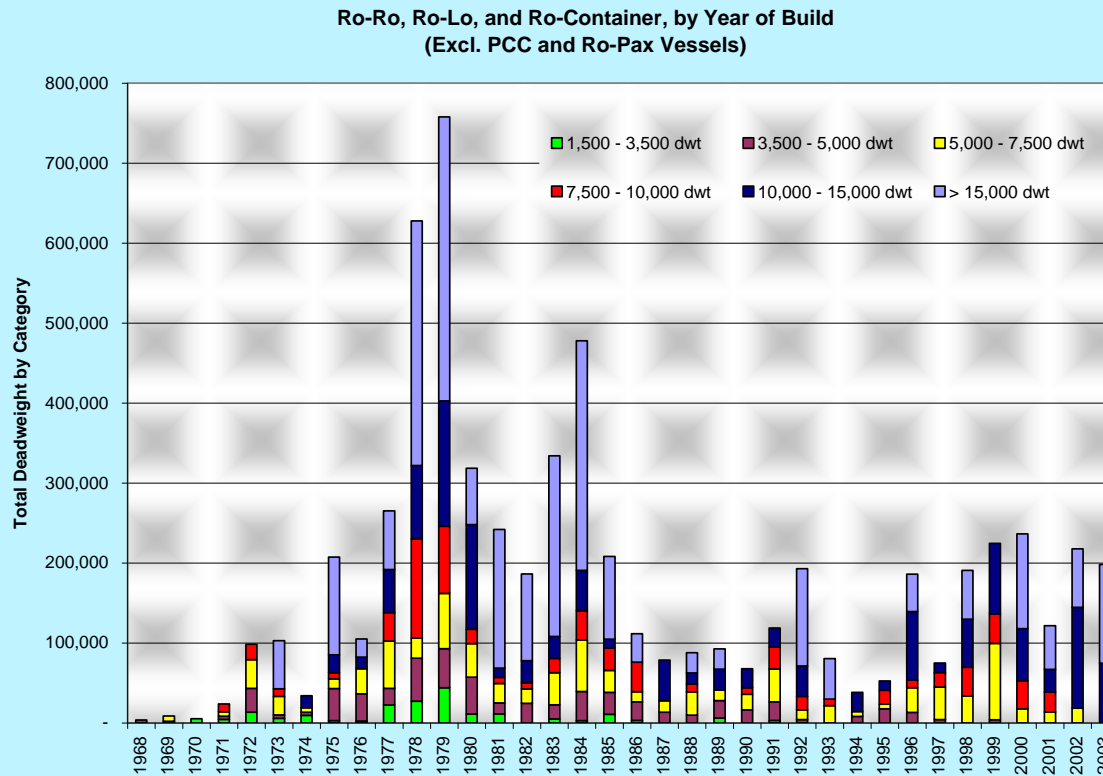


Single Role Options

- Existing AOR designs have shortfalls for Canadian requirements:
 - Age;
 - Size;
 - Speed;
 - C4I
- Sealift then requires continuing attention

Charter Availability

Much of the world's Ro-Ro fleet is elderly, and most new tonnage is not available or suitable for CF charter



Option Analysis – System Level

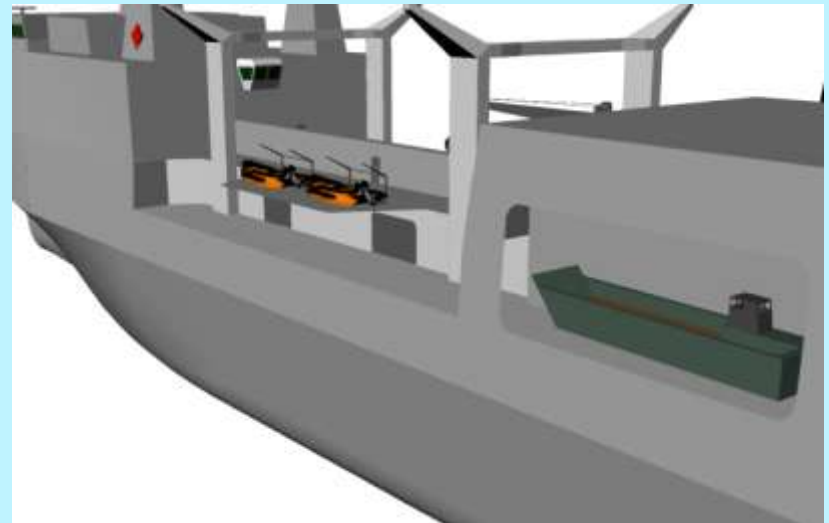
- Ship level studies highlight issues that require system level exploration in order to identify approaches that are:
 - Balanced;
 - Feasible;
 - Cost-effective (whole life).

System level studies

- Rules and standards (commercial, naval, national, class)
- Stability requirements
- RAS capabilities (storage, transfer)
- Environmental protection
- Helicopter facilities and operations
- Medical facilities
- Self-defence
- Manoeuvrability and station-keeping

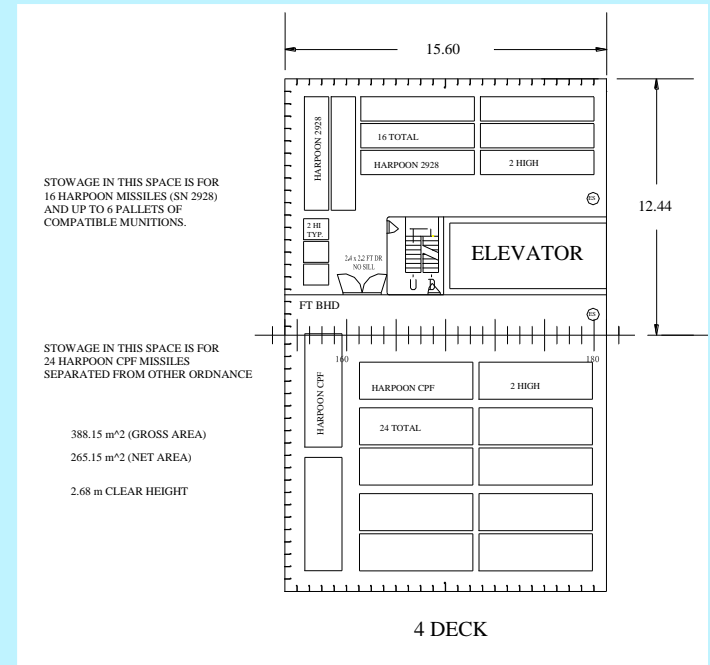
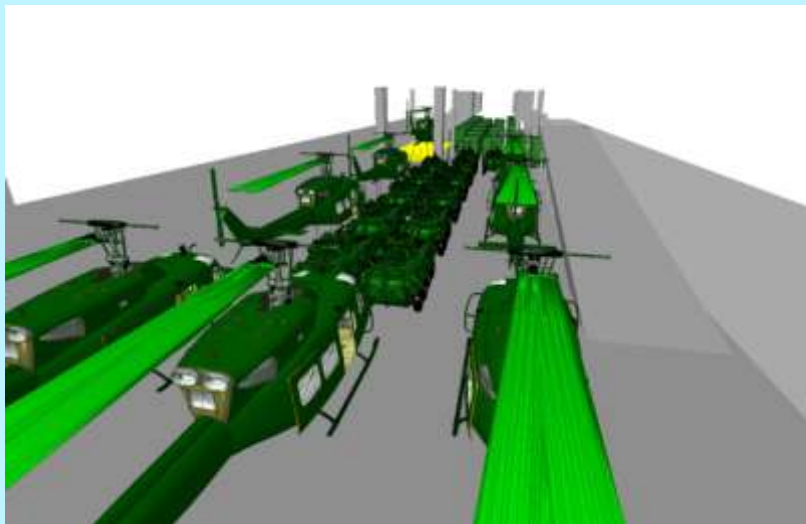
Heavy RAS

- Requires large landing areas for containers (Quadcons, weapons containers)
- RAS equipment can handle the loads, receiving ships have issues



Cargo stowage and handling

- Examples:
 - munition stowage with full containerization, traditional deep magazines, hybrid solutions
 - Sealift deck layouts for various manifests



Trade-offs

- Ensure design achieves balance addressing frequency and criticality of missions, functions
- Set cost-effective levels of performance
- Examine life-cycle issues, including margins

Next Steps (technical)

- 'Finalization' of Systems Requirements
 - Further studies, trade-offs
 - Specification of requirements in performance terms, where possible
 - industry comment
- Objective is to ensure issues are addressed early and openly