File 20100628.1450: Notes from L-code meeting this afternoon:

Beta 2 starts officially next week. Installation in the two labs for government regression testing on the latest build is done. The current build (number?) is the one that will be certified, containing all approved CRs resulting from Beta 1 findings. There might be one new issue that could cause a new build: it is being tested now. STRATCOM starts in two weeks, at the end of two weeks of government regression testing. The developer relates that many of the findings out of Beta 1 were political in nature, but the developer was able to work out the concerns of the testers. Charleston testers have a much different personality than those at Ft Meade—the Ft Meade testers were much nicer. Charleston raises a fuss every time they find the slightest deviation; for example, some system administration tools that were left on the test machine for the purpose of facilitating reconfiguring network settings during testing. It was done that way on purpose for the convenience of the testers, but the testers in Charleston declared that they would write up every one of the executables as a finding anyway (by the book). In response, the developer's Test Director made sure to lock down the Charleston machines especially well the next time, just to make the Charleston testers' life difficult. They got precisely what they demanded: their life made difficult.

Emily at NSA says that RM is the only CDS that meets all of their deadlines. If the RM developer says they will deliver something by a certain date, they do. None of the other guards does.

References