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Transforming Precision Strike

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Our Theme…

Balancing Precision Strike for the Joint Force Commander across Asymmetric Battlefields

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The Asymmetric Battlefield

- By definition, it is difficult to characterize this fight
- We can predict some of its attributes
  - Fleeting and mobile targets
  - Difficult combat ID: red, blue and gray
  - Specific, strategic high-value “targets”
    - National Command Authority participation?
  - Wide range of terrain
  - Low collateral damage tolerance
  - Anti-access scenarios: political, geographic, and forces
  - Time-sensitive effects
  - Low and high technology: IED’s to cruise missiles
  - Unpredictable time, place or tempo

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Balancing…

- Are we out of balance?
- The asymmetric threat demands we continuously assess
- Within precision strike, balancing:
  - Kinetic versus non-kinetic
  - Cost versus capability
  - Long range versus short range
  - Joint versus service
  - Weapons versus systems to facilitate weapons and effect
  - Persistence versus responsiveness

Technology **has changed, and continues to change, the definition of** ***precision***

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Getting to the EFFECT

- National Military Strategy and the Joint Force Commanders set objective
- Precision strike was laser guided bombs and JDAM
  - Now it encompasses a wide range of technologies
- Given the asymmetric battlefield, determine the effect required
  - Integrated Capabilities Review and Risk Assessment (I-CRRA)
- USAF CONOPS lead us through the effects to the capability
  - Global Strike
  - Global Precision Attack
  - Global Mobility
  - Homeland Security
  - Space and C4ISR
  - Nuclear Response

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Drives us to…

- **Effects-based planning (not necessarily destruction)**
  …Swiftly defeat the enemy, survive, and get ready to do it again
- **Platforms and systems to deliver the effect**
  - **survivable, integrated, global, persistent**
- **Combat Identification—instantaneous and infallible**
- **Seamless machine-to-machine—data, communications, decision**
  - **Remove man from the loop where possible**
- **Kinetic and non-kinetic precision**
- **And systems to facilitate:**
  - **Networks and datalinks, data fusion and decision aids, sensors and seekers**

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Technology needs

- **Networked warfare:**
  - **Data links—bandwidth and speed**
  - **Integrated inputs and tailored outputs, automated activity**
  - **Automated decision making**
  - **Combat identification—operator and weapon**
- **Kinetic solutions**
  - **Weapons of Mass Destruction—protection from Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear Explosive (CBRNE)**
  - **All-weather, self-track and guide, moving targets, self-BDA**
- **Non-kinetic solutions—still "precise"**
  - **Directed Energy**
  - **Information Operations**

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Effects…in progress

- **Strike inside enemies decision cycle, anywhere in the world**
  - **Link 16**
  - **Advanced Tactical Targeting Technology (AT3) and Tactical Targeting Network Technology (TTNT)**
  - **Weapons data link**

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Effects…in progress

- **Deny sanctuary to the enemy, Deny C4ISR**
  - **Blue force tracker**
  - **E-10A**
  - **Information Operations**

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Effects…in progress

- **Neutralize mobile targets**
  - **Small Diameter Bomb Increment II**
  - **AESA Radars**
  - **JSTARS**

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Effects…in progress

- **Penetrate and defeat next generation anti-access systems**
  - **F/A-22, JSF, J-UCAS**
  - **Self-defense countermeasures**
  - **Airborne Electronic Attack**
  - **Advanced HARM, AIM-120D**

The Way Ahead…
Transformation In Progress

GLOBAL PRECISON STRIKE

FROM…	TO…
▪ SMART BOMB/GUIDED BULLETs	▪ ALL WEATHER, DAY OR NIGHT, STAND-OFF
▪ 90% Pk BY 1 AIRCRAFT STANDING OFF	▪ LONG RANGE STRIKE—GLOBAL REACH
▪ E-10A—PERSISTENCE AND PRECISION	▪ SHOOTERS AS SENSORS, SENSORS AS SHOOTERS
▪ KINETIC ENERGY (LONG RANGE)	▪ DIRECTED ENERGY
▪ EVERY BOMB A UAV	▪ SERVICE 20-30 TARGETS/SORTIE
▪ INTEGRATED WEAPONS SYSTEMS	▪ AUTONOMOUS EXECUTION -CONUS BASED

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THANKS!

- **For the Precision Strike Association**

  Thank you for your professionalism

  …your commitment

  ….and your focus on this subject

- **My pledge…**

  Lets work this hard together!


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