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Designing the Integrated Joint Force: The Land Force Perspective

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Building the *Joint Force by Design*

“ This is the start of a conversation with the Army in which we develop an understanding of our role in a rapidly developing joint system. “Joint” is a term that has meant many things over the years, but I think you will have heard evidence of the need and the opportunity to create a *joint force by design* in which land, sea, and air capabilities compliment each other...

“We have much to do to grow and then operate these new capabilities, but I can assure you we are excited by the challenge and are delighted by the collaboration that is occurring...”

MAJGEN Gus McLachlan, HMSP-A

Williams Foundation Seminar - 10 August 2016



Mastering Joint Operations

“The Army and more broadly the ADF needs to be able to influence and shape effects from and across multiple domains, as other protagonists will seek to do against us. This is why mastering ‘joint operations’ is even more important and much harder than ever before. We need to generate, coordinate and anticipate multiple cross-domain actions and reactions. No one service or domain can or will have a monopoly on success”

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Sustained Close Combat

“Notwithstanding the proliferation of technology and the associated emergence of new domains, war without submission requires decision on land, where people live. The need for Orwellian ‘rough men’ (and women) is not going away anytime soon. War as a contest of wills, settled by close combat, is the enduring responsibility of the Army. However, the context in which that contest takes place has and continues to change.”



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Future Land Forces must...

- Be ready to ***fight and win in complex terrain***
- Possess the ability to form ***robust, lethal and networked*** combined arms teams
- Provide responsive, agile and networked force options – ***fully integrated*** with the joint force, and ***effectively interoperable*** with our allies and partners
- Harness the potential of ***emerging disruptive technologies***
- Be capable of delivering ***potent cross-domain effects***
- Be ready to fight and win the ***'battle of signatures'***
- Prepared for the ***weaponisation of Information and Influence***
- Optimised for challenges in the ***littorals***
- Must seek every opportunity to hone the ***cognitive edge*** of our people



Designers cannot afford to...

- Underestimate war's continuities
- Ignore war's irreducible complexity
- Place excessive faith in unproven technologies
- Believe 'lightening bolts' in PowerPoint equal assured connectivity in war...

- Forget that young men and women will one day be stuck with our conclusions



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Discussion

