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Technology Transforming the Battlespace

- Increased rate of investment in military R&D from near-peers
- Easy proliferation of knowledge and technology has eroded US historic advantages
 - Increasing systems capabilities
 - Advanced production capabilities
 - Driving lower costs
 - Decreasing the "time to market"
- Speed and cycle time
- Increasingly Competitive National Security Technical Environment



China is the world's second largest investor in R&D with a forecast spending of \$396.3 billion for 2016



Threats Exist Across All Domains

- Adversaries are moving to next generation capabilities across all domains: Air, Land, Maritime, Space, & Cyber
- Advanced materials, ranges, speed, and lethality seen across Russian and Chinese platforms – approaching/at parity
- Increased ability to project power
 - We are <u>now</u> on-par or outranged by Russian and Chinese rocket and artillery capabilities
- China and Russia can hold <u>U.S. and allied positions at risk</u>
 - 10 years ago, China only had the ability to strike Taiwan







Comparing U.S. Army Systems with Foreign Counterparts: Identifying Possible Capability Gaps and Insights from Other Armies, RAND, 2015 – For Illustrative Purposes Only

What we are doing about it...

Secretary of Defense Focus Areas

- Strengthen military readiness by increasing *lethality* of the force
- Strengthen our *alliances* and collaborate with allies whenever and wherever possible
- *Reform* the Department of Defense through budget discipline and increased accountability









"When it comes to security, no one goes their own way in this world alone. Security is always best when provided by a team." – Secretary Mattis, Munich Security Conference, February 2017

ASD Research & Engineering (R&E) Mission

The United States depends on science, technology and innovative engineering to not only protect the American people but to advance our national interests and to prepare us to meet the challenges of an uncertain future.

- ASD(R&E) Mission

Mitigate current and anticipated threat capabilities.

Affordably enable new capabilities in existing and future systems.

Create technology surprise through science and engineering.

Pursuing Sustained Technological Advantage

Previous "Offset" Strategies

"First Offset Strategy" – 1950s **Nuclear deterrence to avoid a large increase in defense expenditures** to conventionally deter Warsaw Pact forces during the 1950s.



"Second Offset Strategy" – 1970s Development of precision-guided munitions to deter both conventional and unconventional aggression from Soviet Forces.



Capabilities from the 2nd offset strategy continue to enable U.S. technological superiority today.

Technology Offset Approach

Seeks to deny adversary objectives, and strengthen conventional deterrence by:

- Leveraging autonomy and artificial intelligence
 - Get inside an adversary's decision cycle
- Greatly expanding manned-unmanned combat
 - Extend our attack surface
- Re-amplifying our guided-munitions advantage
 - With 'raid-breaking' capabilities
- Creating new mass
 - Disaggregating complex systems to deliver combined effects
- Developing 'inside-out' and 'over-under' capabilities
 - Leverage dispersal, sanctuaries, and speed
- Developing new forms of distributed maneuver
- Combining kinetic, Electronic Warfare, cyber



How does S&T Contribute?

What is "Science & Technology"

Basic Research (6.1):

 Investigation and analysis of basic laws of nature and phenomenon to increase scientific knowledge

Applied Research (6.2):

 Application of knowledge to develop useful materials, devices and systems or methods

Advanced Technology Development (6.3):

 Development of components and subsystems to integrate into system prototypes for field experiments and/or tests in a simulated environment



From Basic Research to Multiple Applications



U.S. DoD PB 2018 S&T Request

Technology Development Budget



***NOTES:**

4th Estate includes Chem Bio, DTRA, OSD, and other DA.





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Leveraging the Entire R&E Ecosystem

Engaging with all partners to ensure technological superiority...



Win today's fight

Global Partners

Academia & Industry Partners



Design and acquire for the next fight

Federally Funded R&D Centers (FFRDCs) & University Affiliated Research Centers (UARCs)

> DoD Labs, Engineering & Warfare Centers



Force acceleration of science and engineering – driving ideas to capability



provide expertise and insight to enhance our warfighter's capability .

DoD Research and Engineering World Class Capabilities



U.S. Communities of Interest

Cols lead the innovation and the acceleration of advanced concepts and prototypes across three main focus areas:



Alumni Cols: Engineered Resilient Systems

*ASBREM: Armed Services Biomedical Research Evaluation and Management

Looking Forward...

Continuously Refine our Strategic Thinking and Planning



Refine our Mission, Strategic Plan, and Vision

for <u>Technical</u> and <u>Enterprise</u> Priorities

- Continuous look at the <u>Technology</u>, <u>Focus Areas</u>, <u>Cols</u>, and <u>Partnering</u>

Are we addressing the right problems?

Long-Range Research & Development Planning Program (LRRDPP)

- <u>Purpose</u>: Identify high-payoff enabling technology investments to provide U.S. forces with decisive advantage in the operations in the 2030 timeframe
- An opportunity to:
 - Shape key future U.S. materiel investments
 - Ensure sustained U.S. technology superiority, and
 - Seize the initiative in shaping a competitive future national security environment
- Focused on identifying critical technologies that can drive materiel concepts with potential to contribute to a technology offset strategy
- Unconstrained by current U.S. materiel inventory, plans, or investments
- Will be re-accomplished every four years to inform Defense Strategic Review

Bottom Line: Study and prioritize new or unconventional technology that could provide significant U.S. national security advantages



Research and Development — On-going Activities—

- Autonomy & Robotics
- Artificial Intelligence / Man-Machine Interface
- Micro-electronics
- Hypersonics
- Directed Energy
- Manufacturing
- Electronic Warfare
- Cyber

- Future of Computing
- Novel Engineered Materials
- Precision Sensing: Time, Space, Gravity, Electromagnetism
- Emerging Biosciences
 - Synthetic Biology
- Understanding Human and Social Behavior
- Human Performance



Enhancing Capabilities





Systems Are Changing

From:

- Systems built to last
- Heuristic-based decisions
- Deeply integrated architectures
- Hierarchical development
 organizations
- Satisfying requirements
- Automated systems
- Static certification
- Standalone systems

To:

- Systems built to evolve
- Data-driven decisions
- Layered, modular architectures
- Ecosystems of partners, agile teams of teams
- Constant experimentation and innovation
- Learning systems
- Dynamic, continuous certification
- Composable sets of mission focused systems

Systems Engineering Needs to Change

Credit: Derived from David Long, Former INCOSE President

Competition for Talent

- Need to continue to attract the best and brightest to national security service
- Direct competition for talent





- Eliminate barriers to service
- Increase recognition of unique and relevant technical work and innovative thinking
- Leverage all sources of talent

USD(AT&L) Reorganization...

2017 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), §901 Organization of the Office of the Secretary of Defense

"Establish policies on, and supervising...":

Undersecretary of Defense (R&E)

- Defense research and engineering
- Technology development
- Technology transition
- Prototyping
- Experimentation
- Developmental testing activities and programs...
- Allocation of resources for defense research and engineering
- Unifying defense research and engineering efforts across the DoD



- Acquisition policy o system design, development, and
 - production
 - services
- Sustainment policy
 - o logistics
 - o maintenance
 - o materiel readiness

- Defense industrial base policy
- Materials critical to national security
- o procurement of goods and Contract administration policy
 - Modernization of nuclear forces
 - Development of counter-WMD capabilities



USD(R&E) Proposed Organization



USD(R&E) – Guiding Principles

Imperatives

- 1. Technical Superiority
- 2. Affordability
- 3. Accelerate Capability to the Warfighter
- Provide Major Tech Investment Shaping & Strategic Direction
- Focus on Joint, Cross-Cutting Missions
- Tightly Couple with Warfighter

USD(R&E) Key Concepts

- Integrate Intelligence & Analysis to Inform Decisions
- Incentivize/Prove New Tech Solutions
- Mandate Technology Insertion Opportunities / Institutionalize MOSA
- Implement Cyber Resilience & Cross-Cutting Enablers
- Inform S&T & Prototyping Development with Sustainability/ Manufacturability
- Inform Requirements, Vice Waiting for JCIDS
- Identify New Pathways to Acquisition
- Ensure Transparency & Inclusion

Maintaining Technology Superiority

- The U.S. military has long relied on *high quality people*, *technological superiority*, *innovative operational* and *organizational constructs*, and our *unmatched ability to fight* as a *Joint Force*
- We are addressing the erosion of technological superiority by identifying and investing in *innovative technologies and processes*
- We are pushing the envelope with *innovative* and *cutting edge research*
- Beyond technical innovation, we are pursuing *new practices* and *organizational structures* to ensure future U.S. technical dominance
- From basic research to advanced capabilities, the DoD R&E enterprise provides the technological foundations that ensures our military of the future remains the most capable in the world

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