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## **Global Strike Technology Strategy**

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### DTRA's mission is to reduce the threat of Weapons of Mass Destruction



### Nuclear Weapons

devastating in use



### Biological Weapons

...use available technology and are potentially catastrophic



### Chemical Weapons



### DTRA uses a comprehensive set of tools to reduce the threat of Weapons of Mass Destruction

Arms Control:

Fulfilling treaty obligations and countering proliferation

**Threat Reduction:** 

Dismantling the former Soviet nuclear arsenal in place and eliminating Iraqi weapons of mass destruction

**Technology Development:** 

Developing, testing and fielding offensive and defensive technologies

**Chemical and Biological Defense:** Assuring operations in hostile environments

Combat Support:

Assessing vulnerabilities, assuring the nuclear deterrent

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# The new Global Strike mission requires an end-to-end technology development strategy



From intelligence preparation and planning...



to weapons employment ...



to combat assessment.



### Global Strike is built on six tenets:

- Rapid execution -- goal is hours
- Relatively short duration -- not extended theater operations
- Long-range -- within and across combatant commanders' boundaries
- Integrates conventional with nuclear, information operations and other types of attacks
- In support of regional combatant commanders or as directed by the President or Secretary of Defense
- Effects-based targeting, analysis, planning, and execution to attack high-payoff / high value targets



### Global Strike is focused on high payoff/high value targets





Leadership



Terrorists

**Command and Control** 



Weapons of Mass Destruction



### These targets span the entire range of protection factors



# Global Strike targets encompass all terrains and environments





### The Global Strike technology strategy should yield an integrated family of systems



Accurate intelligence forms the foundation

### Approach

- Enhance HUMINT analysis
- Exploit coherent change detection technology
- Integrate functional modeling, reverse engineering
- Integrate all-source information
- Reduce Target Location Error/Uncertainty
- Develop network-level indicators

- C3I Facility NMCC NCA owe Dist Power Production C3I Facility Mil characterization Depot
- Develop "data-mining" capabilities



# Planning tools – provide accurate, integrated, high-fidelity answers

### Approach

- Integrate sensor data with allsource information
- Standardize databases
- Automate data searches
- Develop physics-based damage expectancy and collateral effects models
- Automate attack selection
- Integrate mission planning tools into C2 architecture
- Match optimum weapon to target





### Weapons and tactics -

we are at the leading edge of a revolution in conventional weapons design

### Approach

- Increase range to target
- Increase speed to target
- Enhance penetrating capabilities
- Tag and track employment of individual weapons
- Develop inexpensive weaponborne sensors
- Tailor warheads for specific effects
- Consider "niche" weapons for high value targets



## Weapons and tactics – vertical attack on portal denies access to hard targets



### Weapons and tactics – massive bombs enhance in-tunnel effects





### Weapons and tactics – "skip-bombing" enhances internal blast effects





"Skip" inside portal

### Weapons and tactics penetration and delayed fuzing can reduce WMD release

One of several identical test structures



center of structureSimulant Expelled - 80%

Weapon detonatedbelow floor of structureSimulant Expelled - 5%



Weapons and tactics –

# destroying the agent greatly reduces the potential for negative consequences





### Weapons and tactics – hard and WMD targets demand high reliability









## Weapons and tactics – high value targets require "niche" capabilities

- Research weapon/target phenomena
- Develop specialized weapons for unique targets
- Deliver limited numbers of specialized weapons
- Train specific units in employment of "niche" weapons
- Ensure planning tools and combat assessment capabilities match weapons



Thermobaric Hellfire – enhanced blast effects in buildings for Military Operations in Urban Terrain (MOUT)



CrashPAD - first gravity weapon specifically designed to kill bio agents



Weapons and tactics – rapid development is key to matching niche weapons to emerging targeting problems

- Leverage existing RDT&E efforts
- Modify or incorporate existing systems
- Exploit modeling and simulation
- Test realistically
- Produce limited numbers

BLU-118 "Thermobaric" bomb for enhanced blast effects in caves



Designed, developed, demonstrated and delivered in 60 days
Employed in Operation Enduring Freedom

### Weapons and tactics – our nuclear forces also support Global Strike

- Nuclear forces can deter and counter asymmetric threats
- Some targets require the energy of a nuclear weapon for their destruction
- Nuclear weapons can overcome target location uncertainty
- Rapid delivery systems are mature
- Nuclear weapons can functionally defeat super-hard targets





## Combat assessment must be prompt and reliable

## Approach

- Demonstrate new phenomenology/indicators
- Develop or modify sensors for WMD capability
- Incorporate weapon-borne sensors and taggants
- Integrate assessment info back into planning tools for re-attack
- Develop network-level functional effects models
- Integrate combat assessment capabilities into C2 architecture





### High fidelity test beds facilitate end-to-end integration of Global Strike technologies



### Global Strike presents unique challenges that demand unique and innovative technological approaches

### Challenges

- Rapid execution
- Short duration
- Long-range
- All types of attacks
- Effects-based
- High-payoff targets
- All environments

### Requirements

- Accurate intelligence
- Fast planning tools
- Appropriate weapons
- Prompt BDA

### Approaches

- Data integration
- Innovative tactics, training and procedures (TTP)
- Rapid development
- Niche weapons
- Systems integration





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### **Providing technology solutions for Global Strike**