

2015 Army Posture Statement

This presentation is UNCLASSIFIED



- Familiarize the audience with the annual Army Posture Statement (APS)
- Discuss key themes addressed in the 2015 APS

ARMY POSTURE STATEMENT









- Purpose of the APS
- Development Process
- Goals
- Key Themes





The primary purpose of the Army Posture Statement (APS) is to inform Congress and gain Congressional support for the resources required by the Army as submitted in the President's Budget (PB), as well as necessary legislative authorities. The requirement to report to Congress is written in federal law.

Secondary audiences for the APS include internal Army, military/veterans service organizations, think tanks, defense industry, and the American public.



- Receive initial senior leader guidance, issue planning directive and establish the APS working group.
- Brief and solicit input from principal officials of the Army Secretariat and Army Staff.
- Develop themes and messages and collect photos of Soldiers, Civilians and Families.
- Staff two drafts (initial coordinating and final) with the Army Secretariat and Army Staff.
- Provide final draft to the Secretary of the Army and Chief of Staff of the Army for review, comment and approval.
- Publish the APS online.



Goals

- Serve as a <u>concise document</u> that is the Secretary of the Army's and Chief of Staff of the Army's written testimony for the annual President's Budget Request.
- Direct Congressional attention to areas requiring support and legislative action.
- Describe strategic security environment, the Army's mission, global posture, way ahead, and challenges.
- <u>Support</u> strategy documents, the President's annual budget submission, Joint guidance, and Army priorities.
- Provide a consistent voice for the Army.



Prepared to meet broad, wide-ranging requirements

"Now more than ever, in today's uncertain and dynamic security environment, we must be prepared to meet multiple, wide-ranging requirements across the globe simultaneously while retaining the ability to react to the unknown."





The changing security environment / increasing velocity of instability

Over 140,000 Soldiers in over 150 locations worldwide

"The velocity of instability around the world has increased, and the Army is now operating on multiple continents simultaneously in ways unforeseen a year ago."







Keeping our edge as we downsize



Size and shape the Army for the world in which we live

Today's highly technological, All-Volunteer Force is complex and requires longer generation time

Flexibility to balance structure, modernization, and readiness can mitigate the risk imposed by budget and end strength reductions

Inaccuracy of security projections compels us to rethink drawdown and risk



Army is evolving and modernizing using the Army Operating Concept

The foundation of this concept is our ability to conduct joint combined arms maneuver. It endeavors to build a force operating alongside multiple partners able to create multiple dilemmas for our adversaries, while giving commanders multiple options and synchronizing and integrating effects from multiple domains onto and from land.

Expeditionary Tailorable Scalable Prepared





Impact of sequestration in terms of risk and the need for predictable funding



At force levels driven by affordability under full sequestration, the Army cannot fully implement its role in the defense strategy

Sequestration, budget shortfalls, and long term unpredictability are jeopardizing future readiness and quality of life

Failure to enact increased budget topline and/or necessary compensation and force restructuring will wreak havoc on our formations and families



2015 Army Posture Statement – Key Themes

Ensuring a ready Army... Globally engaged, regionally aligned

Reorganizing, realigning and restructuring forces

Sustainable Readiness Model

Training – individual, institutional, homestation and CTC rotations

Guard and Reserve partnership with Active

Improved deployability and enhanced pre-positioned equipment

Wartime reset and network modernization





Ensuring a modern Army

Address gaps in modernization

Protect Science and Technology

Soldier and squad focused

Mission command

Incremental platform improvements





2015 Army Posture Statement – Key Themes

Organic and Commercial Industrial Base:

"... provides unique capabilities, sustains the capacity for reversibility and meets the manufacturing and repair materiel demands of the Joint Force."





Cyber:

"With the evolving cyber environment, the Army has been proactively adapting to cyber threats and vulnerabilities by transforming processes, organizations and operating practices."

Installations, Water, and Energy:

"...we need another round of Base Realignment and Closures (BRAC). We simply have too much surplus infrastructure and will have even more as we downsize."





2015 Army Posture Statement – Key Themes

Soldiers & Civilians committed to our Army and profession



Army Ethic

Adaptive Leaders

Soldier 2020 and increased opportunities for women

Sexual Harassment /Assault Response and Prevention (SHARP) Program

Maintaining the premier all volunteer Army

Ready and Resilient Campaign

Soldier for Life



Questions

For a copy of the 2015 Army Posture Statement, go to <u>http://www.army.mil/aps/</u>