
**NEW OPERATIONAL CONCEPTS FROM
*JOINT VISION 2010***

Four new operational concepts are described in *Joint Vision 2010*: precision engagement, dominant maneuver, focused logistics, and full-dimensional protection. The following definitions are taken from the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (1996):

Precision engagement consists of a system of systems that enables our forces to locate the objective target, provide responsive command and control, generate the desired effect, assess our level of success, and retain the flexibility to reengage with precision when required. Among others, precision engagement envisions (1) a substantial increase in the use of all-weather, precision-guided stand-off weapons as compared to recent operations and (2) rapid combat assessment and restrike of targets if necessary.

Dominant maneuver is defined as the multidimensional application of information, engagement, and mobility capabilities to position and employ widely dispersed joint air, land, sea, and space forces to accomplish assigned operational tasks. This concept envisions a nonlinear battlefield where, for example, light ground forces, supported by air, sea, and space force, operate across the breadth and depth of the battlefield—a radical departure from traditional linear battlefield operations.

Focused logistics is defined as the fusion of information, logistics, and transportation technologies to provide rapid crisis response, to track and shift assets even while en route, and to deliver tailored logistics

packages and sustainment directly at the strategic, operational, and tactical levels of operations.

Full-dimensional protection is defined as the control of the battle space to ensure that our forces can maintain freedom of action during deployment, maneuver, and engagement while providing multilayered defenses for our forces and facilities at all levels. Current efforts to build an integrated defense-in-depth theater air and missile defense capability constitute an example of a full-dimensional protection component.