



UNITED STATES ARMY  
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MEMORANDUM THRU DIRECTOR OF THE ARMY STAFF

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SUBJECT: Army Training Strategy (ATS)

1. The enclosed ATS replaces the previous version, dated 4 April 2011. The contents of this strategy are significantly different and reflect current guidance from Army senior leaders. It informs the training strategies and detailed training guidance of subordinate commanders, supervisors, leaders, and trainers of all components in Army Commands, Army Service Component Commands, Direct Reporting Units, the Army Staff, and other activities involved in the planning, programming, preparation, and execution of Army training.
2. The ATS describes how the Army, while continuing the fight in Afghanistan and maintaining a range of global engagements, must simultaneously begin transitioning from a decade focused on counterinsurgency (COIN) operations to a smaller, more versatile Army that will take on a broader range of missions in support of national defense objectives.
3. The ATS provides vision and guidance on ends, ways, and means for training and educating Soldiers, leaders, Civilians, and units to support operational adaptability and sustain readiness to conduct unified land operations. This strategy focuses on near-term requirements of execution and budget years (FY 2013-2014) through the mid-range requirements of the Program Objective Memorandum years FY 2015-2019.
4. I request that each of you read and digest the contents of this document. We will measure progress and adjust goals and objectives as necessary using scheduled forums to discuss these important issues.
5. The Army G-3/5/7 point of contact for this action is BG Todd McCaffrey, HQDA G-37 Training Directorate, at commercial: (703) 692-7332, DSN: 222-7332, or email: Todd.B.McCaffrey.mil@mail.mil.

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