

# The Chairman's Agenda

In his initial remarks in *Joint Force Quarterly*, the Chairman set out three priorities for his tenure: winning the global war on terrorism, enhancing joint warfighting capabilities, and transforming the Armed Forces. This JFQ Forum addresses that agenda through contributions which examine each priority from a variety of perspectives and disciplines. In addition, subsequent issues of the journal published during this tenth anniversary year will focus on military transformation in a regular series of feature articles.

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## **THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM**

*The war on terrorism is the most significant mission the military has faced during my years of service. With the assault of September 11 and others over the past several years, the al Qaeda network and other terrorist groups have shown their willingness to attack the United States and its freedoms directly—and those of all civilized nations.*

—From the Chairman, *JFQ*, no. 29 (Autumn/Winter 2001–02)

## **JOINT WARFIGHTING**

*Our joint team is comprised of service capabilities as defined under Title X. One of my responsibilities is advising our senior leadership on how to maximize these capabilities without regard to the service which employs them. To fight as a joint team, we must focus service core competencies in ways that make the whole greater than the sum of its parts.*

—From the Chairman, *JFQ*, no. 31 (Summer 2002)

## **MILITARY TRANSFORMATION**

*Whether transformation comes in incremental steps or radical leaps, it does not occur in a vacuum. As the world changes, so do the threats. The standing requirement to maintain readiness for today's conflicts and potential adversaries must be balanced with modernization investments and the need to accelerate the introduction of transformational changes.*

—From the Chairman, *JFQ*, no. 30 (Spring 2002)