Total Force

A Selected Bibliography

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Since the Department of Defense adopted the Total Force Policy in the early 1970s, the military, especially the Army, has come to place unprecedented reliance on the National Guard and the Reserve. The policy mandated that the active and reserve forces become a single fighting force, a "force in being", able to deploy rapidly and operate side by side whether in training or in combat. The balance between active and reserve components, the mix of units in the two components, the nature of the missions each was given, and the equipment and training needed to assure readiness—have been significant considerations for almost two decades. Recently, as a consequence of Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, the Total Force Policy has undergone its first real test.

To assist researchers in gaining a better understanding of the Total Force Policy and its implementation within the Defense establishment, the United States Army War College Library presents Total Force: A Selected Bibliography. This listing was tailored to include only those references for materials readily available in our library and, with the exception of a few items of historical importance, consists of materials published during the last five years.

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