

“Being Expeditionary”

The marine mindset, actions, and activities must never fail to account for the immutable nature of war – the uncertainty, violence, and chaos - while remaining agile and discerning enough to sense, and make sense of, the ever-changing environment and threats. Also remain most ready, forward deployed, and ready to fight from the sea and land, win against any threat, in any climate and place, at any time.



The Future Force is an Expeditionary Force

- *Immediately deploy – employ – sustain in austere and hostile environments*
- *From the widest array of available ships/aircraft/advanced bases/afloat platforms*
- *Focused on crisis response and deterrence capabilities*
- *Rapidly composite forward*



An Agile Force

- *Disaggregates to maneuver/elude detection and concentrate for advantage*
- *Emphasizes critical thinking*
- *Reduces its signature and conducts effective decoy and deception*
- *Maximizes COTS and drone technologies*
- *Accepts the risks of acting quickly on a “good” plan*



A Lethal Force

- *Combines technological advancements with maneuver*
- *Supports “distributed lethality” and 5D combined arms*
- *Exploits automation and unmanned systems to outcycle adversaries*
- *Raises enemy signatures to identify and attack*



“The Marine Corps will remain an expeditionary force in readiness, forward deployed to deter conflict, assure allies and partners, and respond to crises around the world.”

“As the Nation’s Expeditionary Force in Readiness, we are and will continue to be heavily engaged around the world.”

“The American people will surely continue to expect – and the world will count on – Marines to be the leading edge of humanitarian relief and disaster recovery operations.”

The Marine Corps will keep its sacred promise to be

“Most Ready When the Nations is Least Ready”