Global Combat Support Systems (GCSS)

Proficiency Code: A

The *GCSS* is another multiple branch system made up of Global Command and Control System-Army (GCSS-A), Air Force Global Strike Command (AFGSC), GCSS-J and Global Command and Control System-Marine Corp (GCSS-MC). AFGSC provides the warfighter and supporting elements with timely, accurate, and trusted Agile Combat Support (ACS) information. This information will have the appropriate level of security needed for the Air and Space Expeditionary Forces (AEF) to execute the Air Force mission throughout the full spectrum of military operations.

The AFGSC program modernizes, consolidates, develops, and integrates Air Force and DOD combat support information systems. The modernized systems were developed in compliance with and hosted on the Network Centric Enterprise Systems, replacing the Defense Information Infrastructure (DII) and Common Operating Environment (COE). The modernized systems is implemented and sustained worldwide and supports both wartime and peacetime requirements using hardware, software, and communications capabilities available from standard open systems government contracts and communications infrastructure programs. AFGSC provides many core services throughout the Air Force networks. One of the major services it provides is the Air Force Portal, which provides a single point of reference for services and information for Air Force personnel. In this manner, AFGSC avoids added costs, removes business processing inefficiencies, reduces deployment footprint, and improves the speed with which information flows.