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Deputy Commanding General, Futures / Director, ARCIC Commanding General, TRADOCI.

FOR Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army

SUBJECT: UNIFIED QUEST 2016 (UQ16) Intent Statement

- 1. For DECISION.
- 2. PURPOSE. To gain Chief of Staff of the Army's (CSA) approval for proposed UQ16 intent statement and scheduled events.
- 3. RECOMMENDATION. CSA approve proposed intent statement and scheduled events.

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- 4. BACKGROUND. UQ is the CSA's Title 10 future study plan designed to explore enduring strategic and operational challenges to identify issues and explore solutions critical to current and future force development. UQ assists senior Army leaders in making decisions using a variety of credible and plausible mid- to long-range strategic settings to develop or examine a broad set of ideas about future conflict that will impact the Army. The success of UQ relies on the ability to explore ideas from a resource-informed perspective, but not limited by resource-related constraints that typically drive near-term planning and programming. UQ will inform senior leader F2025M: Army's Campaign of Learning decisions on how best to develop an Army that has the capability and capacity to Win in a Complex World.
- 5. DISCUSSION. Draft CSA Intent.
- a. Purpose: Enable Army leaders to understand, visualize, describe, direct, and assess Future Force (2025-2050) development efforts.
  - b. Key Tasks:
- (1) Understand threats, enemies and adversaries in context of the future operating environment and future missions.
- (2) Refine concepts to maintain a strong foundation for future force development.

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- (3) Evaluate the Future Force under realistic scenarios.
- (4) Identify capability gaps and opportunities to improve Future Force effectiveness.
- (5) Design the Future Force and develop strategies to ensure that Army forces are prepared to accomplish missions while operating as part of joint, interorganizational and multinational teams.
- c. End State: Future Army forces are prepared to conduct operations promptly, in sufficient scale, and for ample duration to deter conflict and win in a complex world.
- 6. Scheduled Events:
  - a. 2-5 November 2015: Future Force Design I Seminar (Theater Army/Corps/Div)
  - b. 25-29 January 2016: Future Force Design II Seminar (Div/BDE)
  - c. 28 March 1 April 2016: STAFFEX
  - d. 5-13 May 2016: Deep Futures Wargame
- 7. NLT February 2016, CSA decision brief on the intent, purpose, scenario choices, and focus areas for the May 2016 Deep Futures Wargame.
- 8. IMPACT without approval: Degraded ability to provide the right type and number of learning venues within the given time constraints to support Force 2025 objectives.
- 9. COORDINATION.

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