

Direct Access Air Force Lessons Learned

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Since 2006, the Air Force Lessons Learned (LL) Directorate under AF/ A9 has worked diligently to explore interest items, publish reports and implementation of lessons learned regarding critical Air Force issues that correlate to designated CSAF vectors. The resulting reports, that consolidate inputs from a wide array of stakeholders ranging from senior

leaders to squadron-level operators, are intended to stimulate consideration and conversation, as well as operational and doctrinal changes, when appropriate.

In this issue of the Air & Space Power Journal, I am proud to introduce the new Air Force Lessons Learned section where readers are able to access highlighted reports, updates and bulletins. The hyperlinks in the LL Corner will lead the reader directly to the referenced article that resides on the Air Force Portal on the Lessons Learned Portal Page. The reports are also located in the Joint Lessons Learned Information System (JLLIS) for deeper tracking. Regardless of how you find the reports, please take a moment to look through our recent, as well as our historic products. I think you will find identified lessons that cover a wide array of subject material communicating across career fields, weapons systems and commands. As such, the reports are rich sources of material for functional expert discussion with peers, during professional development, establishment of new doctrine, as well as checkpoints during operational preparations.

Across the Air Force Enterprise, there is superb Lessons Learned collaboration. The highlighted items below are just a few recent examples of the broader L2 literature derived from CSAF collection vectors and other emerging topics of interest. The team at Headquarters Air Force A9 Lessons Learned is pleased to share them with you.

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AF/A9 Lessons Learned (LL) Corner

IMPACT OF CENTRALIZING USAF FUNCTIONS

An examination of ongoing centralization of Major Command support functions that considers previous efforts, ongoing centralization, and impacts on warrior readiness, operational missions, and more broadly on the quality of life for Airmen and their families.

AGILE COMBAT SUPPORT FORCES OPERATING OUTSIDE-THE-WIRE

As major combat operations in Iraq have ceased, Afghanistan operations decrease and Air Force deployments reduce, this report captures the lessons that ACS forces have gathered over the last ten years supporting AF, Joint, and coalition missions.

CIVILIAN DEPLOYMENT PROCESS

This collection analyzed the state of the civilian deployment process and captured lessons identified by civilian deployers and Civilian Personnel Offices to enhance civilian deployment processes.

AIR FORCE IN TRANSITION LESSONS LEARNED COMPENDIUM

Under the Air Force-led Lessons Learned GOSG, an emerging repository of lessons identified and learned is being developed into a significant and encompassing LL source.