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CONCLUSION

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If we should have to fight, we should be prepared to do so from the neck up instead of from the neck down.

—General James H. Doolittle



General Doolittle leading the 18 April 1942 raid on Tokyo.

Leadership is fundamental to the US Air Force. Creating future Air Force leaders is the responsibility of the current leaders, and force development is their tool to do so. By using the organized approach of developing leaders from the tactical expertise level, through operational competence, leading to the most senior strategic vision levels in the Air Force, the Service will ensure its continued preeminent position in the world. The [Airman's perspective](#) and [core values](#) provide the foundation for developing and nurturing the [Airmen](#) of today and tomorrow. Through the [force development](#) framework, the Air Force will educate, train, and provide the experiences necessary to grow our future Airmen and develop the leadership attributes required to meet the challenges of a constantly changing and extremely complex international security environment. Leaders are inextricably linked to mission effectiveness; developing Airmen with a deliberate process enables the Air Force to produce the requisite leaders. **Leadership and force development will continue to provide the Air Force with its most valuable asset: its motivated and superbly qualified Airmen.**