

### ***Total Force Approach to Readiness***

In the past, our reserve forces provided an institutional shock absorber to meet expanding requirements, particularly in sustained major operations. Looking forward, our reserves may play more of a complementary role in specific areas. To gain a better understanding of the possibilities, we must:

- Develop a total force (reserve and active forces) approach to supporting and sourcing steady-state operations, SC activities, and contingency response missions.
- Capitalize on the capabilities our reserves can adequately support. Examples include: the employment of the reserve artillery regiment as a force fires and effects cell; law enforcement; or development of IW capacity.