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## DELIBERATE UNIVERSAL NEED STATEMENT (D-UNS)

### PURPOSE

The Deliberate UNS (D-UNS) remains a bottom-up approach to capability development. It is primarily intended as an input into Future Planning Development. With the introduction of the Force Integration MCO 5000.XX (DRAFT) and the MC Capabilities Planning MCO 3120.XX (DRAFT), future planning remains a deliberate and integrated enterprise process which considers Strategic, CMC, and DC CD&I contextual guidance to determine and prioritize critical operational capabilities. Unlike an Urgent UNS, a Deliberate UNS is evaluated to determine if pursuit of such capability is consistent with the above guidance and, if so, determine its criticality. If deemed critical, resourcing of a requested capability competes within the subsequent Program Objective Memorandum (POM) activities and its five year Future Years Defense Program (FYDP).

DC CD&I staff will assist in the submission of an UNS by any available means. Units are encouraged to communicate a proposed or draft D-UNS prior to submission to Accelerated Development Branch at DC CD&I. Questions, recommendations, sample D-UNSs, and all other issues may be addressed to DC CD&I staff at [UNS@usmc.mil](mailto:UNS@usmc.mil). Primary POCs are [richard.webster@usmc.mil](mailto:richard.webster@usmc.mil) and [john.l.russell@usmc.mil](mailto:john.l.russell@usmc.mil).

For amplifying information on the Urgent and Deliberate UNS process, please reference the following:

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**MCO 3900.17** "THE MARINE CORPS URGENT NEEDS PROCESS (UNP) AND THE URGENT UNIVERSAL NEED STATEMENT (Urgent-UNS)

**MCO 5000.XX** "FORCE INTEGRATION" (DRAFT)

**MCO 3120.XX** "MARINE CORPS CAPABILITIES PLANNING" (DRAFT)

## INITIATION AND ENDORSEMENT

- Marines at any level may initiate a Deliberate UNS.
- Deputy Commandants and/or COMMARFORs will ensure each is personally approved by him or herself, their Deputy, or their Chief of Staff prior to forwarding. At least one General Officer in the chop chain must approve a D-UNS.
- Deployed units conducting combat or contingency operations without another Marine General Officer in the chain of command, such as Marine Expeditionary Units, will forward a Deliberate UNS via the supported COMMARFOR.

## SUBMISSION

- A Deliberate UNS request shall be submitted via email to [UNS@usmc.mil](mailto:UNS@usmc.mil)
- Units can obtain forms via [UNS@usmc.mil](mailto:UNS@usmc.mil) and submit the UNS via the chain of the command through the appropriate Deputy Commandant or COMMARFOR.

## TRACKING

- Track the progress of Deliberate UNS via [UNS@usmc.mil](mailto:UNS@usmc.mil)

### \* Criteria for Urgent UNS: (MCO 3900.17)

- This form is not to be used for mission critical gaps that could result in operational mission failure or a high probability of casualties. For requests that meet the criteria for urgency as established in MCO 3900.17 submit an URGENT Universal Needs Statement (U-UNS) [UNS@usmc.mil](mailto:UNS@usmc.mil)

**DELIBERATE UNIVERSAL NEED STATEMENT (D-UNS)****Originator**

Name (Last, First, Initial)	Rank/Grade	Phone	Fax
E-mail	Est Dates of Deployment (yr/mo/day)	Requesting Unit/UIC#/RUC	

**1. Need**

What can't you do? Describe the nature and the cause of the need. Identify the Marine Corps Task (MCT) you can't perform (identify the particular task, conditions, and standards you cannot meet). Is this a Mission Essential Task (MET) for your unit? Explain how the need was identified (e.g. experimentation, formal study, mission area analysis, observed operational deficiencies, etc.)

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**2. Concept of Employment**

Describe the scenario for use of this capability. Who would use the capability, when, where, how, and to what standard? Be as specific as possible. Attach graphics or amplifying documents as necessary. This information would be used to define tasks, conditions, and standards for future capability development.

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**3. Proposed Solution(s)**

Recommended solutions will be considered and may be further refined via the Certifying Deputy Commandant or COMMARFOR. (Consider the following factors: Doctrine, Organization, Training, Materiel, Leadership, Personnel, and Facilities.) Attach graphics or amplifying documents as necessary.

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#### 4. Requested Quantity or Capacity

Identify the total quantities or capacity required, broken down by unit or activity. Compare this request to doctrinal standards and MCTs.

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#### 5. Lessons Learned

Are there any related "Lessons Learned" documented (e.g. MCCLL Reports etc.)?

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#### 6. SME POCs for Information Coordination

Identify your technical and tactical experts and advisors who may assist in the refining/defining of solution to this D-UNS.

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**Originator**

Command	Name of Approval Authority (Last, First, Initial)	Rank/Grade
Mailing Address	Phone DSN:	
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	Date Received	Date Forwarded
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**Major Subordinate Command** – Division, Group, or Wing etc.

Command	Name of Approval Authority (Last, First, Initial)	Rank/Grade
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**MEF Level** or equivalent

Command	Name of Approval Authority (Last, First, Initial)	Rank/Grade
Mailing Address	Phone DSN:	
	E-mail:	
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Approval Authority Comments (optional)		
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## 7. Deputy Commandant / COMMARFOR staff receives, refines, and certifies the need.

Refine the originator's capability gap from an enterprise perspective. How critical is this functional capability to mission accomplishment? Explain Strategic, CMC, and MC Enterprise level impact. Identify the Mission Essential Task which cannot be performed without a new capability solution. If necessary, recommend a new or modified Task, Condition, and/or Standard.

## 8. Scheduling Considerations

Force Generation, planned deployment, MILCON Schedules, etc.

## 9. Estimates of Supportability

**(a) Doctrinal Requirements:** Consider any proposed or required changes to doctrine, or tactics, techniques and procedures (TTPs)

**(b) Organizational Requirements:** Consider any proposed or necessary augmentation or T/O changes.

**(c) Training Limitations:** Consider any limitations in available training opportunities, types or duration. Identify user limits on training and Field Service Representative support available.

**(d) Materiel Supportability:** Consider any known supportability limitations that should be considered. Describe any known organizational level maintenance limitations. Consider whether logistical support could best be provided by marines, contractors, or a combination of both and explain.

**(e) Leadership and Education Requirements:** Consider any changes to Professional Military Education (PME) to include formal schools.

**(f) Personnel Supportability:** Consider manpower requirements to implement your proposed solution, to include critical contact Field Service Representatives.

**(g) Facilities Requirements:** Consider operational training or maintenance facility demands. Are there any requirements or limitations to supportability in (a)-(f) to be considered in solution analysis?

**(h) Policy:** Detail any known policy considerations with development, procurement or implementation.

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## 10. Related Needs Statements

Has this capability gap been identified by another Service or Agency? List any known related Urgent/Deliberate UNS, Joint Emergent Operational Need (JEON), or Joint Urgent Operational Need (JUON). Please include the number, title, and date of the related document.

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### Certifying Authority – Deputy Commandant / Marine Component Commander

Command	Name of Approval Authority (Last, First, Initial)	Rank/Grade	
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