

**A DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PERSPECTIVE
ON
THE GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (GPS)**

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PRESENTATION SUMMARY

GPS continues to be a key element of the Department of Defense's (DoD) future battlespace architecture and as such the Services are fully integrating this capability into all weapon systems. In addition, the GPS constellation is a dual-use system supporting many peaceful civil applications. Civil use of GPS continues to grow on an exponential basis. As a result of this expanding use, the DoD in concert with other governmental Departments are working to address several key issues concerning GPS. This briefing will focus on three areas of interest to the civil community with respect to GPS: (1) an amendment to the Standard Positioning Service (SPS) Signal Specification; (2) the biennial report to Congress on GPS; and (3) DoD's international activities with allied militaries. Many issues associated with these three topics are not solely military or civil, but rather are of equal interest to both. Consequently, this briefing will target the specifics within each topic that are of shared interest between the civil and military communities.