



OVERVIEW AND LEADERSHIP

United States Space Command (USSPACECOM) is the newest of the eleven unified commands in the Department of Defense (DoD). USSPACECOM increases the ability of the Joint Force to project power and influence, reduces decision timelines for space operations, and brings focused attention to defending U.S. interests in space. Establishing USSPACECOM is a critical step in accelerating the ability of the Joint Force to defend vital national interests and deter adversaries.

USSPACECOM is temporarily headquartered in Colorado Springs, Colorado, with personnel and functions at Peterson Air Force Base and Schriever AFB, Colorado, Offutt AFB, Nebraska, and Vandenberg AFB, California.

General John “Jay” Raymond is the commander, USSPACECOM as well as Chief of Space Operations for the United States Space Force, serving as the senior commander of all space unified military forces.

USSPACECOM is distinct from and complementary to the U.S. Space Force. As an Armed Force, the U.S. Space Force will organize, train, and equip space forces. As a Combatant Command, USSPACECOM actively employs assigned forces from each of the military services to accomplish directed missions in the space domain.

MISSION

USSPACECOM conducts operations in, from, and to space to deter conflict, and if necessary, defeat aggression, deliver space combat power for the Joint/Combined force, and defend U.S. vital interests with allies and partners.

The USSPACECOM mission involves four distinct areas of focus:

Deter Aggression: USSPACECOM strengthens our national deterrence through the provision of space warfighting options that preserve the U.S. and Allied competitive advantage while promoting security and stability to ensure conflict does not begin or migrate into the space domain.

Defeat our Nation's Enemies through Posture and Preparedness: Should deterrence fail, USSPACECOM is postured to rapidly transition from competition to conflict and achieve space superiority with the world's premier joint space warfighters to defeat our nation's enemies.

Deliver Space Combat Power: USSPACECOM enhances warfighting readiness and lethality through the integration of space capabilities with the joint force, allies, and inter-agency partners in all domains.

Defend U.S., Allied and Partner Interests: USSPACECOM, in coordination with Allies, the joint force, and inter-agency partners, conduct combined space operations to protect our combined interests and secure critical capabilities.

ORGANIZATION

USSPACECOM has two subordinate commands: Combined Force Space Component Command (CFSCC) and Joint Task Force Space Defense (JTF-SD).

CFSCC plans, integrates, conducts, and assesses global space operations in order to deliver combat relevant space capabilities to Combatant Commanders, Coalition partners, the Joint Force, and the Nation.

JTF-SD conducts, in unified action with mission partners, space superiority operations to deter aggression, defend U.S. and Allied interests, and defeat adversaries throughout the continuum of conflict.

USSPACECOM will be comprised of military members, civilian employees, and contractor personnel. The final size of the command is being determined through a detailed manpower analysis.

Following establishment, USSPACECOM will finalize conditions-based criteria for reaching initial operational capability and full operational capability. Achieving these states is dependent upon ensuring the command has the right capabilities in place to fully accomplish its mission.