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Enhancing foreign airpower capabilities remains essential to US overseas defense posture and exit strategies. Air Force commanders are called upon to provide ideas and recommendations to establish or increase foreign capabilities to perform successfully. Commanders may have to define systems options for counterinsurgency, counterterrorism, and counterdrug programs in terms of various types of aircraft and equipment. They may have to indicate possible courses of action, including off-the-shelf air platforms, modifications, and systems that would fit within foreign aviation needs and capabilities.

The ability of Air Force personnel to conduct <u>foreign internal defense</u> in the assess-train-advise-assist mission set depends on the airpower capabilities of <u>host nations</u>. Commanders should be aware that the ability of lesser-developed nations to perform airpower roles varies, based mostly on levels of indigenous funding, technology, and training.