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SUSTAINMENT COMMAND AND CONTROL

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The Air Force [sustainment](#) construct takes advantage of robust [reachback](#), real-time visibility, centralized control, and the flexibility of airpower to right-size the forward logistics footprint and dedicate maximum assets to moving combat power. As a result, rapid resupply and retrograde operations are necessary to sustain forces and maintain a ready flow of repairables to sources of repair. Reachback for sustainment of equipment, information, materiel, and personnel requires robust, long-haul communication links to identify, coordinate, and monitor requirements. There are many locations for combat support reachback. They include component major commands, component numbered Air Forces, and Air Staff agencies as well as the various functional communities, field operating agencies, and centers.
