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SUSTAINMENT RESUPPLY DISTRIBUTION AND DELIVERY

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Sustainment and resupply provide the capability to determine, forecast, catalog, standardize, and validate requirements as well as identify actions to receive and fulfill requisitions with the focus on reachback requirements. The A4 on the Air Force forces staff conducts operational planning and oversight for the air component commander, in this area. The following sub-capabilities support this:

- ✪ **Forecast requirements:** Those actions taken to identify demand based on past demands, future programs, anticipated failures, and actual inventory.

- ✪ **Receive requisitions:** Actions performed to take delivery of the request for items of supply or commodity.

- ✪ **Control:** Those actions taken to evaluate stock levels, track and account for inventory, and source to meet needs for an item and priority of the requestor before filling a requisition.

- ✪ **Fulfill requisitions:** Includes sequencing, identifying a source, and assuring the proper condition of an asset through inspection.

- ✪ **Stock and storage:** The capability to store items and to receive new materiel.

- ✪ **Determine resupply requirements:** Those actions taken to validate requirements, determine quantities, determine disposal actions, and laterally fill resupply requirements.

- ✪ **Physical disposal**: Process the actual removal or reuse of an item from the Air Force inventory.

- ✪ **Analyze transport requirements:** Analyze the capability to determine and predict requirements for transport.

- ✪ **Plan delivery**: Sequence, coordinate, and prioritize requirements for support and the available transportation capability.

Sustainment, distribution, and delivery provide the robust transportation capability that facilitates the movement and deployment of forces as well as their reception, sustainment, redeployment, or recovery to an in-garrison location.