# **Space Development Agency**



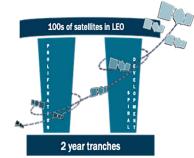


### Mission

### Speed. Delivery. Agility.

As DoD's constructive disruptor for space acquisition, SDA will quickly deliver needed space-based capabilities to the joint warfighter to support terrestrial missions through development, fielding, and operation of the Proliferated Warfighter Space Architecture - a constellation of hundreds of satellites in low Earth orbit. SDA capitalizes on a unique business model that values speed and lowers costs by harnessing commercial development to achieve a proliferated architecture and enhance resilience. SDA will deliver a minimum viable product—on time, every two years—by employing spiral development methods, adding capabilities to future generations as the threat evolves.





#### High-Level Program / Schedule 2023 2024 2025 **Demo Name** 2026 2027 Tranche 0 - Warfighter Immersion **Space Segment** Transport Space Vehicle 20 SVs 4 SVs 4 SVs Tracking Periodic Regional Access ■ Alternate PNT Other ■ Low Latency Data Connectivity ■ Data disseminated to Launch x1 ■ Data directly to tactical elements theater targeting cells ■ HGV Detection & Tracking On-orbit Fusion MSE&I Multi-phenomenology ■ BLOS Targeting **Ground Segment** MW/MT Architecture Adoption Tranche 1 - Initial Warfighter Capability **Space Segment** Persistent Regional Access 126 SVs 28 SVs ■ HGV Detection & Tracking ■ Tranche O listed capabilities Link 16 tactical data link ■ Targeting quality data x1 x5 x4 Launch Periodic Regional Access: Multiple sensing types using mission partner contributions Demonstration: ■ Multi-phenomenology, on-orbit fusion **Operations & Integration** Missile defense demo in operational system Tranche 2 - Full Warfighter Capability Space Segment Persistent Global Access Tranche 1 listed capabilities UHF & S-band tactical Initial missile defense capability communications Launch Periodic Global Access: Multiple sensing types using mission partner contributions Demonstration: Ground, Management & Integration ■ Multi-phenomenology, on-orbit fusion PWSA Futures Program (PFP) TRD 12 SVs **TnDES** (T2DES) TnDES: Operational feasibility demo of future PWSA capability (T1DES) ■ NExT-SDA Experimental Testbed: Evaluates suitability of new (NExT-1) payloads & mission concepts, provided by mission partners. **NExT** 8 SVs Advanced Fire Control (AFC) FOO Fighter (F2) • FOO Fighter (F2): Fire control demonstration in operational **AFCGI** constellation., on-orbit fusion AFC Ground Infrastructure (AFCGI) and AFC Mission Integration (AFCMI) to support F2 and follow-on AFC efforts.

The Space Development Agency's spiral development model now spans the full spectrum: demonstrating Tranche 0, building Tranche 1, acquiring Tranche 2, and planning for Tranche 3

TnDES: Tranche n Demonstration and Experimentation System

FOO Fighter: Fire-control On Orbit-support-to-the-war Fighter

#### **Focus Areas**

**BLOS**: Beyond Line of Sight

HGV: Hypersonic Glide Vehicle

MW/MT: Missile Warning and Missile Tracking

Mesh network of optically-connected satellites to enable:

- Tracking and targeting for advanced missiles in flight
- Beyond-line-of-sight (BLOS) targeting for time-sensitive targets, or mobile targets

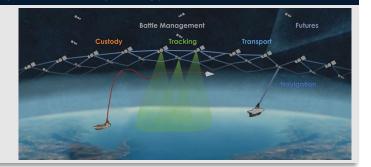
#### **Resilient Layered Architecture Approach**

- Threat-driven capabilities informed by warfighter needs
- Assures resilient, low-latency military data and connectivity worldwide to the full range of warfighter platforms

**AFCMI** 

SV: Space Vehicle

- Integrates with Space Warfighting Analysis Center force design and DOD-wide missile defense mission
- Serves as the Joint All-Domain Command and Control (JADC2) backbone in space



\*And other advanced missile threats

\*Architecture adoption for Tranche 1 and onward

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### Acquiring Capabilities at Speed and Affordable Cost

SDA is on pace to deliver initial space transport capabilities on the agency's originally advertised schedule at a per satellite price point once deemed unachievable.



Approximate average cost of SDA Transport satellite



During FY2023, SDA made 63 awards totaling ~\$2B





Average days between solicitation and contract or award





Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) awards for ~\$37 million in FY2023

## Delivering Capabilities at Speed The First Five Years

