

# THE EM SPECTRUM IS CHANGING

# EXPLOITING YOUR DATA TO ACHIEVE OPERATIONAL ADVANTAGE



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#### SCOPE



- Definition of terms
- Statement of the problem
- Review the impact and effect
- Consider potential solutions
- Look at the benefits of the solutions
- Review the future



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- Can you achieve supremacy or superiority?





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  - Freedom of manoeuvre requirement
  - Maintain operational effectiveness



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- Operational manoeuvre in the congested and contested electromagnetic environment
  - Constrained freedom of manoeuvre
- First to move and first to act advantage is lost
  - We are no longer moving around the OODA loop quicker than our foe
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  - Enable freedom of manoeuvre and spectrum supremacy
  - Enhanced understanding
- Reduced time in countermeasure development
- Networking of capabilities
  - Freedom and passage of data
  - Understanding of data



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  - Expose the digital thread / footprint





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*"In future conflicts, the winner will be the one who turns data into information dominance quicker than our adversary"* 

General Sir Gordon Messenger Vice Chief of the Defence Staff