



Regional Supply Squadron (RSS)

FACT SHEET

What is the eLog21 Regional Supply Squadron effort?

The core Agile Combat Support (ACS) principles of responsiveness, time definite delivery and re-supply, CONUS reach back, and leveraging information technology place strong demands on materiel management activities sustaining the Air and Space Expeditionary Force (AEF). The key ACS tenet of sameness in peace, contingency, and war mandates an RSS structure that seamlessly supports both peacetime and contingency requirements of combatant commands. In supporting the principles and tenets of ACS, the Air Force standard RSS template ensures consistent and responsive levels of materiel management support for air and space forces in peacetime, throughout the spectrum of contingencies, and in the transition between the two. The standardized RSS provides a recognizable template for its customers, supported commanders, and members. RSS's support their customers, at home and abroad, leveraging information technology to provide responsive reach back support.

What is the Regional Supply Squadron vision, mission, and approach?

The vision is to expand an already proven concept and enhance it by building a linkage with all elements of the supply chain. To achieve this purpose, the RSS initiative is comprised of three elements:

- Establish centralized supply coverage for all Major Commands (MAJCOMs) in an organic or shared structure;
- Establish a Lead Command RSS (LCRSS) function for designated lead commands to provide a fleet and operations focused perspective, and;

- Enhance the LCRSS role in spares supply chain management by assigning a more active role in distribution decisions, from both depot and intermediate repair production.

The LCRSS has two new responsibilities: distribution of fleet distributed (selected critical) spares; and spares support analysis from an operational fleet perspective. In addition, this initiative, along with the ASCM and VICP, seeks to improve the integration of efforts by all players in the spares supply chain. This will be facilitated by the addition of new information technology tools that will provide enhanced visibility and analysis capability for all supply chain partners.

Like the VICP and ASCM efforts, this expansion of RSS activities is breaking new ground and requires additional changes as experience is gained with the new, more integrated processes

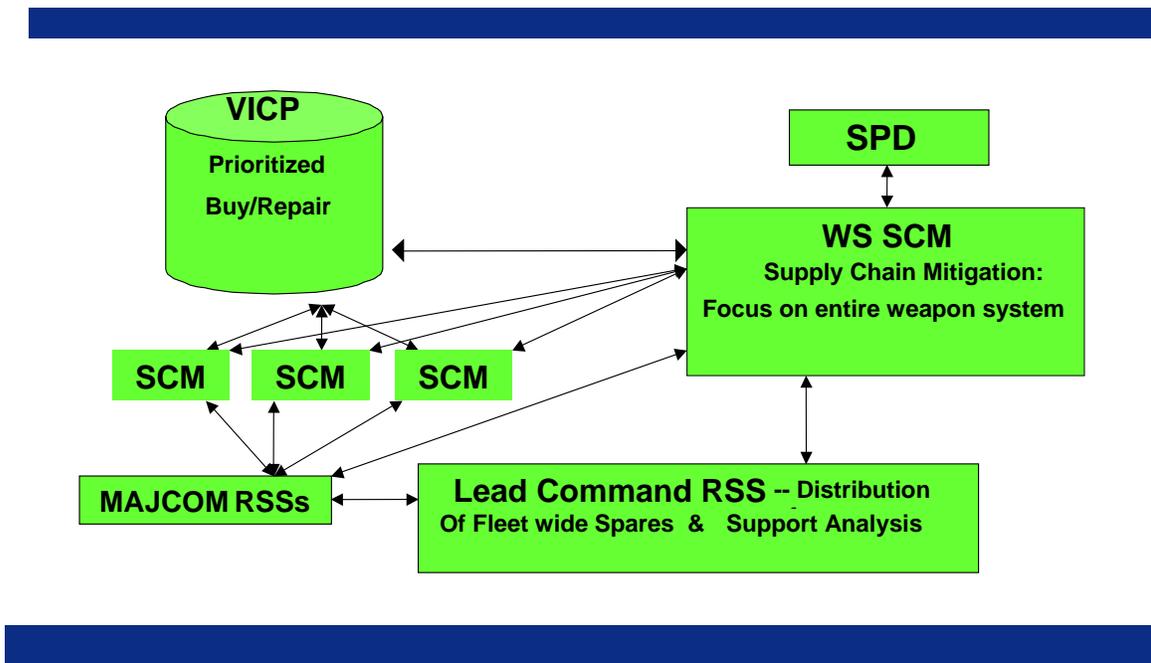
Why did AF/ILI launch the Regional Supply Squadron effort?

Under eLog21 we are developing an effective Supply Chain Command and Control (SC C2) process. The purpose of the SC C2 process is to better integrate the efforts of all principal elements of the supply chain and to improve the command and control process for AF spares. Two elements of the SC C2 effort are the Virtual Inventory Control Point (VICP) and the Weapon System Supply Chain Management (WS SCM) initiatives. Like the VICP and WS SCM initiatives, this effort has a decidedly weapon system management focus.

How does RSS achieve Supply Chain Command and Control (C2)

SC C2 involves a number of organizations throughout the Air Force all focused on integrated supply chain management activities to deliver weapon system availability (WSA) to the warfighting customer. The graphic below provides a high level description of the basic roles, responsibilities, and relationships of the primary SC C2 players that must work together to successfully deliver the required WSA.

The Weapon System Supply Chain Manager (WS SCM) is a new organization, working for the System Program Director (SPD), and serves as the overall lead to execute buy and repair by aligning resources needed to optimize to WSA targets. The WS SCM does not manage National Stock Numbers (NSNs) but rather is responsible for the overall supply chain performance based on guidance provided by the VICP.



The VICP is a data environment (not an organization) managed by HQ AFMC/LG that centrally implements AF policy to achieve funded aircraft availability targets. The VICP prioritizes buy and repair actions that will achieve the funded WSA targets if fully executed and it will identify the constraints that impact reaching the target. It will allocate the resources by weapon system to the ALC for decentralized execution. Finally, the VICP will also be able to measure performance impact on WSA (not efficiency, sales, or capacity utilization).

The WS SCM works with the Commodity Supply Chain Managers (SCM) who are responsible for executing the buy and repair orders to produce the serviceable inventory.

How can I learn more about Regional Supply Squadron?

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