"There is no more powerful engine driving an organization toward excellence and long-range success than an attractive, worthwhile, and achievable vision of the future, widely shared."

"Where there is no vision, the people perish."
--Proverbs 29:18

"The best way to predict the future is to create it."

"Strategic Vision is a mental image of what the future world ought to be like. (The prophet’s view). Development of a strategic vision is preceded by forecasting the actual, matter of fact, realistic and pragmatic future to create an estimate of what the future is likely to be. In doing this, the strategist looks at history, the current situation, and trends. Strategy is the crossover mechanism for moving from the world as forecasted to the world of our vision.

Strategic vision provides direction to both the formulation and execution of strategy. It makes strategy proactive, rather than reactive, about the future."

"The Army Vision--A Total Force Trained and ready to Fight...Serving the Nation at Home and Abroad...A Strategic Force Capable of Decisive Victory--is firmly rooted in the realities of current capabilities while at the same time reaching out with measured confidence to the future. This Army vision reflects the integration of strategy, history, technology, the changing range of threats to our national interests and prosperity, interservice relationships, and political decisions that allocate resources and designate service roles and functions."
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Strategic Vision remains an enduring theme at the U.S. Army War College. In support of this theme, the following bibliography has been developed to aid those engaged in thinking about alternative futures and those involved with developing long-range strategic plans.

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