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When General Colin Powell established *Joint Force Quarterly*, he envisioned a journal that would contain all the practical utility of *Marine Corps Gazette* and the glossy visual presentation of the Naval Institute's *Proceedings*. In this issue, *JFQ* seeks to support a helpful debate over contemporary issues of air and space power in order to improve joint and interagency synergy. In the July issue, the debate will be very different, inasmuch as sister Service use of naval power does not precipitate the same friction and rancor. The illusory tranquility of the naval power debate is due to the fact that it is largely conducted intra-Service, which increases the opportunities for error in naval strategy and procurement. For balance, *JFQ* shall commit a future issue to Land Warfare issues and challenges as well.

The forthcoming 51st issue of the Chairman's journal will present the winners of the May 2008 Secretary of Defense Transformation and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Strategic Essay Competitions (open only to students enrolled in participating military colleges). In addition, *JFQ* encourages you to submit manuscripts that speak to your unique professional strengths and interests. Boldly challenge traditional thought and operational practice in the joint, interagency, national security community, and propose a *new* school solution!

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