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May 28, 2014 – Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. James F. Amos addressed Army War College students in Bliss Hall about the current and future situations the military faces.

“What I worry about most is the defense of this nation,” Amos said as he asked the audience to consider what role does America play in conflicts throughout the world?

The U.S. does not have colonial interests, but as part of goodwill towards all, has a responsibility to

assist where needed. The economy is a key element to peace and, as people and nations are more prosperous, the probability that violence will occur is reduced, said Amos.

When asked about whether the U.S. has two land forces, the Marines and the Army, Amos said, “We are not a land Army, we are a crisis response force.”

The Army and Marine Corps enjoy a great working relationship, he noted. They have successfully worked side by side throughout the present conflicts with Army commanders in charge of Marine units, and Marine Corps officers commanding Army units.

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