

## **INFORMATION PAPER**

### **LHA(R)**

On February 11, 2005, the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics) (USD(AT&L)) approved the Acquisition Strategy Report for the Navy's Amphibious Assault Ship Replacement (LHA(R)) Program, thus enabling the Navy to proceed with their plans to negotiate an advance procurement contract for the first LHA(R) ship. This first ship, referred to as a Flight 0 ship, will be an enhanced aviation variant of the LHD-1 class. The advance procurement contract will include funding for long lead time material and systems engineering.