

The Gansler Commission, officially known as the Commission on Army Acquisition and Program Management in Expeditionary Operations, was a task force created by the U.S. Department of Defense in 2005 to review and make recommendations for improving the Army's acquisition and program management practices.

The commission was led by Dr. Jacques S. Gansler, a former Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, and consisted of a group of experts from various industries and government agencies. The commission was tasked with reviewing the Army's acquisition and program management practices and identifying areas where improvements could be made.

In 2007, the commission released its final report, which contained over 80 recommendations for improving the Army's acquisition and program management practices. Some of the key recommendations included:

1. Improving the Army's contracting and procurement practices to increase competition and reduce costs.
2. Enhancing the Army's program management processes to improve the oversight and management of major acquisition programs.
3. Strengthening the Army's acquisition workforce by increasing training and professional development opportunities.
4. Improving the Army's use of technology to support its acquisition and program management functions.
5. Increasing collaboration between the Army and other government agencies and industry partners to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Army's acquisition and program management practices.

Many of the Gansler Commission's recommendations were incorporated into subsequent reforms and initiatives aimed at improving the Army's acquisition and program management practices. The commission's work helped to raise awareness of the need for greater efficiency and effectiveness in the Army's acquisition process and continues to be cited as a key milestone in the history of Army acquisition reform efforts.