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SUBJECT -- Defense Intelligence Agency

- References:
- (a) DoD Directive 5148.4, "Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Special Operations)"
 - (b) DoD Directive 5100.23, "Administrative Arrangements for the National Security Agency"
 - (c) DoD Directive 5100.1, "Functions of DoD and Its Major Components"
 - (d) DoD Directive C-2000.5
 - (e) DoD Directive S-5100.20
 - (f) DoD Directive C-5200.5
 - (g) DoD Directive S-3115.2
 - (h) DoD Directive S-3115.4

I. GENERAL

- A. Pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of Defense and the provisions of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, a Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) is hereby established as an agency of the Department of Defense under the direction, authority and control of the Secretary of Defense.
- B. Functions, Authorities, and Responsibilities assigned by references (b), (e), (f), (g), and (h) are excluded from the scope of this Directive.

II. ORGANIZATION AND COMMAND

The Defense Intelligence Agency shall consist of:

- A. A Director, a Deputy Director, a Chief of Staff, a headquarters establishment, and such subordinate units, facilities, and activities as are



specifically assigned to the Agency by the Secretary of Defense or by the Joint Chiefs of Staff acting under the authority and direction of the Secretary of Defense.

- B. Such subordinate organizations as are established by the Director, DIA, for the accomplishment of DIA's mission.
- C. The chain of command shall run from the Secretary of Defense, through the Joint Chiefs of Staff to the Director, DIA. Guidance to the Director, DIA, shall be furnished by the Secretary of Defense, the Joint Chiefs of Staff acting under the authority and direction of the Secretary of Defense, and the United States Intelligence Board.

III. RESPONSIBILITIES

The Defense Intelligence Agency, under the direction and operational control of its Director, shall be responsible for:

- A. The organization, direction, management, and control of all Department of Defense intelligence resources assigned to or included within the DIA.
- B. Review and coordination of those Department of Defense intelligence functions retained by or assigned to the military departments. Over-all guidance for the conduct and management of such functions will be developed by the Director, DIA, for review, approval, and promulgation by the Secretary of Defense.
- C. Supervision of the execution of all approved plans, programs, policies, and procedures for intelligence functions not assigned to DIA.
- D. Obtaining the maximum economy and efficiency in the allocation and management of Department of Defense intelligence resources. This includes analysis of those DoD intelligence activities and



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facilities which can be fully integrated or collocated with non-DoD intelligence organizations.

- E. Responding directly to priority requests levied upon the Defense Intelligence Agency by USIB.
- F. Satisfying the intelligence requirements of the major components of the Department of Defense.

IV. FUNCTIONS

Under its Director, the Defense Intelligence Agency shall perform the following functions :

- A. Develop and produce all DoD intelligence estimates and DoD information and contributions to National Estimates for the United States Intelligence Board. Such estimates and contributions may indicate differences in analysis and evaluation.
- B. Provide for the assembly, integration, and validation of all Department of Defense intelligence requirements and the assignment of relative priorities thereto; assign specific requirements to Department of Defense collection resources; and originate requests, when necessary, to non-Department of Defense collection resources to fulfill DoD requirements.
- C. Establish a single DoD Collection Requirements Registry and Facility which will be fully compatible with any National Requirements Registry and Facility.
- D. Provide plans, programs, policies, and procedures for DoD collection activities.
- E. Conduct such technical and counterintelligence functions as may be subsequently assigned to DIA.



- F. Provide all Department of Defense current intelligence.**
- G. Establish and maintain the DoD Indications Center.**
- H. Conduct coordinating and planning activities to achieve the maximum economy and efficiency in the conduct and management of all Department of Defense intelligence activities.**
- I. Provide the Secretary of Defense, the staff assistants to the Secretary, the military departments, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, specialized DoD agencies, the unified and specified commands, and other organizations in the national intelligence community with military intelligence.**
- J. Develop DoD intelligence research and development requirements.**
- K. Develop plans for the integration of DoD intelligence and counterintelligence training programs, career development programs for intelligence personnel, general support programs, and other intelligence activities of the military departments.**
- L. Cooperate with the Central Intelligence Agency and other intelligence organizations for mutual support; common and combined usage of facilities, resources, and training programs; and elimination of duplication.**
- M. Provide in the person of the Director, DIA, one of the Department of Defense representatives to the United States Intelligence Board.**



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- N. Provide for DoD representation on USIB committees and on all other inter-governmental intelligence committees.
- O. Provide guidance, in conformance with USIB policies, to the major components of the Department of Defense on the public release of Defense intelligence information.
- P. Develop plans, programs, policies, and procedures for intelligence mapping and charting activities.
- Q. Prepare and submit to the Secretary of Defense, under procedures approved by the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), a consolidated DoD budget for intelligence activities covered by this Directive, together with recommendations pertaining thereto; and participate in the administration of the consolidated budget. The consolidated budget will include the estimates of the funds required to finance the intelligence activities organized within and directly managed by DIA, and the estimates of the military departments of the funds required to finance the intelligence activities which they conduct subject to review and coordination by DIA.
- R. Integrate DoD intelligence automation and automatic data processing plans and programs, insuring that they complement each other and those of non-DoD intelligence agencies to the maximum extent practicable.
- S. Discharge such other intelligence functions as the Secretary of Defense or the Joint Chiefs of Staff may assign.



V. RELATIONSHIPS

- A. In the performance of its functions, the Defense Intelligence Agency shall:**
- 1. Coordinate actions as appropriate with the other components of the Department of Defense and with those departments and agencies of government having collateral or related functions in its field of assigned responsibilities.**
 - 2. Maintain appropriate liaison with the other components of the DoD and with the necessary departments and agencies of the government for the exchange of information and findings in the field of its assigned responsibility.**
- B. The military departments and other DoD components shall provide support, within their respective fields of responsibility, to the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency as may be necessary to carry out the assigned responsibilities of the Agency.**

VI. AUTHORITY

To discharge the responsibilities of the Agency, the Director, DIA, or his designees, are specifically delegated authority to:

- A. Have free and unrestricted access to and direct communication with all elements of the Department of Defense as well as organizations in the national intelligence community.**
- B. Operate and control all organizations, activities, and resources assigned or attached to the Defense Intelligence Agency.**



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- C. Establish DIA intelligence facilities, taking-over or using, wherever feasible, established facilities of the military departments.
- D. Obtain such information from any component of the DoD as may be necessary for the performance of DIA's functions.
- E. Supervise the execution of approved plans, programs, policies, and procedures for those DoD intelligence functions and activities not directly assigned to DIA.
- F. Centralize or consolidate the functions for which DIA is responsible to the extent the Director deems feasible and desirable in consonance with the aims of maximum over-all efficiency, economy, and effectiveness.

VII. ADMINISTRATION

- A. The Director, Deputy Director, and Chief of Staff of the Defense Intelligence Agency shall be appointed by the Secretary of Defense from commissioned officers of the Armed Forces on active duty who normally shall be from different Services. However, there shall be no established system of inter-Service rotation or designation for these key posts. The Director shall have at least three-star rank while serving in this position. His appointment shall be for a term of four years.
- B. The appointment of other personnel, civilian and military, to the Agency will be subject to the approval of the Director, DIA.
- C. The Defense Intelligence Agency will be authorized such personnel, facilities, funds, and other administrative support as the Secretary of Defense deems necessary for the performance of its functions. The military departments and other DoD components shall



provide support as necessary for the Agency. Budgeting and funding for the Agency will be in conformance with policies established by the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comptroller).

VIII. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Directive is effective 1 October 1961. Whenever the Defense Intelligence Agency assumes responsibility for an intelligence function assigned to DIA under the terms of this Directive, all components of the Department of Defense will review their existing directives, instructions, and regulations for conformity and submit necessary amendments thereto to the General Counsel of the Department of Defense within 90 days.

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