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SUBJECT: Mandating the Use of Department of Defense Enterprise Directory Services (EDS)

The Department of Defense (DoD) must provide enterprise-wide Information Technology (IT) services to operate effectively as an enterprise and to enable secure information sharing and collaboration in a cost effective way. A key enabler of this capability is the DoD-wide Identity and Access Management (IdAM) infrastructure. This infrastructure must allow programs and applications to leverage authoritative information and attributes for digital identity. A foundational service within the IdAM infrastructure is the DoD Enterprise Directory Services (EDS).

The DoD Enterprise Directory Services is a suite of products and services that securely provides DoD Enterprise identity and contact attributes. It is comprised of enterprise provisioning services, directory services, synchronization services, and enterprise white pages which support people discovery across the DoD community. EDS retrieves source identity information from the Defense Information Systems Agency’s (DISA) Global Directory Services (GDS) and Defense Manpower Data Center’s (DMDC) Person Data Repository (PDR), a key component of the Defense Enrollment and Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS). A technical description of EDS is available at http://iase.disa.mil/idam/eds/.

All DoD Components shall complete the following three actions by the specified suspense on the Non-Classified Internet Protocol Router Network (NIPRNET) and Secret Internet Protocol Router Network (SIPRNET). Additional information and compliance support are available online at http://iase.disa.mil/idam/eds_memo_compliance.html. These actions do not apply to non-.mil user accounts at this time.
1. Populate and maintain authoritative organizational and contact data in DMDC's authoritative data source no later than June 28, 2013.

2. Use EDS provisioning and synchronization services to populate directories with enterprise attributes:
   a. Populate directories for existing applications no later than December 27, 2013.
   b. If unable to meet the December timeline, submit a migration plan no later than June 28, 2013. Migration plans must implement EDS no later than December 31, 2015.
   c. Mandate the use of EDS within future procurements, contracts, and technical designs no later than December 27, 2013.

3. Use EDS provisioning and synchronization services to populate all Global Address Lists no later than December 27, 2013.

United States Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM) shall ensure compliance with the actions of this memo and shall provide quarterly compliance reports to the DoD and Component CIOs.

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