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SUBJECT: Department of Defense Counternarcotics Policy

As the consequence of the changed national security environment, the corresponding shift in the Department's budget and other priorities and evolving support requirements, the Department carefully reviewed its existing counternarcotics policies. Attached reflects the current DoD counternarcotics policy. Detailed implementing instructions for counternarcotics policy and support operations will follow.

Attachment
As stated

DoD Counternarcotics Policy

I. The Department of Defense will execute drug demand and supply reduction programs consistent with statutory responsibilities, Presidential direction, and Department priorities. The Department will implement:

- *Demand reduction* programs that promote the readiness of the Armed Forces and the Department's civilian personnel and that reduce illegal drug use within the Department's communities; and
- *Supply reduction* programs that collect, analyze and disseminate intelligence, support interdiction operations, and train host nation counternarcotics forces.

A. **Demand Reduction.** The Department will expand its testing, education, and prevention programs. The Department's demand reduction programs shall include:

- Active-duty and civilian drug testing;
- Expanded testing of the Reserves and National Guard;
- Consistent Service Department and Defense Agency policies regarding drug use;
- Community outreach programs for Department dependents; and the
- Expanded use of the Reserves and National Guard in demand reduction programs.

B. **Supply Reduction.** The Department will execute:

- **Detection and Monitoring** programs that integrate military, United States law enforcement agency, and foreign capabilities against illegal air and maritime drug shipments to the United States. These programs will use:

(1) Military command, control, communications and intelligence resources; and

(2) Military operational planning capabilities that support the interdiction of suspected drug shipments.

- **Other Programs that:**

- (1) Support foreign military and law enforcement counternarcotics activities; and

- (2) Benefit the Department.

II. The Department will focus its counternarcotics activities on programs that:

- Enhance the readiness of the Department of Defense;
- Satisfy the Department's statutory detection and monitoring responsibilities;
- Contribute to the war on terrorism;
- Advance the Department's security cooperation goals; or
- Enhance national security.

III. The Department will review counternarcotics activities and transfer functions to law enforcement agencies, where appropriate, to ensure the efficient and effective use of resources and to complement efforts that combat transnational threats to the United States.

IV. Program Execution

The Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Counternarcotics, reporting through the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict to the Under Secretary of Defense (Policy), shall:

- Develop and implement the Department's counternarcotics policy, conduct analyses, make recommendations and issue guidance regarding the Department's counternarcotics plans and programs;
- Coordinate and monitor the Department's counternarcotics plans and programs to ensure adherence to this policy; and
- Direct and oversee the planning, programming, and budget formulation, justification, and execution for the Department's counternarcotics programs.