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MEMORANDUM FOR SERVICE ACQUISITION EXECUTIVES  
PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY  
OF DEFENSE (LOGISTICS & MATERIEL READINESS)  
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE PROCUREMENT  
DIRECTOR, SMALL & DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS  
DIRECTOR, ACQUISITION INITIATIVES  
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY  
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT  
AGENCY  
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY

SUBJECT: Defense Acquisition Excellence Council (DAEC)

I would like to improve our outreach and communication within the DoD Acquisition Technology and Logistics (AT&L) senior leadership and the defense industry and establish a forum to address acquisition, technology and logistics issues that cut across organizational and functional boundaries. Therefore, I am establishing the Defense Acquisition Excellence Council (DAEC) to collectively work issues as well as take actions to accelerate implementation of the Under Secretary of Defense (USD(AT&L)) initiatives to achieve acquisition excellence. The DAEC membership is composed of senior leadership from the components and the Office of the Secretary of Defense organizations cited in the attachment. Industry advisors will be invited to discuss issues or initiatives of interest to both prime and sub-tier firms across the supply chain, but may not be members of the DAEC.

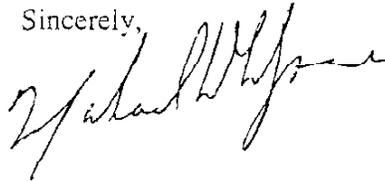
The DAEC replaces the Single Process Initiative (SPI) Executive Council and the Defense Systems Affordability Council and will build upon their achievements. I anticipate that the DAEC will establish standing working groups that will be activated as needed to work issues. The DAEC will focus on much broader process issues than the former SPI Executive Council however it will also assume the responsibility of the SPI Executive Council as the final arbiter of SPI issues that cannot be resolved at lower levels. Unresolved SPI issues will continue to be escalated in accordance with the USD(AT&L) policy memorandum dated August 30, 2000. Management Councils and the SPI Management Team established under the SPI will provide the DAEC support as appropriate and in accordance with DoD 5000.2R paragraph C7.13. Components should continue to assign Component Team Leaders as their representatives at Management Councils meetings.



I will chair quarterly DAEC meetings and the Director, Acquisition Initiatives will be the Executive Secretary with responsibility for developing proposed agendas, issuing meeting notes, and tracking action items. Senior leader membership will be key to the success of the DAEC's effectiveness. By working together with our industry counterparts on issues of mutual concern, we will be able to accelerate meaningful and lasting change.

I invite you to be a member of the DAEC and would appreciate an e-mail confirmation by March 29, 2002 including name, mailing address, e-mail address and phone number. Please send this information to my point of contact [craig.curtis@osd.mil](mailto:craig.curtis@osd.mil), who can also be reached at (703) 697-6399. The first DAEC meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 23, 2002 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., in the Pentagon room 1E801, #7. Thank you for your involvement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael W. Wynne". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Michael" being the most prominent.

**MICHAEL W. WYNNE**

Attachment:  
As stated

cc:  
General Counsel of the Department of Defense

## Defense Acquisition Excellence Council Membership

### **Council Chair:**

Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology & Logistics)

### **Council Executive Secretary:**

Director, Acquisition Initiatives

### **Membership:**

Service Acquisition Executives

Principal Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Logistics & Materiel Readiness)

Director, Defense Procurement

Director, Small and Disadvantaged Business

Director, Acquisition Initiatives

Director, Defense Contract Audit Agency

Director, Defense Contract Management Agency

Director, Defense Logistics Agency

To gain participation from industry, the DAEC will invite advisors of selected industry associations and representatives from each of the established Corporate Management Councils to provide advice to the Council as appropriate:

Boeing Corporate Management Council

Raytheon Corporate Management Council

Lockheed Martin Corporate Management Council

Northrop Grumman Corporate Management Council

Honeywell Corporate Management Council

Small Business (General Representation)

Contract Services Association of America

Professional Services Council

National Defense Industrial Association

Aerospace Industries Association of America

American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics

Council of Defense and Space Industries Association

Electronic Industries Alliance

American Shipbuilding Association