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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
DIRECTORS OF THE DEFENSE AGENCIES

SUBJECT: Document Streamlining- Program Strategies and Systems Engineering Plan

The September 14th Better Buying Power memorandum directed a review of the documentation required by DoDI 5000.02 in support of the acquisition process. My principal concern with our documentation was that page count had substantially increased, but necessary and important content was still not included. The task force formed to address that issue initiated a comprehensive review. As a result of their initial recommendations, I have directed the following actions:

Document Streamlining

The Technology Development Strategy/Acquisition Strategy (TDS/AS) and the Systems Engineering Plan (SEP) will be streamlined consistent with the attached annotated outlines. These outlines will guide document preparation. Each outline has been completely re-written and re-focused on information central to the purpose of the document. Descriptions have been minimized and data emphasized wherever feasible. The revised documents are intended to be shorter while providing the information necessary to support effective program planning and management decisions.

The Life Cycle Sustainment Plan has been separated from the AS and will be revised to improve our focus on sustainment. The outline for that document will be provided as soon as available.

Delegated Approval Authority

Approval authority for the Corrosion Prevention Control Plan (formerly a part of the AS), Programmatic ESOH Evaluation (PESHE), and Item Unique Identification (IUID) Implementation Plan, currently at OSD level for ACAT I programs, is delegated to the Component Acquisition Executive. Consequently, while these documents are still required, they will no longer be submitted for OSD staff approval. Design considerations related to each will be captured in the SEP. Program Managers will provide "hotlinks" in the SEP that will permit responsible staff the opportunity to monitor system compliance.

These actions constitute expected business practice and are effective immediately. Additional document outlines will be distributed as they are completed. The revised outlines will be documented in the Defense Acquisition Guidebook and referenced in the next update to DoDI 5000.02.

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