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SUBJECT: Executive Order 14222 Contract Process Review and Warrant Appointments

On February 26, 2025, President Donald J. Trump issued Executive Order (EO) 14222 entitled "Implementing the President's 'Department of Government Efficiency' Cost Efficiency Initiative," which requires agencies to review, within 30 days, their contracting policies, procedures, and personnel. My staff and I are presently conducting this review to determine where we might achieve efficiencies to save American taxpayers' money while executing contracting operations in support of our nation's defense.

Per the EO, Components are directed to forgo issuing new contracting officer warrant appointments to DoD civilian staff members until March 28, 2025, the duration of the review period. On an exception basis, the Secretaries of the Military Departments may approve warrant appointments as necessary for civilian staff members during this period. Given the fact the EO is inapplicable to uniformed service members, there is no restriction on contracting officer warrant appointments to uniformed members of the military.

I welcome your inputs about specific policy, procedure, and workforce matters we should address to further strengthen our contracting operations toward more affordable defense capabilities for the Warfighter. The Acting Director of Contract Policy, Colonel Steven Green, is leading this review and we will consider inputs submitted by March 21, 2025, to osd.pentagon.ousd-a-s.mbx.asda-dp-c-contractpolicy@mail.mil.

Sincerely,

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