

Operational Contract Support (OCS) Functional Capabilities Integration Board (FCIB)

OVERVIEW: In response to heightened Congressional interest, the Department has renewed its focus on OCS in the 21st century as a core defense capability requiring senior-level oversight. Section 854 of the John Warner NDAA for FY 2007 and, subsequently, Section 2333 of Title 10, U.S.C. require the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to establish joint policies on requirements definition, contingency program management, and contingency contracting during combat operations and post-conflict operations.

In 2007, a special General Officer Steering Committee (GOSC) was appointed to ensure Department-wide compliance with section 854. Additionally, a new Task Force and corresponding Executive Steering Group (ESG) were established to comply with section 849 of the NDAA for FY 2008, which called for the Secretary of Defense and Secretary of the Army to review recommendations of the of the Commission on Army Acquisition and Program Management in Expeditionary Operations and report to the congressional defense committees on steps that they have taken or plan to take to implement the recommendations. The Group, informally referred to as the Contingency Contracting Administrative Services (CCAS) ESG, operated in tandem with the nearly synonymous “854 GOSC”, leading to duplication of efforts.

With the enactment of the OCS FCIB charter on March 29, 2010, USD(AT&L) effectively consolidated the statutory duties of the 854 GOSC and CCAS ESG under one Board. DASD(PS), then titled ADUSD(PS) and serving as co-chair of the 854 GOSC as well as a senior member of the CCAS ESG, was appointed chair of the OCS FCIB.

KEY POINTS:

- *Establishment and Mission.* On June 27, 2014, USD(AT&L) signed the revised DoD OCS FCIB Charter into effect and reconfirmed the role of the Board as the single senior executive-level governance forum responsible for strategic direction, coordination, and guidance to establish OCS as a core capability. The OCS FCIB carries out this mission by coordinating Joint Staff, Combatant Commands, Military Departments, OSD Staff, and Defense Agencies to address OCS planning, program management, requirements definition, contingency, crisis action, combat and post-combat issues.
- *Functions.* The FCIB performs the following functions in support of the overarching mission:
 - Oversees development of joint policies as required by Section 2333 of Title 10.
 - Addresses OCS capability issues, including gaps and redundancies.
 - Advocates for OCS integration into Doctrine, Organization, Training, Materiel, Leadership and Education, Personnel and Facilities (DOTMLPF).
 - Oversees and manages implementation of the DoD OCS Action Plan.
 - Assesses and recommends ways to refine DoD systems for measuring the status and readiness of OCS capabilities.

- *Composition and Operating Structure.* The OCS FCIB is chaired by the DASD(PS) and co-chaired by the Vice Director, Directorate for Logistics, Joint Staff (J4) and convened its first meeting on July 21, 2010. The board consists of seven (7) principal members and four (4) associate members appointed by component organizations across OSD and the Services. The FCIB is routinely supported by a Council of Colonels (CoC) which serves as the entry point for OCS issues. A Board Secretariat serving at the O-6/GS-15 or equivalent level serves as principal staff advisor to the FCIB chair and presides as chair of the supporting CoC.
 - Meeting Frequency: Quarterly and/or as required.