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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS

SUBJECT: Depot Maintenance Production Work Force

This memo provides guidance on managing the depot maintenance work force. The adequacy of the depot maintenance production work force is essential to weapon system readiness. Changing operational tempo and weapon system requirements result in depot maintenance work load fluctuations. To remain cost efficient, the level of depot maintenance workers must be adjusted as needed to match the available work load.

You are reminded that federal law requires that civilian employees who perform, or are involved in the performance of depot-level maintenance and repair workloads shall be managed solely on the basis of the available work load and the funds made available for such depot-level maintenance and repair, as required by section 2472 of title 10, United States Code.