assessment tools used in the Department of Defense to establish a capabilitiesbased, adaptive, near real-time readiness

reporting system.

All DoD Components will use the DRRS information to identify critical readiness deficiencies, develop strategies for rectifying these deficiencies, and ensure they are addressed in appropriate program/budget planning or other DoD management systems.

The major subsystems of the Defense Readiness Reporting System include:

(a) The Enhanced Status of Resources and Training System (ESORTS) is an automated, near real-time readiness reporting system that provides resource standards and current readiness status for operational forces and defense support organizations in terms of their ability to perform their mission essential tasks. ESORTS allows users electronic access into multiple readiness community data sources using ESORT tools to view readiness-reporting data in a uniform fashion from any readiness data source.

(b) The Planning and Assessment Tools Suite (PATS) provides the capability to assess plans using real unit data gathered from ESORTS; test feasibility form forces, logistics, and other aspects and assesses the ability to execute multiple plans under the National Military Strategy; and supports rapid, adaptive planning in response to contingencies.

DDRS will employ Networks and Information Integration (NII) approved web-servicing techniques to acquire and share DRRS readiness information. DRRS will obtain readiness related personnel data from the Army Human Resource Center's Integrated Total Army Personnel Database (ITAPDB), Air Force's Military Personnel Data System (MilPDS), Navy's Type Command Readiness Management System (TRMS) and Marine Corps' Marine Corps Total Force System (MCTFS).

DRRS readiness assessment process are supported by web service agents that gather information from primary source data in the net-centric environment and perform analysis and web service notification. Data sources expose their readiness related data to DRRS by mapping their data to the DRRS Readiness Markup Language (RML) specification and expose it as a Web service. In this case, a Web service is a self-contained, modular unit of software application logic. Using the RML, data source providers can share their data directly with DRRS/ESORTS users in a consistent and meaningful way not tied to any one specific software platform. Once data source providers expose their

selected data using Web services, the data can be repurposed for other approved readiness and DoD-wide uses. DRRS will operate in a Secret Internet Protocol Network (SIPRNet) environment where exposure will be limited to appropriately cleared personnel.

DDRS will permit commanders to obtain pertinent readiness data personnel assigned/attached to their units.

ROUTINE USERS OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) of the Privacy Act, these records or information contained therein may be disclosed outside the DoD as routine use pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3) as follows:

The DoD "Blanket Routine Uses" set forth at the beginning of the OSD compilation of systems of records notices also apply to this system.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Electronic storage medium.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Retrieved by individual's name and Social Security Number.

SAFEGUARDS:

Access to the Defense Readiness Reporting System is limited to authorized and appropriately cleared personnel as determined by the system manager. Defense Readiness Reporting System information/records are maintained in a controlled facility. Physical entry is restricted by use of locks, guards, and is accessible only to authorized, cleared personnel. Access to information/records is limited to person(s) responsible for servicing the record in performance of their official duties and who are properly screened and cleared for need-to-know. Access to computerized data is restricted by passwords, which are changed periodically.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Disposition pending (treat records as permanent until the National Archives and Records Administration has approved the retention and disposition schedule).

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Director of Readiness, Programming and Assessment, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Office of the Under Secretary Defense for Personnel and Readiness, 4000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–4000.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals seeking to determine whether information about themselves is contained in this system should address written inquiries to the local commander. For a complete list of mailing addresses, contact the system manager.

Individual should provide their full name, Social Security Number, and military status or other information verifiable from the record itself.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Individuals seeking access to information about themselves contained in this system should address written inquiries to the local commander. For a complete list of mailing addresses, contact the system manager.

Individual should provide their full name, Social Security Number, and military status or other information verifiable from the record itself.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

The OSD rules for accessing records, for contesting contents and appealing initial agency determinations are published in OSD Administrative Instruction 81; 32 CFR part 311; or may be obtained from the system manager.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Information is obtained from DoD Staff, field installations and automated data systems for personnel and training.

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, DoD.

ACTION: Notice to Alter a System of Records

SUMMARY: The Department of the Air Force is altering a system of records notice in its existing inventory of record systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended.

DATES: This proposed action will be effective without further notice on January 10, 2005, unless comments are received which result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Air Force Privacy Act Manager, Office of the Chief Information Officer, AF–CIO/P, 1155 Air Force Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330–1155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Anne Rollins at (703) 696–6280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of the Air Force systems of records notices subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the Federal Register and are available from the address above.

The proposed system report, as required by 5 U.S.C. 522a(r) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, was submitted on November 24, 2004, to the House Committee on Government Reform, the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to paragraph 4c of Appendix I to OMB Circular No. A–130, 'Federal Agency Responsibilities for Maintaining Records About Individuals,' dated February 8, 1996 (February 20, 1996, 61 FR 6427).

Dated: December 6, 2004.

Jeannette Owings-Ballard,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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SYSTEM NAME:

Courts-Martial and Article 15 Records (June 11, 1997, 62 FR 31793).

CHANGES:

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Routine uses of records maintained in the system, including categories of users and the purposes of such uses: Add a new paragraph "To victims and witnesses of a crime for the purposes of providing information consistent with the requirements of the Victim and Witness Assistance Program and the Victims' Rights and Restitution Act of 1990 regarding the investigation and disposition of an offense."

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SYSTEM NAME:

Courts-Martial and Article 15 Records.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Judge Advocate General, Headquarters United States Air Force, 1420 Air Force Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330–1420;

Headquarters Air Force Personnel Center, 550 C Street W, Randolph Air Force Base, TX 78150–4703;

National Personnel Records Center, Military Personnel Records, 9700 Page Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63132–5100; Washington National Records Center, Washington, DC 20409–0002; and

Air Force major commands, major subordinate commands headquarters, and at all levels down to and including Air Force installations. Official mailing addresses are published as an appendix to the Air Force's compilation of systems of records notices.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

All persons subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice (10 U.S.C. 802) who are tried by courts-martial or upon whom Article 15 punishment is imposed.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Records of trial by courts-martial and records of Article 15 punishment and documents received or prepared in anticipation of judicial and non-judicial proceedings.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

10 U.S.C. 815(g), Commanding officer's non-judicial punishment; 854, Record of Trial; 865, Disposition of records after review by the convening authority; and E.O. 9397.

PURPOSE(S):

Records of trial by courts-martial are used for review by the appellate and other authorities.

Portions of the record in every case are used in evaluating the individual's overall performance and inclusion in the military master personnel record; if conviction results, a record thereof can be introduced at a subsequent courtsmartial trial involving the same individual; also used as source documents for collection of statistical information.

Article 15 records are used for review of legal sufficiency and action on appeals or applications for correction of military records filed before appropriate Air Force authorities: used to formulate responses to inquiries concerning individual cases made by the Congress, the President, the Department of Defense, the individual involved or other persons or agencies with a legitimate interest in the Article 15 action; used by Air Force personnel authorities in evaluating the individual's overall performance and inclusion in the individual's military master personnel record; may be used for introduction at a subsequent courtsmartial trial involving the same individual; used as source documents for collection of statistical information by The Judge Advocate General.

Documents received or prepared in anticipation of judicial and non-judicial Uniform Code of Military Justice proceedings are used by prosecuting attorneys for the government to analyze evidence; to prepare for examination of witnesses; to prepare for argument before courts, magistrates, and investigating officers, and to advise commanders. Documents may be required after trial when appellate or reviewing authorities make post-trials inquiries or order new trials.

ROUTE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) of the Privacy Act, these records, or information contained therein, may specifically be disclosed outside the DoD as a routine use pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3) as follows:

Records form this system may be disclosed to the Department of Veteran Affairs, the Department of Justice, the Department of State, and federal courts for determination of rights and entitlements of individuals concerned or the government.

The records may also be disclosed to a governmental board or agency or health care professional society or organization if such record or document is needed to perform licensing or professional standards monitoring related to credentialed health care practitioners or licensed noncredentialed health care personnel who are or were members of the United States Air Force, and to medical institutions or organizations wherein such member has applied for or been granted authority or employment to provide health care services if such record or document is needed to assess the professional qualifications of such member.

To victims and witnesses of a crime for the purposes of providing information consistent with the requirements of the Victim and Witness Assistance Program and the Victims' Rights and Restitution Act of 1990 regarding the investigation and disposition of an offense.

The DoD 'Blanket Routine Uses' set forth at the beginning of the Air Force's compilation of systems of records notices apply to this system.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Maintained in file folders, and in computers and computer output products.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Retrieved by name, Social Security Number, Military Service Number, or by other searchable data fields.

SAFEGUARDS:

Records are accessed by custodian of the record system and person(s) who are properly screened and cleared for needto-know. Records are stored in vaults and locked rooms or cabinets. Records are protected by guards, and controlled by personnel screening and by visitor registers. Those in computer storage devices are protected by computer system software.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Courts-martial records are retained in office files for 2 years following date of final action and then retired as permanent. General and special courts-martial records are retired to the Washington National Records Center, Washington, DC 20409–0002.

Summary courts-martial and Article 15 records are retained in office files for 1 year or until no longer needed, whichever is sooner, and then retired as permanent.

Summary courts-martial and Article 15 records are forwarded to the Air Force Personnel Center for filing in the individual's permanent master personnel record.

Documents received or prepared in anticipation of judicial and non-judicial Uniform Code of Military Justice proceedings are maintained in office files until convictions are final or until no longer needed then destroyed. Records are destroyed by tearing into pieces, shredding, pulping, macerating or burning.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Judge Advocate General, Headquarters United States Air Force, 1420 air Force Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330–1420;

Chief, Military Personnel Records Division, Directorate of Personnel Data Systems, Headquarters Air Force Personnel Center, 550 C Street W, Randolph Air Force Base, TX 78150– 4703; and

The Staff Judge Advocate at all levels of command and at Air Force installations. Official mailing addresses are published as an appendix to the Air Force's compilation of systems of records notices.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals seeking to determine whether information about themselves is contained in this system of records should address written inquiries to the appropriate System manager above.

Individual should provide full name, Social Security Number, service number if different than Social Security Number, unit of assignment, date of trial and type of court, if known, or date punishment imposed in the case of Article 15 action.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Individuals seeking to access records about themselves contained in this system of records should address written inquiries to the appropriate System manger above.

Individual should provide full name, Social Security Number, service number if different than Social Security Number, unit of assignment, date of trial and type of court, if known, or date punishment imposed in the case of Article 15 action. Requester may visit the office of the system manager. Requester must present valid identification card or driver's license.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

The Air Force rules for accessing records, and for contesting contents and appealing initial agency determinations are published in Air Force Instruction 33–332; 32 CFR part 806b; or may be obtained from the system manager.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Information from almost any source can be included if it is relevant and material to the Article 15 or courtsmartial proceedings.

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

Portions of this system may be exempt pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(j)(2) if the information is compiled and maintained by a component of the agency that performs as its principle function any activity pertaining to the enforcement of criminal laws from the following subsections of 5 U.S.C. 552a(c)(3), (c)(4), (d), (e)(1), (e)(2), (e)(3), (e)(4)(G), (H) and (I), (e)(5), (e)(8), (f), and (g).

Investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than material within the scope of subsection 5 U.S.C. 552a(j)(2), may be exempt pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2).

However, if an individual is denied any right, privilege, or benefit for which he would otherwise be entitled by Federal law or for which he would otherwise be eligible, as a result of the maintenance of the information, the individual will be provided access to the information exempt to the extent that disclosure would reveal the identity of a confidential source from the following subsections of 5 U.S.C. 552a(c)(3), (d), (e)(1), (e)(4)(G), (H), and (I), and (f). Note: When claimed, this exemption allows limited protection of investigative reports maintained in a system of records used in personnel or administrative actions.

An exemption rule for this record system has been promulgated in accordance with the requirements of 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(1), (2), and (3), (c) and (e) and published in 32 CFR part 806c. For additional information contact the system manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education. **SUMMARY:** The Leader, Information Management Case Services Team, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 8, 2005.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Information Management Case Services Team, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) title; (3) summary of the collection; (4) description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) reporting and/or recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used