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SUBJECT: Opportunities for Department of Defense Civilians to Serve in Global **Expeditionary Positions**

DIRECTORS OF THE DOD FIELD ACTIVITIES

This is to request your support in launching the first phase of the Department's initiative to create a more robust civilian workforce expeditionary capability. This initiative was briefed to your senior leaders at the Defense Human Resources Board (DHRB) meeting on August 21, 2008. This first phase immediately expands opportunities for DoD civilians to serve in global expeditionary positions from six months and up to one year in length.

These opportunities are located on the staffs of Joint Task Force Headquarters supporting operations around the globe. Previously, these opportunities were designated as military billets and filled by active duty military personnel. This first-ever effort will expand opportunities for DoD civilians to contribute their talent now to these joint, integrated national security mission requirements. This initial effort will lead the way for designating more DoD support billets as civilian at all Joint Task Force Headquarters.

To initiate phase one, the Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense will:

Post all expeditionary opportunities on the DoD civilian expeditionary workforce website: www.cpms.osd.mil/expeditionary/ with links to Service and OSD/4th Estate websites for how to apply



- Accept and review employee resumes from employees
- Provide oversight and guidance to the Services on vetting and nominating the best qualified person
- Work with the Services on accepting and processing all resumes
- Coordinate and assist in pre and post deployment processing

My expectation is that you will communicate these opportunities to your workforce and positively support the interest and willingness of employees who volunteer for the Department's expeditionary requirements. To assist in the planning and coordination process, please identify a lead and provide contact information to the DoD coordinator, Eric Russi, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Civilian Personnel Policy) at 703-571-9287 or Eric.Russi@osd.mil.

I am confident that I have your support in accomplishing this important endeavor.

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