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OPNAV INSTRUCTION 3000.14

From: Chief of Naval Operations
Commandant of the Marine Corps

Subj: MARITIME PREPOSITIONING FORCE (MPF) PREPOSITIONING PROGRAM
MANAGEMENT GROUP (PPMG) CHARTER

Ref: (a) SECNAVINST 3000.5, Maritime Prepositioning Force (MPF)
Program

1. Purpose. To organize and provide instructions for the functioning of the subject management group.

2. Supersession. This instruction, together with the information contained in reference (a), supersedes and cancels the Chief of Naval Operations and Commandant of the Marine Corps Memorandum of Agreement on Joint USN/USMC Concept of Operations for Maritime Prepositioning Ships dated 14 April 1983 (NOTAL).

3. Background

a. The Maritime Prepositioning Force (MPF) program provides Fleet Commanders in Chief and the Unified Combatant Commanders with unique, efficiently deployed, forward based naval force projection capabilities.

b. Due to unique operational and logistic requirements and issues associated with maritime prepositioning, a Prepositioning Program Management Group (PPMG) is hereby established to ensure that Navy and Marine Corps service efforts are fully coordinated. This committee, created by the Chief of Naval Operations and the Commandant of the Marine Corps, will provide continuing oversight and coordination of planning and management of the MPF program.

4. Functions. The PPMG is established to provide joint Navy and Marine Corps oversight and management of the MPF program. This group does not replace, but rather, supports those Navy and Marine Corps staff agencies and commands having day-to-day responsibility for maritime prepositioning as assigned in appropriate service directives. As such, the PPMG shall:

a. Coordinate and integrate Navy and Marine Corps actions to resolve service-level MPF planning and management issues.



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b. Develop appropriate options and recommendations concerning the MPF program for principal staff or service chief decision.

c. Have the authority to task and coordinate actions of the respective service staffs, fleet commands and commands of the supporting establishment related to MPF program planning and management.

d. Monitor the progress of previously established MPF interoperability planning syndicates until disestablished by the PPMG.

e. Organize and task planning syndicates or working groups, when required, to address specific policy and planning requirements for the MPF program.

f. Request additional flag and general officer membership on the PPMG as may be required to sponsor a particular working group.

g. Convene annually, or as required, the MPF interoperability conference.

h. Provide reports as necessary to the Chief of Naval Operations and Commandant of the Marine Corps, Navy and Marine Corps service headquarters staffs, and fleet and supporting establishment commands.

5. Organization

a. The PPMG will be permanently co-chaired by a flag officer designated by the Vice Chief of Naval Operations and a general officer designated by the Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps.

b. Primary members of the PPMG will be flag-rank officers designated by the following commands and staff agencies.

(1) Navy: Commander in Chief, Atlantic Fleet; Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet; Commander, Military Sealift Command; Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (DCNO) for Plans, Policy and Operations (N3/N5); DCNO for Logistics (N4).

(2) Marine Corps: Commander, Marine Forces Atlantic; Commander, Marine Forces Pacific; Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command; DC/S for Plans, Policies and Operations (PP&O); DC/S for Installations and Logistics (I&L); Commander, Marine Corps Logistics Bases (COMMARCORLOGBASES);

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Commander, Marine Corps Systems Command (COMMARCORSYSCOM).

c. The primary members of the PPMG will each designate a principal action officer as their point of contact for development and coordination of MPF issues.

d. Representatives of other Navy and Marine Corps commands that participate in MPF planning and management may be requested to assist the PPMG. These include: Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Naval Air Systems Command, Marine Corps Systems Command and staff departments or divisions from Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV) and Headquarters Marine Corps (HQMC).

e. The PPMG will establish separate planning syndicates and working groups as required. Chairpersons or co-chairs will be assigned by the PPMG and will fulfill their PPMG requirements as an additional duty.

6. Funding and Administration

a. Funding for conferences, studies and other temporary duty requirements is a service responsibility. A separate budget for the PPMG will not be established. The PPMG will, as necessary, make recommendations for funding of special study requirements to N3/N5 and DC/S, PP&O.

b. The PPMG co-chairs and primary members will meet semiannually or as required. Principal action officer meetings and their frequency will be as determined by the co-chairs and primary members.

c. Minutes of each meeting will be prepared for approval of the co-chairmen. They will include a summary of each agenda item discussed and conclusions and recommendations developed by the PPMG. A summary of the proceedings will be forwarded to the DCNO for Plans, Policy and Operations and the DC/S for Plans, Policies and Operations. Copies of each summary will be provided to all cognizant commands and staff agencies for information.

7. Action

a. The DCNO for Plans, Policy and Operations (N3/N5) and the DC/S for Plans, Policy and Operations (PP&O), Headquarters Marine Corps are the service sponsors of the PPMG.

b. The MPF Interoperability Planning Flag and General Officer Steering Committee is hereby disestablished.

c. The MPF interoperability planning syndicates, established in 1991 by OPNAV (N51) and HQMC (PO) to address MPF employment,

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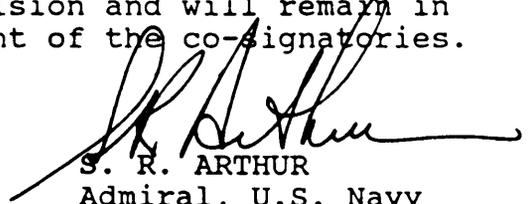
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doctrine, training and education, tailoring, and automated information systems, may be disestablished by the PPMG as the syndicates' taskings are completed.

8. Changes and Revisions. This instruction will be reviewed annually by the PPMG for changes and revision and will remain in effect until rescinded by mutual agreement of the co-signatories.



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