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From: Chief of Naval Operations

Subj: POLICY FOR U.S. NAVY PROVISION AND SUPPORT OF SPECIFIED
EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS TO THE U.S. COAST GUARD

Ref: (a) Title 14, United States Code, Sections 3 and 145
(b) Title 10, United States Code, Sections 101 and 2571
(c) DODINST 4000.19 of 9 Aug 95, Interservice and
Intragovernmental Support (NOTAL)
(d) Basic Agreement Between the U.S. Navy and the U.S.
Coast Guard for Interservice Logistics Support (1987)
(e) Memorandum for the Record Ser N51/OU598250 of 12 Jul 00,
Charter of the Navy/Coast Guard Board Permanent
Joint Working Group (NOTAL)

1. Purpose. To issue the U.S. Navy's policy on support of specified equipment and systems provided to and in use by the U.S. Coast Guard and to assign responsibilities for carrying out this policy. This is a complete revision and should be read in its entirety.

2. Cancellation. OPNAVINST 4000.79A.

3. Background. References (a) and (b) provide the statutory basis for the working relationship between the Navy and the Coast Guard. In addition, reference (a) provides for an appropriate balance of assignments, functions and equipment when the Coast Guard is directed to join the Department of the Navy or when Coast Guard forces operate under combatant commanders and their joint force maritime component commanders. Reference (c) contains the basic Department of Defense (DOD) policies and principles governing interservice and intergovernmental support. Reference (d) provides guidance and general procedures for all areas of logistics support of specified equipment and systems.

4. Policy. It is Navy policy to ensure that the Coast Guard is prepared to carry out assigned naval warfare tasks mutually agreed upon by the two Services, and to enter into support agreements with the Coast Guard consistent with references (a) through (c).

5. Actions. The following organizational responsibilities apply:

a. Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Resources, Requirements, and Assessments (N8)).

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(1) Plan, program, and budget, within overall Navy priorities, for specified Navy military equipment, systems and logistics support requirements for Coast Guard units to ensure that the Coast Guard is prepared to execute naval warfare tasks in consonance with U.S. Navy units. This includes both active and reserve components.

(2) In coordination with the Coast Guard, review reference (d) for currency and update accordingly every two years.

(3) Co-Chair the Navy/Coast Guard (OPNAV/COGARD) Permanent Joint Working Group, reference (e), which functions as the standing OPNAV/COGARD working group to coordinate and review the Coast Guard's role in surface and expeditionary warfare, as well as Coast Guard systems requirements, modifications, or upgrades pursuant to this instruction.

b. Commanders of the various Systems Commands.

(1) Maintain, as appropriate, MOA's with the Coast Guard to address specific system support.

(2) Provide, in conjunction with supported Program Executive Offices and within appropriate priorities, the peacetime and wartime effort necessary to translate required task capabilities from the CNO into hardware systems and logistics support for Coast Guard units.

c. Fleet Commanders. Based on official requests from Coast Guard field operational and support units, provide (within appropriate priorities) facilities, logistical support and other services, consistent with the provisions of MOAs between the Navy and the Coast Guard for interservice logistic support of specified equipment and systems.



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