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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, ACQUISITION INITIATIVES DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY) CHIEF OF NAVAL RESEARCH DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE (SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENGINEERING) CHIEF SCIENTIST, MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY DIRECTOR, DEFENSE ADVANCED RESEARCH **PROJECTS AGENCY** DIRECTOR, DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY DIRECTOR, DEFENSE RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING. DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (LABORATORIES AND BASIC SCIENCES) DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (ADVANCED SYTEMS AND CONCEPTS) DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY)

Subject: Science and Technology Information Reuse

Over the past several years, the Defense Technical Information Center (DTIC) has undergone major reengineering to strengthen their capability to provide all DoD users the best possible scientific and technical information (STI). One of the most significant changes to DTIC was its establishment as a DoD Field Activity. Additionally, DTIC has transformed itself to allow web-based access to DoD funded research and development information through the Research and Engineering Portal, a portal that is available to all DoD personnel.

The foundation of DTIC's value to the Department lies in DTIC's ability to access all DoD scientific and technical information. Government funded research should be available for reuse by all qualified entities. I need your help in ensuring the Department's most current data is available through DTIC. The data may be in the form of technical reports, journal articles, technical papers, conference proceedings, etc. DoDI 3200.14, the DoD Scientific and Technical Information Program (STIP), provides the detailed requirements, but I would like to highlight a couple of specific areas.

First, even if the results of DoD funded research are published in a peer reviewed journal, the results must also be submitted to DTIC. The organization responsible for the research may submit any combination of technical reports, technical papers, journal



articles, or other types of scientific and technical information that document the efforts well enough to allow others to comprehend the purpose, scope, approach, results or outcomes, and conclusions or recommendations of those efforts. There is a misconception that merely providing citation to where that information may be found suffices to meet DoD's requirement. It does not. DTIC must have the articles or documents that are primary sources of the information. Providing DTIC primary sources of information provides the Department preservation of the research, as well as providing secondary dissemination while maintaining the documents distribution limitations.

The second area that requires attention are summaries of all funded projects. This requirement stems from the "E-Gov Act of 2002". DTIC has implemented a web-based collection system to allow researchers to easily submit data, supporting reuse. A data collection cycle has just completed, and a new one will begin soon. Current summaries of research are important both to establish return on investment for taxpayer investment and to give project contact points for use in possible collaborative efforts.

Working together, I believe we can maximize the return on investment of science and technology (S&T) investment for the Department of Defense, and better enable technology efforts to support National and Departmental goals. To better enable our efforts in S&T information, I ask that you provide contact information for your Scientific and Technical Information Officer (STINFO) or other designated representative to the DTIC Administrator, Mr. R. Paul Ryan (703) 767-9100 or ryan@dtic.mil.

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