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as noted in paragraph (a)(8) of this section.

(1) The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development and Acquisition) is the Acquisition Executive for the Department of the Navy. The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development and Acquisition) (ASN(RD&A)) is responsible for research, development and acquisition, except for military requirements and operational test and evaluation, which remain functions of the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations and Headquarters Marine Corps. In addition to Acquisition Executive, ASN(RD&A) is also the Navy Senior Procurement Executive and Senior Department of the Navy Information Resource Management Official. Responsibilities include developing acquisition policy and procedures for all Department of the Navy research, development, production, shipbuilding and production/logistics support programs; and Department of the Navy international technology transfer.

(2) The Auditor General is responsible for the internal auditing function within the Department of the Navy.

(3) The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management) is responsible for comptrollership, including financial management, within the Department of the Navy.

(4) The Naval Inspector General is responsible for the inspector general function within the Department of the Navy.

(5) The Chief of Legislative Affairs is responsible for legislative affairs within the Department of the Navy.

(6) The Chief of Information is responsible for public affairs within the Department of the Navy.

(c) The Secretary shall:

(1) Prescribe the relationship of each office or other entity established or designated under paragraph (b) of this section:

(i) To the Chief of Naval Operations and the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations; and

(ii) To the Commandant of the Marine Corps and the Headquarters, Marine Corps; and

(2) Ensure that each such office or entity provides the Chief of Naval Operations and the Commandant of the

Marine Corps such staff support as the Chief of Naval Operations and the Commandant of the Marine Corps consider necessary to perform their respective duties and responsibilities.

(d) The vesting in the Office of the Secretary of the Navy of the responsibility for the conduct of a function specified in paragraph (a) of this section does not preclude other elements of the Department of the Navy (including the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations and the Headquarters, Marine Corps) from providing advice or assistance to the Chief of Naval Operations and the Commandant of the Marine Corps, or otherwise participating in that function within the executive part of the Department under the direction of the office assigned responsibility for that function in the Office of the Secretary of the Navy.

§ 700.312 Authority over organizational matters.

Subject to the approval or guidance of the Secretary of the Navy, the Civilian Executive Assistants, the Chief of Naval Operations, the Commandant of the Marine Corps and the Staff Assistants are individually authorized to organize, assign and reassign responsibilities within their respective commands or offices, including the establishment and disestablishment of such component organizations as may be necessary, subject to the following:

(a) The authority to disestablish may not be exercised with respect to any organizational component of the Department established by law.

(b) The Secretary retains the authority to approve the establishment and disestablishment of shore activities.

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§ 700.320 The Civilian Executive Assistants.

(a) The Civilian Executive Assistants, as identified in § 700.310, are assigned department-wide responsibilities essential to the efficient administration of the Department of the Navy.

(b) Each Civilian Executive Assistant, within his or her assigned area of responsibility, is the principal civilian

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advisor and assistant to the Secretary on the administration of the affairs of the Department of the Navy. The Civilian Executive Assistants carry out their duties with the professional assistance of the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations and Headquarters, Marine Corps, as presided over by the Chief of Naval Operations and Commandant of the Marine Corps, respectively.

(c) The Civilian Executive Assistants are authorized and directed to act for the Secretary within their assigned areas of responsibility.

§ 700.321 The Under Secretary of the Navy.

(a) The Under Secretary of the Navy shall perform such duties and exercise such powers as the Secretary of the Navy shall prescribe.

(b) The Under Secretary of the Navy is designated as the deputy and principal assistant to the Secretary of the Navy. The Under Secretary of the Navy acts with full authority of the Secretary in the general management of the Department of the Navy and supervision of offices, organizations and functions as assigned by the Secretary.

§ 700.322 Assistant Secretaries of the Navy; statutory authorization.

There are four Assistant Secretaries of the Navy. The Assistant Secretaries shall perform such duties and exercise such powers as the Secretary of the Navy may prescribe in accordance with law.

§ 700.323 The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management).

The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management) is the Comptroller of the Navy, and is responsible for all matters related to the financial management of the Department of the Navy, including:

- (a) Budgeting;
 - (b) Accounting;
 - (c) Disbursing;
 - (d) Financing;
 - (e) Internal review;
 - (f) Progress and statistical reporting;
- and
- (g) Supervision of offices and organizations as assigned by the Secretary of the Navy.

§ 700.324 The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Manpower and Reserve Affairs).

The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) is responsible for:

(a) The overall supervision of manpower and reserve component affairs of the Department of the Navy, including policy and administration of affairs related to military (active and inactive) and civilian personnel; and

(b) Supervision of offices and organizations as assigned by the Secretary, specifically the Naval Council of Personnel Boards and the Board for Correction of Naval Records.

§ 700.325 The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment).

The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment) is responsible for:

(a) Policy relating to Navy installations, facilities, environment, safety, shore resources management and quality improvement;

(b) Development, implementation and evaluation of military construction, facilities management and engineering, strategic homeporting, housing, utilities, and base utilization issues;

(c) Environmental policy, safety, occupational health, and Marine Corps and Navy environmental affairs, including environmental protection, restoration, compliance and legislation, natural resource programs, hazardous material/waste minimization, plastics reduction and control, afloat environmental issues, state and federal agency and environmental organization coordination, and the National Environmental Policy Act; and

(d) Advising on fiscal resources related to shore appropriations.

§ 700.326 The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development and Acquisition).

The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development and Acquisition) is responsible for:

(a) Research, development and acquisition, except for military requirements and operational test and evaluation;