

health care services, except emergency care, through the Designated Provider program.

D. Impact of Demonstration Project on Enrollees and the Department of Defense.

The goal of the Designated Provider demonstration project is to allow retired beneficiaries and their dependents the opportunity to enroll throughout the program year. The evaluation will document the benefits of open enrollment opportunities to covered beneficiaries and the cost impact upon the Department of Defense, as well as a recommendation on whether to authorize open enrollments in the managed care plans of the Designated Providers permanently.

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Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Manual for Courts-Martial

AGENCY: Joint Service Committee on Military Justice (JSC), DOD.

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Amendments to the Manual for Courts-Martial, United States, (1998 ed.) and Notice of Public Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is considering recommending changes to the Manual for Courts-Martial, United States, (1998 ed.) (MCM). The proposed changes concern the rules of procedure applicable in trials by courts-martial and implement the amendment to Article 19 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice contained in section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000. Subject to limitations prescribed by the President, the amendment increased the jurisdictional maximum punishment at special courts-martial to confinement for one year and forfeitures not exceeding two-thirds pay per month for one year, vice the previous six-month jurisdictional limitation. The proposed changes have not been coordinated within the Department of Defense under DoD Directive 5500.1, "Preparation and Processing of Legislation, Executive Orders, Proclamations, and Reports and Comments Thereon," May 21, 1964, and do not constitute the official position of the Department of Defense, the Military

Departments, or any other government agency.

This notice also sets forth the date, time and location for the public meeting of the JSC to discuss the proposed changes.

This notice is provided in accordance with DoD Directive 5500.17, "Role and Responsibilities of the Joint Service Committee (JSC) on Military Justice," May 8, 1996. A 30-day public comment period is set vice the normal 75-day period due to the need to expedite the conforming amendments to 10 U.S.C. 819 (Article 19, UCMJ). This notice is intended only to improve the internal management of the Federal Government. It is not intended to create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law by any party against the United States, its agencies, its officers, or any person.

DATES: Comments on the proposed changes must be received no later than May 4, 2000 for consideration by the JSC. A public meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2000 at 2:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the proposed changes should be sent to Lt Col Thomas C. Jaster, U.S. Air Force, Air Force Legal Services Agency, 112 Luke Avenue, Room 343, Bolling Air Force Base, Washington, DC 20332-8000. The public meeting will be held at Room 808, 1501 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA 22209-2403.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lt Col Thomas C. Jaster, U.S. Air Force, Air Force Legal Services Agency, 112 Luke Avenue, Room 343, Bolling Air Force Base, Washington, DC 20332-8000, (202) 767-1539; FAX (202) 404-8755.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed amendments to the Manual for Courts-Martial are as follows:

Amend R.C.M. 201(f)(2)(B)(i) to read as follows:

"Upon a finding of guilty, special courts-martial may adjudge, under limitations prescribed by this Manual, any punishment authorized under R.C.M. 1003 except death, dishonorable discharge, dismissal, confinement for more than 1 year, hard labor without confinement for more than 3 months, forfeiture of pay exceeding two-thirds pay per month, or any forfeiture of pay for more than 1 year."

Amend R.C.M. 201(f)(2)(B)(ii) to read as follows:

"(ii) A bad-conduct discharge, confinement for more than six months, or forfeiture of pay for more than six months, may not be adjudged by a special court-martial unless:

(a) Counsel qualified under Article 27(b) is detailed to represent the accused; and

(b) A military judge is detailed to the trial, except in a case in which a military judge could not be detailed because of physical conditions or military exigencies. Physical

conditions or military exigencies, as the terms are here used, may exist under rare circumstances, such as on an isolated ship on the high seas or in a unit in an inaccessible area, provided compelling reasons exist why trial must be held at that time and at that place. Mere inconvenience does not constitute a physical condition or military exigency and does not excuse a failure to detail a military judge. If a military judge cannot be detailed because of physical conditions or military exigencies, a bad-conduct discharge, confinement for more than six months, or forfeiture of pay for more than six months, may be adjudged provided the other conditions have been met. In that event, however, the convening authority shall, prior to trial, make a written statement explaining why a military judge could not be obtained. This statement shall be appended to the record of trial and shall set forth in detail the reasons why a military judge could not be detailed, and why the trial had to be held at that time and place."

Amend the analysis accompanying R.C.M. 201(f) by inserting the following before the discussion of subsection (3):

"2000 Amendment: Subsections (f)(2)(B)(i) and (f)(2)(B)(ii) were amended to remove previous limitations and thereby implement the amendment to 10 U.S.C. § 819 (Article 19, UCMJ) contained in section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, P. L. No. 106-65, 113 Stat. 512 (1999). Subject to limitations prescribed by the President, the amendment increased the jurisdictional maximum punishment at special courts-martial to confinement for one year and forfeitures not exceeding two-thirds pay per month for one year, vice the previous six-month jurisdictional limitation."

Amend the seventh paragraph of the Discussion accompanying R.C.M. 601(e)(1) to read as follows:

"The convening authority should acknowledge by an instruction that no bad-conduct discharge, confinement for more than six months, or forfeiture of pay for more than six months, may be adjudged when the prerequisites under Article 19 will not be met. See R.C.M. 201(f)(2)(B)(ii). For example, this instruction should be given when a court reporter is not detailed."

Amend the first paragraph of the Discussion accompanying R.C.M. 808 to read as follows:

"Except in a special court-martial not authorized to adjudge a bad-conduct discharge, confinement for more than six months, or forfeiture of pay for more than six months, the trial counsel should ensure that a qualified court reporter is detailed to the court-martial. Trial counsel should also ensure that all exhibits and other documents relating to the case are properly maintained for later inclusion in the record. See also R.C.M. 1103(j) as to the use of videotapes, audiotapes, and similar recordings for the record of trial. Because of the potential requirement for a verbatim transcript, all proceedings, including sidebar conference, arguments, and rulings and instructions by the military judges, should be recorded."

Amend the sixth paragraph of the Discussion accompanying R.C.M. 1103(b)(2) to read as follows:

“At a special court-martial, if a bad-conduct discharge and confinement are adjudged, then the operation of Article 58b results in a forfeiture of two-thirds of pay only (not allowances) during that period of confinement. If only confinement is adjudged, and that confinement exceeds six months, then the operation of Article 58b results in a forfeiture of two-thirds of pay only (not allowances) during the period of confinement. If only a bad conduct discharge is adjudged, Article 58b has no effect on pay.”

Amend R.C.M. 1103(b)(2)(B)(i) to read as follows:

“(i) Any part of the sentence adjudged exceeds six months confinement, forfeiture of pay greater than two-thirds pay per month, or any forfeiture of pay for more than six months or other punishments which may be adjudged by a special court-martial; or”

Amend the analysis accompanying R.C.M. 1103(b)(2)(B) by inserting the following before the discussion of subsection (2)(C):

“2000 Amendment: Subsection (2)(B) was amended to implement the amendment to 10 U.S.C. § 819 (Article 19, UCMJ) contained in section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, P. L. No. 106–65, 113 Stat. 512 (1999) increasing the jurisdictional maximum punishment at special courts-martial. R.C.M. 1103(b)(2)(B) was amended to prevent an inconsistent requirement for a verbatim transcript between a general court-martial and a special court-martial when the adjudged sentence of a general court-martial does not include a punitive discharge or confinement greater than six months, but does include forfeiture of two-thirds pay per month for more than six months but not more than 12 months.”

Amend R.C.M. 1103(c) to read as follows:

“(c) Special courts-martial.

(1) Involving a bad-conduct discharge, confinement for more than six months, or forfeiture of pay for more than six months. The requirements of subsections (b)(1), (b)(2)(A), (b)(2)(B), (b)(2)(D), and (b)(3) of this rule shall apply in a special court-martial in which a bad-conduct discharge, confinement for more than six months, or forfeiture of pay for more than six months, has been adjudged.

(2) All other special courts-martial. If the special court-martial resulted in findings of guilty but a bad-conduct discharge, confinement for more than six months, or forfeiture of pay for more than six months, was not adjudged, the requirements of subsections (b)(1), (b)(2)(D), and (b)(3)(A)–(F) and (I)–(M) of this rule shall apply.”

Amend the analysis accompanying R.C.M. 1103(c) by inserting the following before the discussion of subsection (e):

“2000 Amendment: Subsection (c) was amended to implement the amendment to 10

U.S.C. § 819 (Article 19, UCMJ) contained in section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, P. L. No. 106–65, 113 Stat. 512 (1999) increasing the jurisdictional maximum punishment at special courts-martial. R.C.M. 1103(c) was amended to conform the requirements of a verbatim transcript with the requirements of Article 19 for a “complete record” in cases where the adjudged sentence includes a bad-conduct discharge, confinement for more than six months, or forfeiture of pay for more than six months.”

Amend R.C.M. 1103(f)(1) to read as follows:

“(1) Approve only so much of the sentence which could be adjudged by a special court-martial, except that no bad-conduct discharge, confinement for more than six months, or forfeiture of two-thirds pay per month for more than six months, may be approved; or”

Amend the analysis accompanying R.C.M. 1103(f) by inserting the following before the discussion of subsection (g):

“2000 Amendment: Subsection (f)(1) was amended to implement the amendment to 10 U.S.C. § 819 (Article 19, UCMJ) contained in section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, P. L. No. 106–65, 113 Stat. 512 (1999) increasing the jurisdictional maximum punishment at special courts-martial. R.C.M. 1103(f)(1) was amended to include the additional limitations on sentence contained in Article 19, UCMJ.”

Amend R.C.M. 1104(a)(2)(A) to read as follows:

“(A) Authentication by the military judge. In special courts-martial in which a bad-conduct discharge, confinement for more than six months, or forfeiture of pay for more than six months, has been adjudged and in general courts-martial, except as provided in subsection (a)(2)(B) of this rule, the military judge present at the end of the proceedings shall authenticate the record of trial, or that portion over which the military judge presided. If more than one military judge presided over the proceedings, each military judge shall authenticate the record of the proceedings over which that military judge presided, except as provided in subsection (a)(2)(B) of this rule. The record of trial of special courts-martial in which no bad-conduct discharge, confinement for more than six months, or forfeiture of pay for more than six months, was adjudged shall be authenticated in accordance with regulations of the Secretary concerned.”

Amend the analysis accompanying R.C.M. 1104(a) by inserting the following before the discussion of subsection (b):

“2000 Amendment: Subsection (a)(2)(A) was amended to implement the amendment to 10 U.S.C. § 819 (Article 19, UCMJ) contained in section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, P. L. No. 106–65, 113 Stat. 512 (1999)

increasing the jurisdictional maximum punishment at special courts-martial. R.C.M. 1104(a)(2)(A) was amended to ensure that the military judge authenticates all verbatim records of trial at special courts-martial.”

Amend R.C.M. 1104(e) to read as follows:

“(e) Forwarding. After every court-martial, including a rehearing and new and other trials, the authenticated record shall be forwarded to the convening authority for initial review and action, provided that in case of a special court-martial in which a bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year was adjudged or a general court-martial, the convening authority shall refer the record to the staff judge advocate or legal officer for recommendation under R.C.M. 1106 before the convening authority takes action.”

Amend the analysis accompanying R.C.M. 1104(e) by inserting the following at the end of the discussion of subsection (e):

“2000 Amendment: Subsection (e) was amended to implement the amendment to 10 U.S.C. § 819 (Article 19, UCMJ) contained in section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, P. L. No. 106–65, 113 Stat. 512 (1999) increasing the jurisdictional maximum punishment at special courts-martial. This amendment reflects the change to R.C.M. 1106 for special court-martial with an adjudged sentence that includes confinement for one year.”

Amend R.C.M. 1106(a) to read as follows:

“(a) In general. Before the convening authority takes action under R.C.M. 1107 on a record of trial by general court-martial or a record of trial by special court-martial which includes a sentence to a bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year, that convening authority’s staff judge advocate or legal officer shall, except as provided in subsection (c) of this rule, forward to the convening authority a recommendation under this rule.”

Amend the analysis accompanying R.C.M. 1106(a) by inserting the following before the discussion of subsection (b):

“2000 Amendment: Subsection (e) was amended to implement the amendment to 10 U.S.C. § 819 (Article 19, UCMJ) contained in section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, P. L. No. 106–65, 113 Stat. 512 (1999) increasing the jurisdictional maximum punishment at special courts-martial. This amendment requires all special courts-martial cases subject to appellate review to comply with this rule.”

Amend the second paragraph of the Discussion accompanying R.C.M. 1107(d)(1) to read as follows:

“When mitigating forfeitures, the duration and amounts of forfeiture may be changed as long as the total amount forfeited is not increased and neither the amount nor

duration of the forfeitures exceeds the jurisdiction of the court-martial. When mitigating confinement or hard labor without confinement, the convening authority should use the equivalencies at R.C.M. 1003(b)(6) and (7), as appropriate. One form of punishment may be changed to a less severe punishment of a different nature, as long as the changed punishment is one that the court-martial could have adjudged. For example, a bad-conduct discharge adjudged by a special court-martial could be changed to confinement for up to one year (but not vice versa). A pretrial agreement may also affect what punishments may be changed by the convening authority”

Amend R.C.M. 1107(d)(4) to read as follows:

“(4) Limitations on sentence based on record of trial. If the record of trial does not meet the requirements of R.C.M. 1103(b)(2)(B) or (c)(1), the convening authority may not approve a sentence in excess of that which may be adjudged by a special court-martial, or one which includes a bad-conduct discharge, confinement for more than six months, forfeiture of pay exceeding two-thirds pay per month, or any forfeiture of pay for more than six months.”

Amend the analysis accompanying R.C.M. 1107(e) by inserting the following at the end of the discussion of subsection (e):

“2000 Amendment: Subsection (f)(1) was amended to implement the amendment to 10 U.S.C. § 819 (Article 19, UCMJ) contained in section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, P. L. No. 106-65, 113 Stat. 512 (1999) increasing the jurisdictional maximum punishment at special courts-martial. R.C.M. 1107(d)(4) was amended to include the additional limitations on sentence contained in Article 19, UCMJ.

Amend R.C.M. 1109(e) and (e)(1) to read as follows:

“(e) Vacation of a suspended special court-martial sentence wherein a bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year was not adjudged.

(1) In general. Before vacating the suspension of a special court-martial punishment that does not include a bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year, the special court-martial convening authority for the command in which the probationer is serving or assigned shall cause a hearing to be held on the alleged violation(s) of the conditions of suspension.”

Amend the analysis accompanying R.C.M. 1109(e) by inserting the following at the end of the discussion of subsection (e):

“2000 Amendment: Subsection (e) was amended to implement the amendment to 10 U.S.C. § 819 (Article 19, UCMJ) contained in section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, P. L. No. 106-65, 113 Stat. 512 (1999) increasing the jurisdictional maximum punishment at special courts-martial.”

Amend R.C.M. 1109(f) and (f)(1) to read as follows:

“(f) Vacation of a suspended special court-martial sentence that includes a bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year.

(1) The procedure for the vacation of a suspended approved bad-conduct discharge or of any suspended portion of an approved sentence to confinement for one year, shall follow that set forth in subsection (d) of this rule.”

Amend the analysis accompanying R.C.M. 1109(f) by inserting the following at the end of the discussion of subsection (f):

“2000 Amendment: (f) Vacation of a suspended special court-martial sentence that includes a bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year. Subsection (f) was amended to implement the amendment to 10 U.S.C. § 819 (Article 19, UCMJ) contained in section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, P. L. No. 106-65, 113 Stat. 512 (1999) increasing the jurisdictional maximum punishment at special courts-martial. This amendment reflects the decision to treat an approved sentence of confinement for one year, regardless of whether any period of confinement is suspended, as a serious offense, in the same manner as a suspended approved bad-conduct discharge at special courts-martial under Article 72, UCMJ and R.C.M. 1109.”

Amend the Discussion accompanying R.C.M. 1109(f) to read as follows:

“An officer exercising special court-martial jurisdiction may vacate any suspended punishments other than an approved suspended bad-conduct discharge or any suspended portion of an approved sentence to confinement for one year, regardless of whether they are contained in the same sentence as the bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year. See Appendix 18 for a sample of a Report of Proceedings to Vacate Suspension of a Special Court-Martial Sentence including a bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year under Article 72, UCMJ, and R.C.M. 1109 (DD Form 455).”

Amend the title to Appendix to read as follows:

“Report of Proceedings to Vacate Suspension of a General Court-Martial or of a Special Court-Martial Sentence Including a Bad-Conduct Discharge or Confinement for One Year Under Article 72, UCMJ, and R.C.M. 1109 (DD Form 455).”

Amend R.C.M. 1110(a) to read as follows:

“(a) In general. After any general court-martial, except one in which the approved sentence includes death, and after any special court-martial in which the approved sentence includes a bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year, the accused may waive or withdraw appellate review.”

Amend the analysis accompanying R.C.M. 1110(a) by inserting the following at the end of the discussion of subsection (a):

“2000 Amendment: Subsection (a) was amended to implement the amendment to 10 U.S.C. § 819 (Article 19, UCMJ) contained in section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, P. L. No. 106-65, 113 Stat. 512 (1999) increasing the jurisdictional maximum punishment at special courts-martial.”

Amend the Discussion accompanying R.C.M. 1110(a) to read as follows:

“Appellate review is not available for special courts-martial in which a bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year was not adjudged or approved or for summary courts-martial. Cases not subject to appellate review, or in which appellate review is waived or withdrawn, are reviewed by a judge advocate under R.C.M. 1112. Such cases may also be submitted to the Judge Advocate General for review. See R.C.M. 1201(b)(3). Appellate review is mandatory when the approved sentence includes death.”

Amend R.C.M. 1111(b) to read as follows:

“(1) Cases including an approved bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year. If the approved sentence of a special court-martial includes a bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year, the record shall be disposed of as provided in subsection (a) of this rule.

(2) Other cases. The record of trial by a special court-martial in which the approved sentence does not include a bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year shall be forwarded directly to a judge advocate for review under R.C.M. 1112. Four copies of the order promulgating the result of trial shall be forwarded with the record of trial, unless otherwise prescribed by regulations of the Secretary concerned.”

Amend the analysis accompanying R.C.M. 1111(b) by inserting the following at the end of the discussion:

“2000 Amendment: R.C.M. 1111(b) was amended to implement the amendment to 10 U.S.C. § 819 (Article 19, UCMJ) contained in section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, P. L. No. 106-65, 113 Stat. 512 (1999) increasing the jurisdictional maximum punishment at special courts-martial. The amendment ensures all special courts-martial not requiring appellate review are reviewed by a judge advocate under R.C.M. 1112.”

Amend R.C.M. 1112(a)(2) to read as follows:

“Each special court-martial in which the accused has waived or withdrawn appellate review under R.C.M. 1110 or in which the approved sentence does not include a bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year; and”

Amend the analysis accompanying R.C.M. 1112 by inserting the following at the end of the discussion:

“2000 Amendment: R.C.M. 1112(a)(2) was amended to implement the amendment to 10 U.S.C. § 819 (Article 19, UCMJ) contained in

section 577 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, P. L. No. 106-65, 113 Stat. 512 (1999) increasing the jurisdictional maximum punishment at

special courts-martial. The amendment ensures all special court-martials not requiring appellate review are reviewed by a judge advocate under R.C.M. 1112.”

Amend Page A8-19, Left Margin Entry to Note 100 to read as follows:

Advice in GCMs and SPCMs in which BCD or confinement for one year is adjudged

[Note 100. In cases subject to review by a Court of Criminal Appeals, the following advice should be given. In other cases proceed to Note 101 or 102 as appropriate.]

Amend Page A8-21, Left Margin Entry to Note 102 to read as follows:

SPCM not involving a BCD or confinement for one year

[Note 102. In special courts-martial not involving BCD or confinement for one year, the following advice should be given.]

Amend Page A17-4, first note to paragraph d, to read as follows:

“[Note. Orders promulgating the vacation of the suspension of a dismissal will be published by departmental orders of the Secretary concerned. Vacations of any other suspension of a general court-martial sentence, or of a special court-martial sentence which as approved and affirmed includes a bad-conduct discharge or confinement for one year, will be promulgated by the officer exercising general court-martial jurisdiction over the probationer (Article 72(b)). The vacation of suspension of any other sentence may be promulgated by an appropriate convening authority under Article 72(c). See R.C.M. 1109.]”

Dated: March 29, 2000.

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about effective educational programs and practices that should be considered by DoDEA; and to perform other tasks as may be required by the Secretary of Defense. The focus of this meeting will be the new DoDEA Community Strategic Plan for 2001-2006, DoDEA organizational changes, and a recap of issues discussed at the October 1999 meeting. These issues include (1) the development of an individual plan for each student in conjunction with counseling on post-school opportunities, (2) coordination of ongoing initiatives within DoDEA, and (3) a review of the best practices in the use of technology in DoDEA. For further information contact Ms. Polly Purser, at 703-696-4235, extension 1911.

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members each with a prominent background and expertise related to security policy matters. General Larry Welch, USAF (Ret.) chairs the Board. Other members include: Rear Admiral Thomas Brooks, USN (Ret.) and Ms. Nina Stewart.

The next meeting of the Advisory Board will be held on April 11, 2000 at 1400 hrs at the Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, Inc., Albert G. Hill Building, 1 Hampshire Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139, The meeting will be open to the public.

For further information please contact Mr. Bill Isaacs, telephone: 703-602-0815.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the Advisory Council on Dependents' Education

AGENCY: Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Advisory Council on Dependents' Education (ACDE) is scheduled to be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 4, 2000. The meeting will be open to the public and will be held in the 9th floor conference room at the Department of Defense Education Activity, 4040 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22203-1635. The purpose of the Council is to recommend to the Director, Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA), general policies for operation of the Defense dependents' education system; to provide the Director with information

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the President's Security Policy Advisory Board Action Notice

SUMMARY: The President's Security Policy Advisory Board has been established pursuant to Presidential Decision Directive/NSC-29, which was signed by President on September 16, 1994.

The Board advises the President on proposed legislative initiatives and executive orders pertaining to U.S. security policy, procedures and practices as developed by the U.S. Security Policy Board, and functions as a federal advisory committee in accordance with the provisions of Pub. L. 92-463, the "Federal Advisory Committee Act."

The President has appointed from the private sector, three of five Board

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DoD.

ACTION: Notice to Add a System of Records.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Secretary proposes to add a system of records notice to its existing inventory of record systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended.

DATES: This proposed action will be effective without further notice on May 4, 2000, unless comments are received which result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to OSD Privacy Act Coordinator, Records Section, Directives and Records Division, Washington Headquarter Services, Correspondence and