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SUBJECT: Directive-type Memorandum (DTM)-15-004 – Integrated DoD Intelligence  
Priorities

References: DoD Directive 5143.01, “Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (USD(I)),”  
October 24, 2014, as amended  
DoD Directive 5205.12, “Military Intelligence Program (MIP),” November 14,  
2008, as amended  
Intelligence Community Directive 204, “National Intelligence Priorities  
Framework,” January 2, 2015  
Public Law 113-66, “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2014,”  
December 26, 2013  
Secretary of Defense Memorandum, “Guidance for the Employment of the Force,”  
current edition<sup>1</sup>

Purpose. This DTM:

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<sup>1</sup> This document is classified and not releasable to the public. Individuals may request access to this document from the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, through their OSD Component heads.

- In accordance with Section 922 of Public Law 113-66 and in accordance with the authority in DoD Directive 5143.01, establishes policy, assigns responsibilities, and provides procedures for internal coordination and prioritization of intelligence priorities of OSD, the Joint Staff, the Combatant Commands (CCMDs), and the Military Departments to improve identification of the intelligence needs of the DoD.
- Is effective September 3, 2015; it will be converted to a new DoD instruction. This DTM will expire effective September 3, 2019.

Applicability. This DTM applies to OSD, the Military Departments, the Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (CJCS) and the Joint Staff, the CCMDs, the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, the Defense Agencies, the DoD Field Activities, and all other organizational entities within the Department of Defense (referred to collectively in this DTM as the “DoD Components”).

Policy. It is DoD policy that the integrated DoD intelligence priorities (IDIP):

- Reflect the priorities of all DoD missions and functions that rely on DoD intelligence (i.e., operations, national security policy, and acquisitions).
- Are grounded in approved national security and DoD strategies.
- Will be used to help identify significant intelligence gaps of OSD, the Joint Staff, the CCMDs, and the Military Departments.
- Leverage the processes and data used by the DoD Components that require DoD intelligence support to establish each of their requested intelligence priorities to the fullest extent possible. This includes leveraging the results of cross-functional and cross-discipline senior governance and steering groups.
- Encompass multiple time horizons of DoD intelligence priorities, capturing intelligence priorities for DoD operations (over the next 1 to 2 years), national security policy (over the next 3 to 5 years), and major systems acquisitions (over the next 10 to 30 years).
- Are independent of the type of resources, which, pursuant to DoD Directive 5205.12, are within either the National Intelligence Program or the Military Intelligence Program, or the sources and methods anticipated to produce intelligence to satisfy the DoD priorities.
- Provide context for, but not supplant, the DoD Intelligence Community elements’ or other DoD Components’ requirements to provide inputs to the National Intelligence Priorities Framework (NIPF) in accordance with Intelligence Community Directive 204. The IDIP informs the NIPF by providing a single, integrated, and consolidated set of DoD intelligence

priorities that incorporates each customer set (i.e., operations, national security policy, and acquisition).

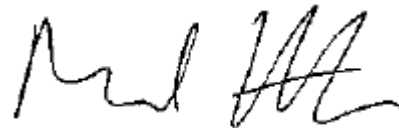
Responsibilities. See Attachment.

Summary of Changes. The changes to this DTM are administrative and update the expiration date and the DoD Issuances Website address.

Procedures

- The IDIP governance structure contains two primary levels:
  - An executive steering group (ESG), chaired by a representative of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (USD(I)), composed of a one- or two-star general officer, flag officer, or civilian equivalent from each of the DoD Components requiring DoD intelligence to satisfy their missions and functions. Using a collaborative approach, the ESG recommends the prioritization of DoD intelligence priorities as a departmental whole while being responsive to needs and priorities of individual DoD intelligence consumers for the performance of their missions and functions.
  - As needed, working groups or task forces to support the ESG in preparing the IDIP. Initial activity at this level is the determination of methods for developing and structuring the IDIP, leveraging DoD intelligence guidance and priorities, and preparing an initial set of inputs to the ESG.
- The results of the ESG's integration and prioritization will be provided to the USD(I) for review and approval.

Releasability. **Cleared for public release.** This DTM is available on the Internet from the DoD Issuances Website at <http://www.esd.whs.mil/DD/>.



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Attachment

ATTACHMENT  
RESPONSIBILITIES

1. USD(I). The USD(I):

- a. Establishes policy and provides oversight on the process for establishing DoD integrated intelligence priorities.
- b. Leverages, to the fullest extent possible, existing efforts to identify DoD intelligence priorities.
- c. Prepares the IDIP on an annual basis. Prepares out-of-cycle updates based on urgent changes in DoD intelligence priorities.
- d. Establishes and provides oversight for a governance structure that guides the integration of DoD intelligence priorities of OSD, the CJCS, the CCMDs, and the Military Departments.
- e. Works with the Office of the Director of National Intelligence to ensure the IDIP complements the NIPF.

2. UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR ACQUISITION, TECHNOLOGY, AND LOGISTICS (USD(AT&L)). The USD(AT&L):

- a. Provides appropriate representation to the IDIP governance structure.
- b. For matters under his or her purview, provides intelligence priorities to the USD(I) for consideration by the ESG, leveraging to the fullest extent possible existing priorities, such as the DoD Science and Technology Intelligence Priorities List.
- c. Works with the USD(I) to determine needed intelligence support for DoD acquisition and determine the prioritization of these needs.

3. UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY (USD(P)). The USD(P):

- a. Provides appropriate representation to the IDIP governance structure.
- b. For matters under his or her purview, provides intelligence priorities to the USD(I) for consideration by the ESG, leveraging to the fullest extent possible existing guidance, such as the Secretary of Defense Memorandum Guidance for the Employment of the Force.

4. CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DoD CIO).

The DoD CIO advises the ESG on priorities related to cybersecurity.

5. CJCS. The CJCS:

a. Provides appropriate representation to the IDIP governance structure.

b. For operational matters under the purview of the Combatant Commanders (CCDRs), provides intelligence priorities to the USD(I) for consideration by the ESG, leveraging to the fullest extent possible existing assessments and plans, such as the Joint Intelligence Estimate and the Joint Strategic Capabilities Plan.

6. CCDRs. The CCDRs:

a. Provide appropriate representation to the IDIP governance structure.

b. For operational matters under the purview of their respective Command, provide intelligence priorities to the CJCS to review for recommended prioritization across the DoD.

GLOSSARY

ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

CCDR	Combatant Commander
CCMD	Combatant Command
CJCS	Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff
DoD CIO	Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense
DTM	Directive-type Memorandum
ESG	executive steering group
IDIP	integrated DoD intelligence priorities
NIPF	National Intelligence Priorities Framework
USD(AT&L)	Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics
USD(I)	Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence
USD(P)	Under Secretary of Defense for Policy