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MEMORANDUM FOR UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR ACQUISITION,
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SUBJECT: Response to Final Report of the Defense Science Board (DSB) Task Force
on Achieving Interoperability in a Net-Centric Environment

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the DSB Task Force's assessment on Achieving Interoperability in a Net-Centric Environment, the Strategic Goals, and the 500-day action plan. This office agrees in principle with the findings and recommendations contained in the report.

However, the DSB TF's work concluded in October 2008 and the landscape has changed and continues to evolve. Given this situation, this organization proposes that the SECDEF direct the ASD(NII)/DoD CIO in collaboration with the VCJCS develop of a Plan of Actions & Milestones using the proposed 500 day as a starting point. The 500-day plan provides an excellent initial roadmap, but needs to be reviewed and adjusted as appropriate. Current or proposed activities, organizations and governance structures need to be rationalized. It is imperative that a solid funding strategy is developed as well as a long term commitment to support it.

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