MEMORANDUM FOR SENIOR PENTAGON LEADERSHIP
COMMANDERS OF THE COMBATANT COMMANDS
DEFENSE AGENCY AND DOD FIELD ACTIVITY DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: Elimination of the Chief Information Security Office in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment and Assignment of Functions to Select Officials

Effective immediately, the Chief Information Security Office in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment (USD(A&S)) and the position of Chief Information Security Officer established pursuant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Acquisition memorandum, “Establishment of the Chief Information Security Office,” July 24, 2019, are disestablished, and that memorandum is cancelled. In addition, the USD(A&S) memorandum, “Responsibilities for the Chief Information Security Officer for Acquisition and Sustainment,” January 20, 2021, is cancelled. Affected personnel will be reassigned as soon as practicable in the same grade and series, or equivalent, and on the same position descriptions to other positions in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, as appropriate. Those personnel will remain in their current physical space pending completion of the Pentagon Occupancy and Space Allocation Study II.

Additionally, I hereby assign responsibility for the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification program and those aspects of DoD’s Supply Chain Risk Management (SCRM) program related to telecommunication infrastructure to the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense (DoD CIO). These responsibilities will augment and align with responsibilities already assigned to, and being performed by, the DoD CIO. The USD(A&S) shall retain responsibility for the following activities:

1) The Strategic Cybersecurity Program established by section 1640 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018, as amended by section 1712(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry NDAA for FY 2021.

2) The SCRM program responsibilities, except those related to telecommunications, to include those associated with title 10, U.S.C., sections 2339a and 2509.

3) The responsibilities for evaluation of cyber vulnerabilities of major weapon systems of the DoD required by section 1647 of the NDAA for FY 2017, as amended by section 1633 of the NDAA for FY 2020 and by section 1712(a) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry NDAA for FY 2021.

The Director of Administration and Management, in coordination with the USD(A&S) and DoD CIO, will take necessary manpower and resource actions and make appropriate updates to Chartering Directives. The USD(A&S) and DoD CIO will ensure that any changes to other
issuances as they relate to these responsibilities are made in accordance with policy on issuances. The point of contact for this memorandum is Mr. Jeff Eanes, who is available at jeffrey.w.eanes.civ@mail.mil or (703) 692-3298.