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Exhibit R-2, RDT&E Budget Item Justification: PB 2024 Office of the Secretary Of Defense **Date:** March 2023

Appropriation/Budget Activity 0400: <i>Research, Development, Test & Evaluation, Defense-Wide I BA 6:</i> <i>RDT&E Management Support</i>	R-1 Program Element (Number/Name) PE 0303260D8Z / <i>Defense Military Deception Program Office (DMDPO)</i>
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COST (\$ in Millions)	Prior Years	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024 Base	FY 2024 OCO	FY 2024 Total	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	Cost To Complete	Total Cost
Total Program Element	0.984	0.825	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.809
891: <i>Defense Military Deception Program</i>	0.984	0.825	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.809
Quantity of RDT&E Articles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		

Note

New Start (Y/N): No

A. Mission Description and Budget Item Justification

This program supports the Department's initiatives to Deter Aggression, Defend the Homeland, and Build Sustainable and Long-Term Advantage.

The Sensitive Messaging and Operations in the Information Environment (SM&OIE) RDT&E program, which was repurposed out of the prior Defense Military Deception Program Office, brings value to the Defense Intelligence Enterprise by investing in new ideas and technologies to support growing Department-wide SM&OIE activities. The SM&OIE RDT&E program enhances acquisition and mission execution by helping transition new technologies, fund studies, conduct analyses of alternatives, develop product improvement efforts, and provide funding for SM&OIE innovation efforts. The program pursues projects that provide incremental improvements as well as those with the greatest potential to strategically transform DoD SM&OIE, with a primary focus on closing capabilities gaps. Program supports growing interest in SM&OIE from the Executive Office of the President, Congress, the National Security Council, and the National Intelligence Council.

B. Program Change Summary (\$ in Millions)	<u>FY 2022</u>	<u>FY 2023</u>	<u>FY 2024 Base</u>	<u>FY 2024 OCO</u>	<u>FY 2024 Total</u>
Previous President's Budget	0.850	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Current President's Budget	0.825	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Total Adjustments	-0.025	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
• Congressional General Reductions	-	-			
• Congressional Directed Reductions	-	-			
• Congressional Rescissions	-	-			
• Congressional Adds	-	-			
• Congressional Directed Transfers	-	-			
• Reprogrammings	-	-			
• SBIR/STTR Transfer	-0.025	-			

Change Summary Explanation

Funds were transferred to Operation and Maintenance for sustainment tasks.

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C. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Title: Defense Military Deception Program Office Description: The Sensitive Messaging and Operations in the Information Environment (SM&OIE) RDT&E program, repurposed out of the prior Defense Military Deception Program Office, brings value to the Defense Intelligence Enterprise by investing in new ideas and technologies to support growing Department-wide SM&OIE activities. The SM&OIE RDT&E program enhances acquisition and mission execution by helping transition new technologies, fund studies, conduct analyses of alternatives, develop product improvement efforts, and provide funding for SM&OIE innovation efforts. The program pursues projects that provide incremental improvements as well as those with the greatest potential to strategically transform DoD SM&OIE, with a primary focus on closing capabilities gaps. Program supports growing interest in SM&OIE from the Executive Office of the President, Congress, the National Security Council, and the National Intelligence Council. FY 2023 Plans: N/A FY 2024 Plans: N/A FY 2023 to FY 2024 Increase/Decrease Statement: N/A	0.825	0.000	0.000
Accomplishments/Planned Programs Subtotals	0.825	0.000	0.000

D. Other Program Funding Summary (\$ in Millions)											
<u>Line Item</u>	<u>FY 2022</u>	<u>FY 2023</u>	<u>FY 2024</u> <u>Base</u>	<u>FY 2024</u> <u>OCO</u>	<u>FY 2024</u> <u>Total</u>	<u>FY 2025</u>	<u>FY 2026</u>	<u>FY 2027</u>	<u>FY 2028</u>	<u>Cost To</u> <u>Complete</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
• 0303260D8Z O&M DW: <i>Defense Military Deception Program Office</i>	0.520	0.545	0.817	0.000	0.817	0.842	0.870	0.887	0.905	Continuing	Continuing

Remarks

E. Acquisition Strategy
 The acquisition, management, and contracting strategy involves the following:

- Adhere to guidance outlined in DoD 5000, Directive 7, Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR), and FAR Supplement Policies and Procedures.
- Acquire and sustain SM&OIE capabilities, systems, tools, products, and services through a disciplined, yet agile, process that ensures information related capabilities are available for DoD components.
- Sustain an acquisition process that is responsive and responsible to internal and external customers and stakeholders.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continue to support the warfighter's need for capabilities that dominate today's dynamic, networked battlespace by providing governance, oversight, and strategy across the DoD for the planning and execution of SM&OIE activities.		