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**Exhibit R-2, RDT&E Budget Item Justification:** PB 2025 Office of the Secretary Of Defense **Date:** March 2024

<b>Appropriation/Budget Activity</b> 0400: <i>Research, Development, Test &amp; Evaluation, Defense-Wide / BA 6: RDT&amp;E Management Support</i>	<b>R-1 Program Element (Number/Name)</b> PE 0605200D8Z / <i>General Support to OUSD(Intelligence and Security)</i>
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COST (\$ in Millions)	Prior Years	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025 Base	FY 2025 OCO	FY 2025 Total	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	Cost To Complete	Total Cost
Total Program Element	10.451	16.112	2.980	3.155	-	3.155	3.478	3.545	3.814	3.890	Continuing	Continuing
200: <i>General Support to USDI</i>	10.451	16.112	2.980	3.155	-	3.155	3.478	3.545	3.814	3.890	Continuing	Continuing

**Note**

New Start (Y/N): No

**A. Mission Description and Budget Item Justification**

This program supports the Department's initiatives to Defend the Homeland, Build Sustainable and Long-Term Advantage, and Taking Care of People. The program is required to fund I&S innovation capabilities and RDT&E analysis & assessments that enable our oversight responsibilities. Some initiatives span multiple fiscal years, whereas some are one-time initiatives.

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Global Operations and Integration (GOI) requires expert engineering and technical assessments on a wide range of classified ISR capabilities that directly support National Defense Strategy (NDS) priorities. Develops and sustains technical knowledge while cultivating relationships within the special ISR capabilities community, including the InterAgency, necessary to inform DoD-level policy decisions and oversight and enable successful implementation in accordance with 2022 NDS priorities and objectives. In addition, senior-level education is provided for a better understanding to make informed decisions on ISR operations related initiatives, platforms, sensors, and force structure. Establishes and assesses oversight of the DoD ISR enterprise. Evaluates ISR enterprise performance and effectiveness in terms of strategic sufficiency and alignment to the NDS and monitor allied and partner ISR contributions. Provides expertise on matters of technical collection and operational employment. Provides ISR guidance, counsel, and options to national leaders on improving the near-term efficiency and effectiveness of ISR capabilities by spearheading the expedited delivery of ISR systems, technologies, policies, and processes in support of warfighter operations around the globe. This PE also supports the NDS line of effort to build a more lethal force by conducting research and evaluation of global ISR topics to modernize key capabilities, the NDS defense objective of establishing an unmatched twenty-first century National Security Innovation Base that effectively supports Department operations and sustains security and solvency, and the NDS strategic approach of reforming the Department's business processes by simultaneously increasing performance and affordability while still minimizing risk.

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<b>B. Program Change Summary (\$ in Millions)</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>	<b>FY 2025 Base</b>	<b>FY 2025 OCO</b>	<b>FY 2025 Total</b>
Previous President's Budget	11.112	2.980	3.180	-	3.180
Current President's Budget	16.112	2.980	3.155	-	3.155
Total Adjustments	5.000	0.000	-0.025	-	-0.025
• Congressional General Reductions	-	-			
• Congressional Directed Reductions	-	-			
• Congressional Rescissions	-	-			
• Congressional Adds	-	-			
• Congressional Directed Transfers	-	-			
• Reprogrammings	5.000	-			
• SBIR/STTR Transfer	-	-			
• Department Adjustment	-	-	-0.025	-	-0.025

**Change Summary Explanation**

No significant change.

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Quantity of RDT&E Articles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		

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**B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)**

	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
<b>Title:</b> General Spt to USDI	16.112	2.980	3.155
<b>Description:</b> Funding supports multiple security research activities focused on technology development, automation, and modernization of capabilities across the Defense Security Enterprise, including Personnel Vetting, Physical Security, Industrial Security, and Critical Technology Protection. Activities also include proof of concept and application development related to enabling process improvement, efficiencies, and innovation.			
In FY 2023, OUSD(I&S) initiated a project focused on modernizing and digitizing the management and protection of classified information. Investments include the development of artificial intelligence (AI) and Natural Language Processing (NLP) capabilities, implementation and acquisition strategy for tools and solutions that can modernize oversight and declassification across the DoD, and assessment, evaluation, and user studies to identify specific declassification solution/capability needs in DoD.			
OUSD(I&S) initiated the Reimagining Polygraph project to identify, develop, and enhance technologies in support of credibility			

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<p>assessments (CA); design tradecraft for the effective and objective use of these technologies; and provide a viable path forward to integrate and deploy these technologies in support of the DoD mission.</p> <p>GOI requires expert engineering and technical assessments on a wide range of classified ISR operational capabilities that directly support NDS priorities. In addition, senior-level education is provided for a better understanding to make informed decisions on ISR operations related initiatives, platforms, sensors, and force structure.</p> <p><b>FY 2024 Plans:</b> Security Activities will continue to provide technology development and concept evaluation for applications in support of OUSD(I&amp;S).</p> <p>New research projects are being initiated to support research into the security and intelligence implications and applications of classified cloud computing and cloud-based technologies and the use of DoD grant data to support research protection efforts.</p> <p>OUSD(I&amp;S) will continue efforts focused on declassification and reimagining polygraph.</p> <p>GOI will continue to provide expert engineering and technical assessments on a wide range of classified ISR operational capabilities that directly support NDS priorities. Funds will support senior-level education and understanding to inform decisions on ISR operations related initiatives, platforms, sensors, and force structure.</p> <p><b>FY 2025 Plans:</b> Security Activities will continue to provide technology development and concept evaluation for applications in support of OUSD(I&amp;S).</p> <p>New research projects are being initiated to support research into the security and intelligence implications and applications of classified cloud computing and cloud-based technologies and the use of DoD grant data to support research protection efforts.</p> <p>OUSD(I&amp;S) will continue efforts focused on declassification and reimagining polygraph.</p> <p>GOI will continue to provide expert engineering and technical assessments on a wide range of classified ISR operational capabilities that directly support NDS priorities. Funds will support senior-level education and understanding to inform decisions on ISR operations related initiatives, platforms, sensors, and force structure</p> <p><b>FY 2024 to FY 2025 Increase/Decrease Statement:</b></p>			
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<b>B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>
No significant change.			
<b>Accomplishments/Planned Programs Subtotals</b>	16.112	2.980	3.155

**C. Other Program Funding Summary (\$ in Millions)**

N/A

**Remarks**

**D. Acquisition Strategy**

The contracting strategy follows guidance outlined in the DoD 5000 series directives, Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR), and Defense Federal Acquisition Regulations (DFAR).