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Department of Defense Directive

SUBJECT Responsibilities for Military Troop Construction Support of the Department of the Air Force Overseas

Reference: (a) DoD Directive 1315.6, "Responsibilities for Military Troop Construction Support of the Department of the Air Force Overseas," February 5, 1957 (hereby canceled)

A. REISSUANCE AND PURPOSE

This Directive reissues reference (a) to bring it in line with current DoD policies, procedures, and requirements; and establishes responsibility for military troop construction support of the Department of the Air Force overseas.

B. APPLICABILITY

The provisions of this Directive apply to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Departments of the Army and the Air Force, and the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

C. POLICY

It is the intent of Congress, and the policy of the Department of Defense, that common services required by two or more of the Military Departments shall be provided on a unified basis whenever this can be done at a savings to the Government and without detriment to the performance of operational missions. It is also the policy of the Department of Defense to make maximum use of host nation resources to support U.S. forces overseas. The policies set forth in this Directive are intended to preclude redundancy and foster effective and efficient use of available manpower.

D. RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The Secretaries of the Army and the Air Force shall, at least annually, jointly review the contingency/wartime requirement for military troop construction/engineering support of the Air Force overseas. Each Secretary shall develop a force structure to meet that requirement, fully considering the potential contribution of host nation support, in accordance with the responsibilities described below. Each Secretary shall program, budget, and fund for his own units.

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2. The Secretary of the Army shall provide (a) military troop construction support to the Air Force overseas and (b) ensure that the units needed are equipped, manned, and trained at the level required to support the Air Force. The support specifically includes:

- a. Assistance to the Air Force in emergency repair of war damaged air bases when that requirement exceeds the Air Force organic capability.
- b. Repair/restoration of war damage to air bases beyond emergency repair.
- c. Assistance to the Air Force in force beddown when that requirement exceeds the Air Force organic capability.
- d. Development of bases, to include the acquisition, improvement, replacement, construction, and/or expansion of terrain and facilities for support of the Air Force.
- e. Construction management of repair/restoration of war damage and base development, including the direction and control of Army units and personnel, within priorities established by the Air Base commander.

3. The Secretary of the Air Force shall provide military troop engineer support within organic Service resources for the following missions:

- a. Emergency repair of war damage to air bases.
- b. Force beddown of Air Force units and weapon systems, excluding Army base development responsibilities.
- c. Operations and maintenance of Air Force facilities and installations.
- d. Crash rescue and fire suppression.
- e. Construction management of emergency repair of war damage and force beddown.

4. The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall:

- a. Develop accurate, time-phased construction force requirements for each war and contingency plan which involves deployment or redeployment of military forces, fully considering the potential contribution of host nation resources.

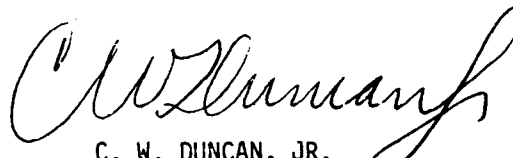
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b. Consolidate and validate all construction requirements as operations plans are reviewed.

5. The Secretaries of the Army and Air Force jointly shall refer matters which cannot be resolved in the execution of this Directive to the Secretary of Defense.

E. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

This Directive is effective immediately. Forward one copy of the implementing document to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Program Analysis and Evaluation) within 120 days.


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