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- References:
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 - (b) Deputy Secretary of Defense Memorandum, "Support of Civil Authorities in Airplane Hijacking Emergencies," July 29, 1972 (hereby canceled)
 - (c) AR 385-70/AFR 55-13/OPNAVINST 3710.18B, "Unmanned Free Balloons and Kites, and Unmanned Rockets," December 13, 1965 (hereby canceled)
 - (d) DoD Directive S-5210.36, "Provision of DoD Sensitive Support to DoD Components and Other Departments and Agencies of the U.S. Government," June 10, 1986
 - (e) through (q), see enclosure 1

A. PURPOSE

This Directive:

1. Establishes DoD policy and assigns responsibilities for providing military assistance to civil authorities.
2. Supersedes reference (a).
3. Cancels references (b) and (c).

B. APPLICABILITY AND SCOPE

This Directive:

1. Applies to the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD), the Military Departments, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Combatant Commands, the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, the Defense Agencies, and the DoD Field Activities (hereafter referred to collectively as "the DoD Components"). The term "Military Services," as used herein, refers to the Army, the Navy, the Air Force, the Marine Corps, and the Coast Guard (when it is operating, or planning for operations, as a Service in the Navy).
2. Governs all DoD military assistance provided to civil authorities within the 50 States, District of Columbia, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, U.S. possessions and territories, or any political subdivision thereof, including sensitive support requests under reference (d), civil disturbances under DoD Directive 3025.12, protection of key assets under DoD Directive 5160.54, DoD responses to civil emergencies under DoD Directive 3025.1, acts or threats of terrorism under DoD Directive 2000.12, and requests for aid to civil law enforcement authorities under DoD Directive 5525.5 (references (e) through (i)).

3. Does not apply to military service community affairs programs or innovative readiness training (formerly called "civil-military cooperative action programs").

4. Does not apply to the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, the Defense Criminal Investigative Service, or the military criminal investigative organizations (MCIOS) when they are conducting joint investigations with civil law enforcement agencies of matters within their respective jurisdictions, using their own forces and equipment. Support by other components of the Department to such joint investigations is covered by this Directive.

C. DEFINITIONS

Definitions used in this Directive are defined in enclosure 2.

D. POLICY

It is DoD policy that:

1. The Department of Defense shall cooperate with and provide military assistance to civil authorities as directed by and consistent with applicable law, Presidential Directives, Executive Orders, and this Directive.

2. All requests by civil authorities for DoD military assistance shall be evaluated by DoD approval authorities against the following criteria:

- a. Legality (compliance with laws).
- b. Lethality (potential use of lethal force by or against DoD forces).
- c. Risk (safety of DoD forces).
- d. Cost (who pays, impact on DoD budget).
- e. Appropriateness (whether the requested mission is in the interest of the Department to conduct).
- f. Readiness (impact on the DoD's ability to perform its primary mission).

3. The Secretary of the Army is approval authority for emergency support in response to natural or man-made disasters, as specified by this Directive.

4. The Secretary of Defense retains approval authority for support to civil authorities involving: use of Commander in Chief (CINC)-assigned forces (personnel, units, and equipment) when required under subsection D.5., below; DoD support to civil disturbances; DoD responses to acts of terrorism; and DoD support that will result in a planned event with the potential for confrontation with specifically identified individuals and/or groups or will result in the use of lethal force. Nothing in this Directive prevents a commander from exercising his or her immediate emergency response authority as outlined in DoD Directive 3025.1 (reference (g)).

5. With the exception of immediate responses under imminently serious conditions, as provided in paragraph D.7.a., below, any support that requires the deployment of forces or equipment assigned to a Combatant Command by Secretary of Defense Memorandum (reference (j)), must be coordinated with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The Chairman shall evaluate each request to use Combatant Command forces or equipment to determine if there is

a significant issue requiring Secretary of Defense approval. Orders providing assistance to civil authorities that are approved by the Secretary of Defense involving the use of Combatant Command forces or equipment shall be issued through the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Upon Secretary of Defense approval, the Secretary of the Army, when designated "the DoD Executive Agent," shall implement and oversee DoD support in accordance with such approved orders.

6. This Directive does not address non-Federalized National Guard assets in support of local and/or State civil agencies approved by the Governor. However, there exists potential for such deployments to result in confrontation, use of lethal force, or national media attention. Therefore, the Director of Military Support (DOMS) shall keep the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Secretary of Defense informed of such support.

7. Requests for military assistance should be made and approved in the following ways:

a. Immediate Response. Requests for an immediate response (i.e., any form of immediate action taken by a DoD Component or military commander to save lives, prevent human suffering, or mitigate great property damage under imminently serious conditions) may be made to any Component or Command. The DoD Components that receive verbal requests from civil authorities for support in an exigent emergency may initiate informal planning and, if required, immediately respond as authorized in DoD Directive 3025.1 (reference (g)). Civil authorities shall be informed that verbal requests for support in an emergency must be followed by a written request. As soon as practical, the Component or Command rendering assistance shall report the fact of the request, the nature of the response, and any other pertinent information through the chain of command to the DoD Executive Secretary, who shall notify the Secretary of Defense, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and any other appropriate officials. If the report does not include a copy of the civil authorities' written request, that request shall be forwarded to the DoD Executive Secretary as soon as it is available.

b. Loans of Equipment, Facilities, or Personnel to Law Enforcement. Requests for loans of equipment, facilities, or personnel made by law enforcement agencies, including the Coast Guard when not acting as part of the Navy, other than requests made under paragraph D.7.a., above, shall be made and approved in accordance with DoD Directive 5525.5 (reference (i)), but at a level no lower than a flag or general officer, or equivalent civilian, with the following exceptions:

(1) The Secretary of Defense is the approval authority for any requests for potentially lethal support (i.e., lethal to the public, a member of law enforcement, or a Service member) made by law enforcement agencies. Lethal support includes: loans of arms; combat and tactical vehicles, vessels or aircraft; or ammunition. It also includes: all requests for support under 10 U.S.C. 382 and 18 U.S.C. 831 (references (k) and (l)); all support to counterterrorism operations; and all support to law enforcement when there is a potential for confrontation between law enforcement and specifically identified civilian individuals or groups.

(2) The Secretary of Defense is the approval authority for all assistance with the potential for confrontation between Department personnel and civilian individuals or groups.

(3) If a DoD Component has a question on the appropriateness or legality of providing requested support, such requests shall be forwarded to the Secretary of Defense for review and approval.

(4) Orders approved by the Secretary of Defense under this paragraph shall be processed, as prescribed in paragraph D.7.c.(5), below.

c. Support for Civil Disasters

(1) When the Department of Defense is called upon to respond to civil emergencies (i.e., natural or man-made disasters) other than terrorism, and subject to subsection D.5., above, the Secretary of the Army, as the DoD Executive Agent for the Secretary of Defense, is the approval authority for emergency support, as provided in DoD Directive 3025.1 (reference (g)).

(2) A request for civil disaster support shall be made to the DOMS.

(3) The DOMS, in coordination with the Director of Operations of the Joint Staff, shall review a support request to determine recommended courses of action that may be taken in response to the request. If approval of the Secretary of Defense is not required under subsection D.5. or paragraph D.7.b., above, or because support can be met by the Military Services or Defense Agency assets, DOMS shall submit the request for assistance, with recommended execute orders, to the Secretary of the Army for approval and subsequent tasking of the appropriate DoD Components, in accordance with DoD Directive 3025.1 (reference (g)). If based on initial coordination with the Director of Operations, Joint Staff, Secretary of Defense approval is required (as provided in subsection D.5., above), DOMS shall develop and staff recommended execute orders and obtain concurrences or comments from appropriate DoD offices and the Secretary of the Army before forwarding the request, through the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to the Secretary of Defense for approval.

(4) Requests for loans of equipment, facilities, or personnel by law enforcement agencies shall be processed under paragraph D.7.b., above.

(5) All orders approved by the Secretary of Defense shall be issued by DOMS upon the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff verification of such approval, and all orders approved by the Secretary of the Army acting as Executive Agent for the Secretary of Defense shall be issued through the DOMS to the appropriate DoD Component for execution, in accordance with DoD Directive 3025.1 (reference (g)). Such orders shall provide for post-deployment management of the Department's response by the Secretary of the Army, as the DoD Executive Agent for the Secretary of Defense.

d. Support for Domestic Civil Disturbances. The employment of active duty military forces in domestic civil disturbances may be requested only by the President or Attorney General and authorized only by the President. When requested by the Attorney General and approved by the Secretary of Defense or when authorized by the President, the Secretary of Defense shall employ active federal military forces under rules of engagement approved by General Counsel of the Department of Defense (GC, DoD) and the Attorney General. The Secretary of the Army, as Executive Agent for the Secretary of Defense, and with the advice and assistance of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the DOMS, shall direct the required DoD assistance, in accordance with DoD Directive 3025.12 (reference (e)), DoD Directive 5160.54 (reference (f)), and DoD Directive 3025.1 (reference (g)), unless otherwise directed by the Secretary of Defense. The Secretary of the Army, in coordination with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, shall at all times maintain contingency plans, with rules of engagement approved by the Department of Justice, for use in civil disturbance situations.

e. Support for Domestic Counterterrorism Operations. The employment of U.S. military forces in response to acts or threats of domestic terrorism may be requested only by the President (or in accordance with Presidential Decision Directives) and must be authorized by the President. All requests for assistance in responding to acts or threats of domestic terrorism must also be approved by the Secretary of Defense.

(1) Informal action on counterterrorist support requests shall normally be requested by contacting the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict (ASD(SO/LIC)), who shall review such requests or actions from a policy perspective. Following the policy review, the informal request will be passed to the Joint Staff for operational analysis. Any requests requiring consequence management preparation shall be coordinated between the Joint Staff and DOMS staff.

(2) When a formal or informal request for support is made, or the ASD(SO/LIC) determines that such a request is imminent, the ASD(SO/LIC) shall establish a Crisis Coordination Group (consisting of, at a minimum, representatives from the Office of the ASD(SO/LIC), Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) (USD(C)), Department of the Army, Joint Staff, and the office of the GC,DoD, to coordinate and integrate all aspects of the DoD response actions. Before submission of a request to the Secretary of Defense for approval, all crisis management requests shall be coordinated by the ASD(SO/LIC) with the GC,DoD and the USD(C), and shall be submitted to the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy (USD(P)) for a policy review.

(3) The Secretary of Defense shall manage the DoD's response to any acts or threats of terrorism.

(4) The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall assist the Secretary of Defense when he or she is implementing the DoD operational response to acts or threats of terrorism. The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall at all times maintain contingency plans for use in counterterrorism situations.

(5) The Secretary of the Army, as the DoD Executive Agent of the Secretary of Defense for civil emergencies, shall direct and execute DoD consequence management assistance, in accordance with DoD Directive 3025.1 (reference (g)) and applicable Presidential Decision Directives, unless otherwise directed by the Secretary of Defense. The Secretary of the Army shall be assisted by the DOMS.

f. Sensitive Support Operations. Requests for sensitive support to civil authorities shall be governed by DoD Directive S-5210.36 (reference (d)).

g. Counterdrug Operational Support. Counterdrug operational support is not covered by this Directive.

8. Requests for any support that may require the approval of the Secretary of Defense shall be made in writing to the DoD Executive Secretary. Exceptions to this general rule are, as follows:

a. Requests made by the Federal Emergency Management Agency for disaster support (other than support required by a response to a terrorist event) shall be made to the DOMS, who shall promptly notify the Executive Secretary.

b. Requests for sensitive support shall be made in accordance with DoD Directive S-5210.36 (reference (d)).

c. Requests for immediate support under imminently serious conditions made under paragraph D.7.a., above, may be made to the nearest DoD Component or military commander. Verbal requests shall be reduced to writing, and the DoD Component or military commander who approved the support shall forward that request to the DoD Executive Secretary of the Department of Defense as soon as possible after receipt.

9. Requests for support that are received by a DoD Component, other than the approval authority specified in section D., above, shall be promptly forwarded by the receiving DoD Component to the approval authority or, if the approval authority cannot be determined, to the DoD Executive Secretary of the Department of Defense.

10. All requests for support from other Federal Agencies must be in writing. Each request for nonreimbursable support must provide a legal and factual justification for a waiver of reimbursement. All other requests must be accompanied by a fund citation pursuant to the "Economy Act" (reference (m)) or other reimbursement mechanism.

11. All requests for nonreimbursable support made by another Federal Agency must be approved by the Secretary of Defense. Upon receipt of such a request, the DoD Executive Secretary shall notify the Secretary of Defense and shall also forward copies to the USD(P), the USD(C), and the GC, DoD.

12. All requests for support from State and local agencies must be in writing. Each request for nonreimbursable support must provide a legal and factual justification for a waiver of reimbursement. All other requests must be accompanied by a statement that reimbursement will be made. Requests for nonreimbursable support made by state or local civil authorities shall be approved as provided in DoD Directive 5525.5 (reference (i)).

E. RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The Under Secretary of Defense for Policy shall:

a. Develop, coordinate, and oversee the implementation of policy for DoD assistance to civil authorities; and, in coordination with the GC, DoD, shall ensure that such assistance is in compliance with applicable law, Presidential Directives, Executive Orders, and DoD Directives and CONPLANS and/or functional plans.

b. Ensure that the Deputy to the USD(P) for Policy Support shall:

(1) Provide policy oversight for DoD responses to civil disturbances and civil emergencies pursuant to DoD Directive 5160.54 (reference (f)) and DoD Directive 3025.1 (reference (g)), respectively.

(2) Coordinate with the ASD(SO/LIC) on matters covered by paragraph E.1.c.(1), below, as appropriate.

c. Ensure that the ASD(SO/LIC) shall:

(1) Exercise policy oversight for and make recommendations on the use of U.S. counterterrorism special mission units, pursuant to DoD Directive 3025.12 (reference (e)).

(2) Serve as the primary informal DoD entry point and coordination and policy review office for all actions dealing with counterterrorism crisis management, to include DoD responses to terrorism incidents, including weapons of mass destruction (WMD).

(3) Serve as the DoD coordination and policy review office for all actions dealing with domestic civil authorities on matters that involve combating terrorism.

2. The Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness shall:

a. In coordination with the GC, DoD, develop, coordinate, and oversee the implementation of policy for all DoD noncounterdrug support to civil law enforcement authorities in accordance with DoD Directive 5525.5 (reference (i)) and as prescribed herein.

b. Coordinate long-range policies and procedures that govern the provision of nonemergency, noncounterdrug support to civilian law enforcement agencies or authorities in order to further DoD cooperation with public safety agencies under reference (i).

3. The Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) shall issue guidance for the funding of all DoD training and exercises involving DoD support to civil authorities, and shall designate the appropriate DoD office and/or command to consolidate DoD costs associated with DoD responses under the provisions of this and supporting DoD Directives.

4. The General Counsel of the Department of Defense shall coordinate with and advise the USD(P), the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD(P&R)), the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and other DoD officials, as appropriate, to ensure DoD military assistance to civil authorities is consistent with applicable law, Presidential Directives, Executive Orders, and DoD Directives.

5. The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology shall ensure that the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Nuclear and Chemical and Biological Defense Programs shall:

a. Serve as the technological advisor to the Secretary of Defense, OSD Principal Staff Assistants, and the Secretary of the Army when designated as the DoD Executive Agent, on radiological accidents and WMD incidents, and terrorist incidents involving chemical and biological agents; system characteristics, composition, and safety features; interdepartmental technical responsibilities and the Federal radiological emergency response system; and technical capabilities of the various Federal response elements.

b. Ensure that all technological support provided under the Joint Chemical and/or Biological Defense Program and by the Defense Special Weapons Agency is coordinated with responsible Federal consequence and crisis management agencies and the GC, DoD, and is in compliance with applicable law, Presidential Directives, Executive Orders, and DoD Directives and CONPLANS and/or functional plans.

6. The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence, shall exercise policy oversight and provide coordination or recommendations concerning the use of DoD intelligence, information systems, and telecommunications assets in response to requests for assistance from civil authorities.

7. The DoD Executive Secretary shall be the principal OSD official responsible for keeping the Secretary of Defense and cognizant senior OSD officials informed of emergency and routine DoD military assistance requests from civil authorities, and shall be the DoD office of record for all such assistance, to include all relevant memoranda of understanding or agreement negotiated between the DoD Components and any external agency under DoD

Instruction 4000.19 (reference (n)). The DoD Executive Secretary shall establish specific procedures to carry out those responsibilities.

8. The Secretary of the Army shall:

a. Serve as DoD Executive Agent and act for the Secretary of Defense for the development of planning guidance, implementation, and procedures as delineated in DoD Directives 3025.12, 3025.1 (references (e) and (g)), and this Directive. In the event Combatant Command-assigned forces or equipment are not required, the Secretary of the Army, as the DoD Executive Agent, may task the DoD Components directly to provide support. For requests of forces assigned to the Combatant Commands, DOMS, as directed by the DoD Executive Agent, shall develop an execute order for submission through the Joint Staff to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to the Secretary of Defense, if required under subsection D.5. or paragraph D.7.b., above, for approval. Upon such approval, the Secretary of the Army shall direct and implement DoD support, in accordance with such approved orders.

b. Maintain a dedicated staff, established under the DOMS, to assist in carrying out assigned DoD Executive Agent responsibilities for responding to any of the following: civil disturbances, and civil emergencies, including disasters resulting from terrorism incidents involving WMD. Identify, in coordination with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, full time positions in the DOMS staff that are designated joint critical and necessary augmentation from the Joint Staff to reinforce the DOMS staff in the event such is needed during a crisis.

c. When forces assigned to the Combatant Commands are required for responses to civil disturbances and civil emergencies (natural or man-made disasters), provide, through the DOMS, to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff all initial orders and subsequent orders modifying the forces required or rules of engagement to determine if Secretary of Defense approval is required under subsection D.5. or paragraph D.7.b., above. After approval by either the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of the Army, direct and implement such orders. Nothing in this Directive shall prevent a commander from exercising his or her immediate emergency response authority, as outlined in reference (g).

d. Approve the deployment and employment of Military Department, Defense Agency, and DoD Field Activity resources, and transmit appropriate orders directing such deployment and employment in DoD responses to natural or man-made disasters that do not include forces assigned to the Combatant Commands.

e. Assist the Secretary of Defense as the DoD Executive Agent for civil emergencies (disaster consequence management) during the consequence management phase of terrorist incidents.

9. The Secretaries of the Military Departments shall:

a. Provide military support to civil authorities, in accordance with this Directive.

b. Ensure internal compliance with the approval authorities and execution procedures contained in this Directive when providing military assistance to civil law enforcement authorities.

c. Inform the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the USD(P&R) of any military support provided to civil authorities that affects readiness of military forces.

d. Ensure that all technological support provided to civil authorities is coordinated with responsible DoD offices of primary responsibility within OSD.

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

a. Advise the Secretary of Defense on operational policies, responsibilities, and programs on the provision of military assistance to civil authorities.

b. Review all requests or proposals for DoD military assistance to civil authorities that involve the operational deployment and employment of forces (personnel and equipment), assigned to the Combatant Commands, as defined in Secretary of Defense Memorandum (reference (j)).

c. Forward, if required under subsection D.5. or paragraph D.7.b., above, for Secretary of Defense approval, all requests for support, operational deployment and execution orders for the deployment and employment of forces assigned to the Combatant Commands to assist civil authorities.

d. Assist the Secretary of Defense when he or she is implementing DoD operational responses to threats or acts of terrorism.

e. Coordinate with the GC, DoD, and the USD(P) to ensure that DoD operational procedures for responding to threats or acts of terrorism comply with applicable law, Presidential Directives, Executive Orders, this Directive and other DoD guidance.

f. Assist the Secretary of the Army, in his or her DoD Executive Agent responsibilities for civil disturbance and disaster support and management, in developing planning guidance for providing military assistance to civil authorities under all conditions of war or attacks on the United States or its territories. Facilitate communications on such matters with the Commanders of the Combatant Commands, as appropriate; such communications will normally be transmitted through the DOMS, unless the Secretary of Defense directs otherwise.

g. To the extent feasible, ensure that the plans and operations for military support to civil authorities are compatible with other military plans. Inform the Secretary of Defense when such compatibility cannot be achieved or when plans and operations for military support to civil authorities will adversely affect military readiness. Adverse effects on military readiness shall also be reported to the USD(P&R).

h. Assist Commanders of the Combatant Commands to meet their operational requirements for providing military assistance to civil authorities that has been approved and directed by the Secretary of Defense.

i. Assist the Secretary of the Army in identifying select full-time positions as joint critical and designating Joint Staff members to augment the DOMS staff during a crisis to ensure the DOMS staff has adequate joint and Joint Staff expertise. In coordination with the DOMS, establish procedures for gaining approval for and directing the execution of DoD assistance to civil authorities by forces assigned to the Combatant Commands.

j. As part of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Exercise Evaluation Program, assess combatant command exercises that focus on military operational support for civil authorities to ensure that joint doctrinal and interoperability issues and appropriate lessons learned are captured.

11. The Heads of the DoD Components responsible for related DoD issuances, concept plans, and memoranda of understanding or agreement with external agencies shall ensure that such documents are in full compliance with this Directive.

F. INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

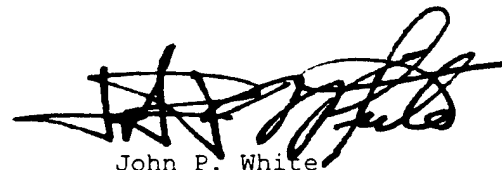
1. The USD(C) shall establish procedures to capture financial costs and types and/or amount of support provided to civil authorities. Procedures shall include methods to obtain reimbursement from civil authorities, as appropriate.

2. Quarterly reports of support provided or denied shall be forwarded to the Executive Secretary for information. Support provided to civilian law enforcement authorities and agencies by the DoD Criminal Investigative Organizations under DoD Directive 5525.7 (reference (o)) shall be reported annually to the DoD Executive Secretary. Readiness issues shall be forwarded to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the USD(P&R) for assessment and to the DoD Executive Secretary for information.

3. DoD Directive 8910.1 (reference (p)) establishes policy for managing and controlling information requirements. DoD 8910.1-M (reference (q)) provides procedures for establishing, revising, and canceling information requirements; obtaining information from the public, non-DoD Federal Agencies, and the DoD Components; and operating reports management programs.

G. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Directive is effective immediately.



John P. White
Deputy Secretary of Defense

Enclosures - 2

1. References
2. Definitions

REFERENCES, continued

- (e) DoD Directive 3025.12, "Military Assistance for Civil Disturbances (MACDIS)," February 4, 1994
- (f) DoD Directive 5160.54, "DoD Key Assets Protection Program (KAPP)," June 10, 1994
- (g) DoD Directive 3025.1, "Military Support to Civil Authorities (MSCA)," January 15, 1993
- (h) DoD Directive 2000.12, "DoD Combating Terrorism Program," September 15, 1996
- (i) DoD Directive 5525.5, "DoD Cooperation with Civilian Law Enforcement Officials," January 15, 1986
- (j) Secretary of Defense Memorandum, "Forces for Unified Command - FY 1996," November 18, 1995
- (k) Sections 382 and 1416 of title 10, United States Code .
- (l) Section 831 of title 18, United States Code
- (m) Section 377 of title 10, United States Code, "Economy Act"
- (n) DoD Instruction 4000.19, "Interservice and Intragovernmental Support," August 9, 1995
- (o) DoD Directive 5525.7, "Implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Department of Justice and the Department of Defense Relating to the Investigation and Prosecution of Certain Crimes," January 22, 1985
- (p) DoD Directive 8910.1, "Management and Control of Information Requirements," June 11, 1993
- (q) DoD 8910.1-M, "DoD Procedures for Management of Information Requirements," November 1986, authorized by DoD Directive 8910.1, June 11, 1993

DEFINITIONS

1. Civil Authorities. Nonmilitary Federal, State, or local government agencies.
2. Civil Disturbances. Group acts of violence and disorders prejudicial to public law and order in the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, U.S. possessions and territories, or any political subdivision thereof.
3. Civil Emergency. Any natural or manmade disaster or emergency that causes or could cause substantial harm to the population or infrastructure, as defined in DoD Directive 3025.1 (reference (g)).
4. CINC-assigned forces. Any and all personnel and equipment of units assigned to the Combatant Commands by the Secretary of Defense Memorandum (reference (j)), or assets determined by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to have an impact on operational requirements or readiness. A list of assets not covered in reference (j) that have an impact on operations or readiness shall be provided by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to the DoD Components and updated on a periodic basis.
5. Consequence Management. Comprises those essential services and activities required to manage and mitigate problems resulting from disasters and catastrophes. Such services and activities may include transportation, communications, public works and engineering, fire fighting, information planning, mass care, resources support, health and medical services, urban search and rescue, hazardous materials, food, and energy.
6. DoD Executive Agent. The individual designated by position to have and to exercise the assigned responsibility and delegated authority of the Secretary of Defense, as specified in DoD Directive 3025.1 (reference (g)).
7. Immediate Response. Any form of immediate action taken by a DoD Component or military commander, under the authorities outlined in DoD Directive 3025.12 (reference (e)), to assist civil authorities or the public to save lives, prevent human suffering, or mitigate great property damage under imminently serious conditions occurring where there has not been any declaration of major disaster or emergency by the President or attack.
8. Military Assistance to Civil Authorities. Those DoD activities and measures covered under MSCA (natural and manmade disasters, see definition 9.) plus DoD assistance for civil disturbances, counterdrug, sensitive support, counterterrorism, and law enforcement.
9. Military Support to Civil Authorities (MSCA). Those activities and measures taken by the DoD Components to foster mutual assistance and support between the Department of Defense and any civil government agency in planning or preparedness for, or in the application of resources for response to, the consequences of civil emergencies or attacks, including national security emergencies.
10. Terrorism. The calculated use of violence or threat of violence to inculcate fear; intended to coerce; or to intimidate governments or societies in the pursuit of goals that are generally political, religious, or ideological.