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**Subj: DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE COMPLIANCE WITH THE ELECTRONIC
BIOMETRIC TRANSMISSION SPECIFICATION**

Ref: (a) DoD Electronic Biometric Transmission Specification, 23 Aug 05, Version 1.1

**Encl: (1) Department of Army CIO memorandum of 29 Nov 2005, Department of Defense
Compliance with the Electronic Biometric Transmission Specification**

Enclosure (1) forwarded for your action. Reference (a) can be found at
http://www.biometrics.dod.mil/documents/DoD_ABIS_EBTS.pdf.

If you have any questions, my point of contact is [REDACTED] at
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1. In fighting the Global War on Terrorism, standardization and interoperability of biometric systems are key tenets of success. The DoD must conform to the appropriate standards for collection of biometric data, and all systems employed must be interoperable. Therefore, all DoD components must refrain from purchasing any new collection systems that do not conform to the Electronic Biometric Transmission Specification (EBTS).
2. Effective immediately, all new acquisitions or upgrades of electronic biometric collection systems used by DoD components to collect biometric data must (1) conform with the EBTS derived from American National Standards Institute/National Institute of Standards and Technology-ITL 1-2000 and the Federal Bureau of Investigations' Electronic Fingerprint Transmission Specification, and (2) be interoperable with the DoD Automated Biometric Identification System (IAW DoD Directive 4630.5 Interoperability and Supportability of Information Technology (IT) and National Security Systems (NSS)). Further, systems used in credentialing processes employed by the Defense Manpower Data Center will be scheduled for conformance testing to EBTS in a timeframe consistent with changes required by Homeland Security Presidential Directive-12 implementation.
3. This policy expands upon guidance issued by the acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Networks and Information Integration in February 2004, which applies a uniform standard to biometric data collected from "red force" personnel (e.g., detainees and other potential national security threats). Leveraging conformance to standard will assure interoperability of systems and bolster the DoD's ability to provide improved force protection, actionable intelligence, and prosecutorial capabilities.

ENCLOSURE (1)

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