SUBJECT: Aviation Leadership Program (ALP)

References:  
(a) Chapter 905 of title 10, United States Code  
(c) Joint Security Assistance Training (JSAT) Regulation, February 28, 1990  
(d) Section 2751 et seq. of title 22, United States Code

1. PURPOSE

This Directive establishes policy and assigns responsibilities for ALP established by reference (a).

2. APPLICABILITY

This Directive applies to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Department of the Air Force, and the Unified Combatant Commands.

3. DEFINITIONS

3.1. ALP Scholarships. Defense articles and defense services provided by the United States Air Force (USAF) to, or for the use of, students enrolled in ALP, including:

1 Available from distribution and publications centers of the Military Departments.
3.1.1. Language training, undergraduate pilot training (UPT), and necessary related training.

3.1.2. Transportation incident to the training.

3.1.3. Supplies and equipment to be used during the training.

3.1.4. Flight clothing and other special clothing required for the training.

3.1.5. Billeting, food, and health services.

3.1.6. Programs to promote better awareness and understanding of the democratic institutions and social framework of the United States.

3.2. **ALP Supplemental Living Allowances.** Funds provided by USAF for use by students enrolled in ALP to cover their miscellaneous living expenses, limited to supplemental living allowance rates authorized under the International Military Education and Training (IMET) Program in accordance with DoD 5105.38-M (reference (b)).

3.3. **Aviation Leadership Program (ALP).** An Air Force-funded UPT program for students from friendly, less developed foreign nations. ALP shall consist of language training, UPT and necessary related training, as well as programs to promote better awareness and understanding of the democratic institutions and social framework of the United States.

3.4. **Friendly, Less-Developed Foreign Nation.** Any nation so designated by the Secretary of the Air Force with the concurrence of the Secretary of Defense.

4. **POLICY**

4.1. It is DoD policy that the Secretary of the Air Force may, from available Air Force appropriations, establish and maintain ALP within the Department of the Air Force to provide UPT and necessary related training to personnel of the air forces of friendly, less-developed foreign nations. Training under this program shall include language training and programs to promote better awareness and understanding of the democratic institutions and social framework of the United States. For the purpose of programming and budgeting costs associated with this program, tuition costs will be those actual costs incurred by the USAF.
4.2. Training will be provided to ALP students under JSAT (reference (c)). Under that regulation, students participating in ALP will be considered to be students participating in the IMET program, except that costs for ALP students will be charged to USAF appropriations.

4.3. Foreign participation in ALP shall be at no cost to the United States Government except as otherwise stated in this Directive. For estimating and programming costs associated with ALP, tuition, billeting, food, health services and other costs incurred by USAF will be those actual costs incurred.

4.4. The Secretary of the Air Force may establish ALP scholarships and ALP supplemental living allowances from USAF appropriations. The Secretary of the Air Force may provide these scholarships and supplemental living allowances to cover all, or a part of, the costs of a country's participation in ALP. Any cost incurred by a country for ALP that is not paid for by an ALP scholarship or supplemental living allowance shall be paid for by that country in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 2751 (reference (d)) under the procedures in DoD 5105.38-M (reference (b)).

5. RESPONSIBILITIES

5.1. The Under Secretary of Defense for Policy shall ensure that the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency (DSAA), shall:

5.1.1. Review and approve the countries submitted by the Secretary of the Air Force for participation in ALP.

5.1.2. Obtain coordination with the Department of State.

5.2. The Secretary of the Air Force shall:

5.2.1. Establish and administer ALP, including ALP scholarships and ALP supplemental living allowances within available appropriations.

5.2.2. Forward country nominations to DSAA for review and approval at least 30-calendar days before the desired date for offering an ALP scholarship to the foreign country.

5.2.3. Offer an ALP scholarship and supplemental living allowances to the approved countries for each student proposed for participation in ALP.
5.2.4. Identify selection methodology and feedback mechanism.

5.2.5. Initiate the annual request to Unified Combatant Commands for a prioritized list of country nominations.

5.3. The Commanders of the Unified Combatant Commands shall coordinate with air component commands and Security Assistance Organizations, as appropriate.

6. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Directive is effective immediately.

John M. Deutch
Deputy Secretary of Defense