SUBJECT: Senior Readiness Oversight Council (SROC)

References: (a) Title 10, United States Code
(b) DoD Directive 7730.65, "Department of Defense Readiness Reporting System (DDRS)," June 3, 2002
(c) DoD Directive 5149.2, "Senior Readiness Oversight Council (SROC)," February 4, 1999 (hereby canceled)

1. PURPOSE

1.1. Pursuant to the authorities provided in reference (a), this Directive establishes the Senior Readiness Oversight Council (SROC) and assigns membership, associate membership, and functions consistent with reference (b).

1.2. This Directive supercedes reference (c).

1.3. Nothing in this Directive limits or otherwise affects the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of Defense over the Department of Defense, or the Defense Agency and DoD Field Activity oversight responsibilities of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, or the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, as required by reference (a).

2. APPLICABILITY

This Directive applies to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, 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,
the DoD Field Activities, and all other organizational entities within the Department of Defense (hereafter referred to collectively as "the DoD Components").

3. MISSION

The SROC shall advise the Secretary of Defense on matters pertaining to DoD readiness, oversee readiness-related activities, provide recommendations to the Secretary of Defense on readiness policy matters, and provide reports on current and projected readiness issues.

4. ORGANIZATION AND MEMBERSHIP

The SROC shall be composed of:

4.1. The Deputy Secretary of Defense, who shall serve as its Chair, the Secretaries of the Military Departments, the Under Secretaries of Defense; the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; the Chief of Staff, Army; the Chief of Naval Operations; the Chief of Staff, Air Force; and the Commandant of the Marine Corps.

4.2. The Assistant Secretaries of Defense for Reserve Affairs; Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence; Public Affairs; and Legislative Affairs; the General Counsel of the Department of Defense; and the Director, Program Analysis and Evaluation are associate members and shall attend meetings of the SROC when matters under their cognizance are addressed.

4.3. Other officials of the Department of Defense and other Departments and Agencies of the Executive Branch as designated by the Secretary or Deputy Secretary of Defense, shall be invited to attend meetings of the SROC.

5. FUNCTIONS

The SROC shall:

5.1. Provide advice to the Secretary of Defense on matters of broad policy related to readiness.

5.2. Provide updates on current readiness of the Military Services to include presentations of the results of the Joint Quarterly Readiness Review.

5.3. Provide reports on current and projected readiness issues.
5.4. Coordinate the expression of DoD positions on readiness to outside audiences.

5.5. Ensure the development of the Quarterly Readiness Reports to Congress (QRRC), pursuant to Section 482 of reference (a).

6. **ADMINISTRATION**

6.1. The SROC shall meet as required, at the call of the Chair.

6.2. The Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Readiness), under the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, shall serve as the Executive Secretary to the SROC. The Executive Secretary shall:

   6.2.1. Assemble and prepare materials on matters under consideration for use by the Chair and members of the SROC and distribute them in a timely manner.

   6.2.2. Disseminate specific requirements for data and other actions that arise in each of the sessions of the SROC to members of the SROC.

   6.2.3. Disseminate, as appropriate, decisions reached by the Secretary or Deputy Secretary of Defense, after receiving the advice of the SROC.

   6.2.4. Monitor follow-on actions taken to ensure that decisions reached by the Secretary or Deputy Secretary of Defense are implemented properly, when necessary.

   6.2.5. Prepare the QRRC to ensure SROC deliberations are displayed appropriately.

   6.2.6. Maintain and safeguard records and ensure their appropriate disposition when they are no longer required.

   6.2.7. Monitor attendance and ensure the appropriate principals and support personnel attend SROC meetings.

   6.2.8. Arrange for such other staff assistance for the SROC as may be required.

6.3. This Directive shall be reviewed every three years for continued need and/or applicability.
7. **EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Directive is effective immediately.

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