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SUBJECT: Directive-Type Memorandum 12-001, "Department of Defense Executive Agent (DoD EA) for the Armed Forces Medical Examiner System (AFMES) and the National Museum of Health and Medicine (NMHM)"

References: See Attachment

Purpose

- Pursuant to sections 113 and 1471 of title 10, United States Code and section 1067 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1995 (References (a) and (b)), this Directive-Type Memorandum (DTM):
 - Designates the Secretary of the Army as the DoD EA for the AFMES and the NMHM consistent with DoD Directive (DoDD) 5101.1 (Reference (c)), effective immediately.
 - Terminates the designation of the Secretary of the Army as DoD EA for the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (AFIP) pursuant to DoDD 5154.24 (Reference (d)), which has been disestablished pursuant to the Defense Base Closure and Relocation Act of 1990 (Reference (e)).

- This DTM is effective upon its publication to the DoD Issuances Website; it shall be incorporated into a reissuance of Reference (d) and DoD Instruction 5154.30 (Reference (f)). This DTM shall expire effective September 8, 2013.

Applicability. This DTM applies to OSD, the Military Departments, the Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Joint 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 DoD.

Policy. The continued effective operation of AFMES and NMHM, previously components of AFIP, is essential to ongoing mission requirements for forensic pathology functions and maintenance of NMHM's collection of medical artifacts and specimens for military medical research. These DoD-wide mission functions continue to be assigned to AFMES and NMHM, which are continued as joint entities of the three Military Departments, under the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of Defense. The DoD EA for the AFMES and NMHM, shall provide operational management and support to AFMES and NMHM in accordance with the sections in References (d) and (f) pertaining to their operations and procedures.

Responsibilities

- Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD(P&R)). The USD(P&R), pursuant to DoDD 5124.02 (Reference (g)), through the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs (ASD(HA)) and in coordination with the Director, Administration and Management, shall develop DoD issuances as appropriate in support of AFMES and NMHM, including a reissuance of References (d) and (f) as they pertain to operations of AFMES and NMHM. The ASD(HA), pursuant to DoDD 5136.01 (Reference (h)), shall continue to develop strategy and policy guidance, and provide policy oversight of AFMES and NMHM.
- Secretary of the Army. Subject to the oversight of the USD(P&R), through the ASD(HA), the Secretary of the Army, as DoD EA for the AFMES and NMHM, shall monitor daily operations, provide administrative support, and maintain operational and functional oversight of AFMES and NMHM. This includes responsibility to administer the budget, personnel, information, facilities, and other resources required to support the missions and functions of AFMES and NMHM. This authority may be delegated within the Army Secretariat; any delegation of authority to the Army Staff under this DTM must be to the Surgeon General and any further delegation within the Army Medical Command.

Releasability. This DTM is approved for public release and is available on the DoD Issuances Website at <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives>.

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Attachments:
As stated

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REFERENCES

- (a) Sections 113 and 1471 of title 10, United States Code
- (b) Section 1067 of Public Law 103-337, "The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1995," as amended by section 702 of Public Law 105-78, "The National Health Museum Development Act"
- (c) DoD Directive 5101.1, "DoD Executive Agent," September 3, 2002
- (d) DoD Directive 5154.24, "Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (AFIP)," October 3, 2001
- (e) Public Law 101-510, "Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990," November 5, 1990, as amended
- (f) DoD Instruction 5154.30, "Armed Forces Institute of Pathology Operations," March 18, 2003
- (g) DoD Directive 5124.02, "Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD(P&R))," June 23, 2008
- (h) DoD Directive 5136.01, "Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs (ASD(HA))," June 4, 2008

GLOSSARY

ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

AFIP	Armed Forces Institute of Pathology
AFMES	Armed Forces Medical Examiner System
ASD(HA)	Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs
DoDD	DoD Directive
DoD EA	Department of Defense Executive Agent
DTM	Directive-Type Memorandum
NMHM	National Museum of Health and Medicine
USD(P&R)	Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness