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MEMORANDUM FOR SENIOR PENTAGON LEADERSHIP (SEE DISTRIBUTION)
DEFENSE AGENCY AND DOD FIELD ACTIVITY DIRECTORS
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE MANPOWER DATA CENTER
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS

SUBJECT: Update on Transition from the Joint Personnel Adjudication System to the Defense Information System for Security


Reference: Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security Memorandum,
August 11, 2020 (copy attached)

The reference directed that, effective December 31, 2020, the Defense Information System for Security (DISS) will be the official DoD system of record for capturing personnel security, suitability, and Homeland Security Presidential Directive 12 credentialing decisions and all associated functions. DoD Intelligence Community Components not supported by the Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency (DCSA) were authorized to continue to use their current case management systems.

The reference also tasked the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) and DCSA to complete DISS deployment, which includes transitioning functionality, historical data, and interfaces from the Joint Personnel Adjudication System (JPAS) to DISS, and decommissioning JPAS after all historical data in JPAS has been validated and transferred to DISS.

Not all functionality required for full transition from JPAS has yet been established in DISS. We have confirmed, however, that eligibility records in DISS are reliable, based on consistent use of DISS to record adjudication results over the past 2 years and recurring data quality initiatives. Therefore, until JPAS has been decommissioned after successful transfers of required functionality, DISS should be relied upon as the system of record only for eligibility information.

Pursuant to the authorities provided to the DCSA Director by the reference, I hereby authorize the Military Departments, the OSD and DoD Components, and National Industrial Security Program contractors under DoD security cognizance, to continue to record affiliation and access in JPAS, and to use other operational JPAS functionality such as the visit request feature, after December 31, 2020. Upon confirmation that functionality and historical data have been successfully transferred to DISS (currently targeted for April 2021), DCSA will publish a notice to cease using JPAS entirely.


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Director

Attachment:
As stated

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SUBJECT: Final Transition from the Joint Personnel Adjudication System to the Defense Information System for Security

References: (a) Director for Defense Intelligence (Intelligence and Security) Memorandum, "Deployment of the Defense Information System for Security," January 8, 2018
(b) Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence Memorandum, "Designation of the DoD Case Management and Adjudication Systems," April 10, 2009
(c) Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Counterintelligence and Security) Memorandum, "Facilitating Classified Visits within the Department of Defense," April 1, 2005

The Department of Defense (DoD) is in the final stages of fully deploying the Defense Information System for Security (DISS). The information and guidance in this memorandum supersedes Reference (a). The Director, Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency (DCSA) is hereby authorized to direct the Military Departments, the OSD and DoD Components, and National Industrial Security Program (NISP) contractors under DoD security cognizance to use the appropriate system of record for capturing personnel security, suitability, and Homeland Security Presidential Directive 12 (HSPD-12) credentialing decisions and all associated functions, and to utilize specific features and workflows in DISS as the required functionality becomes available and has been subjected to successful user acceptance testing. Effective December 31, 2020, Reference (b) is rescinded, and DISS is the official DoD system of record for capturing personnel security, suitability, and HSPD-12 credentialing decisions and all associated functions. DoD Intelligence Community Components not supported by DCSA may continue to utilize their current case management systems.

The Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) and DCSA are responsible for the completion of DISS deployment, which consists of transitioning the remaining required functionality, historical data, and interfaces from the Joint Personnel Adjudication System (JPAS) to DISS, and then decommissioning JPAS, once all historical data in JPAS has been validated and transferred to DISS. The transition of remaining JPAS functionality, historical data, and interfaces has already begun and all new functionality will be subject to rigorous user acceptance testing by representatives from the Military Departments, the OSD and DoD Components, and NISP contractors. DCSA, in coordination with DMDC and my office, will issue further guidance, technical information, and training materials to ensure a smooth transition from JPAS to DISS. DCSA will provide notification via their website at least 30 days prior to

disabling any functionality in JPAS. Upon the transition of visit request functionality, Reference (c) is rescinded.

To avoid any disruptions in service, it is imperative that the Military Departments, the OSD and DoD Components, and NISP contractors under DoD security cognizance expeditiously establish user accounts for any security, suitability, or HSPD-12 credentialing management personnel not already operating in DISS, establish corresponding owning/servicing relationships (appropriate to each office's assigned responsibilities) in DISS for all personnel assigned to their organizations, coordinate with DMDC and DCSA regarding the continuity of existing interfaces and data quality initiatives, actively participate in user acceptance testing as requested by DCSA and as required by this memorandum, and ensure their personnel are prepared for the transition.

This transition is a key component of DoD's strategy to modernize personnel security, suitability, and HSPD-12 credentialing processes and improve mission readiness. My point of contact is Mr. Patrick Hogan at (703) 692-3720 or patrick.m.hogan22.civ@mail.mil.



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