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planning and program development; (2) developing systems and criteria for the execution of approved plans and policies; (3) reviewing programs of the military departments for carrying out approved policies; (4) evaluating the administration and management of approved policies and programs; (5) advising and assisting other officials of the Department of Defense on atomic energy aspects of Department of Defense policies, plans, and programs; and (6) developing policies and procedures for the transmission of information to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, as required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and coordinating such information, where appropriate, with other officials and agencies of the Department of Defense and with the Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission. In the performance of his functions, he coordinates actions, as appropriate, with the military departments and other Department of Defense agencies having collateral or related functions in his assigned field of responsibility. In the course of exercising full staff functions, he is authorized to issue instructions appropriate to carrying out policies approved by the Secretary of Defense for his assigned field of responsibility. The Chairman of the Military Liaison Committee to the Atomic Energy Commission serves as the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Atomic Energy) without additional compensation.

#### **Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs)**

The Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs) is the principal staff assistant to the Secretary of Defense for the liaison aspects of relations with the Congress (except on matters over which the Appropriations Committees have jurisdiction) in

the fields of legislation, hearings, investigations, and inquiries. He performs functions in his assigned fields of responsibility such as: (1) recommending policy and guidance governing Department of Defense relations with the Congress; (2) advising and assisting officials of the Department of Defense on congressional aspects of Department of Defense policies, plans, and programs; (3) maintaining direct liaison with the members of the Congress and congressional committees concerned with Department of Defense activities; (4) monitoring and coordinating the legislative liaison activities of the Department of Defense in his assigned fields of responsibility; and (5) assisting members of the Congress and congressional committees in their relations with the Department of Defense, including travel. In the performance of his functions, he coordinates actions, as appropriate, with the military departments and other Department of Defense agencies having collateral or related functions in the fields of his assigned responsibility. In the course of exercising full staff functions, he is authorized to issue instructions appropriate to carrying out policies approved by the Secretary of Defense for his assigned fields of responsibility. The Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs) is appointed by the Secretary of Defense.

#### **Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Special Operations)**

The Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Special Operations) is the principal staff assistant to the Secretary of Defense in the functional fields of intelligence, counterintelligence (except as otherwise specifically assigned), communications security, Central Intelligence Agency relationship and special operations, and psychological warfare operations. He performs functions

in his assigned fields of responsibility such as: (1) recommending policies and guidance governing Department of Defense planning and program development; (2) reviewing plans and programs of the military departments for carrying out approved policies and evaluating the administration and management of approved plans and programs as a basis on which to recommend to the Secretary of Defense necessary actions to provide for more effective, efficient, and economical administration and operations and the elimination of duplication; (3) reviewing the development and execution of plans and programs of the National Security Agency and related activities of the Department of Defense; and (4) developing Department of Defense positions and providing for Department of Defense support in connection with special operations activities of the United States Government. In the performance of his functions, he

coordinates actions, as appropriate, with the military departments and other Department of Defense agencies having collateral or related functions and maintains liaison with the Department of State, the Director of Central Intelligence and the Central Intelligence Agency, the United States Information Agency, and other United States and foreign government organizations on matters in his assigned fields of responsibility. In the course of exercising full staff functions, he is authorized to issue instructions appropriate to carrying out policies approved by the Secretary of Defense for his assigned fields of responsibility. He also exercises the authority vested in the Secretary of Defense relating to the direction and control of the National Security Agency and related activities of the Department of Defense. The Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Special Operations) is appointed by the Secretary of Defense.

## Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

### Joint Chiefs of Staff

The Joint Chiefs of Staff are the principal military advisers to the President, the National Security Council, and the Secretary of Defense. They constitute the immediate military staff of the Secretary of Defense, serving in the chain of command that extends from the President to the Secretary of Defense, through the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to the commanders of unified and specified commands. Subject to the authority and direction of the President and the Secretary of Defense, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in addition to such other duties as the President and the Secretary of Defense may direct, (1) prepare strategic plans and provide for the strategic direction of the armed forces, including the direction of operations conducted by commanders of unified and

specified commands; (2) prepare integrated plans for military mobilization and integrated logistic plans; (3) recommend to the Secretary of Defense the establishment and force structure of unified and specified commands and the assignment to the military departments of responsibility for providing support to such commands; (4) review the plans and programs of commanders of unified and specified commands; (5) review major personnel, materiel, and logistic requirements of the armed forces in relation to strategic and logistic plans; (6) provide joint intelligence for use within the Department of Defense; (7) establish doctrines for unified operations and training and for coordination of the military education of members of the armed forces; (8) provide the Secretary of Defense with statements of military requirements