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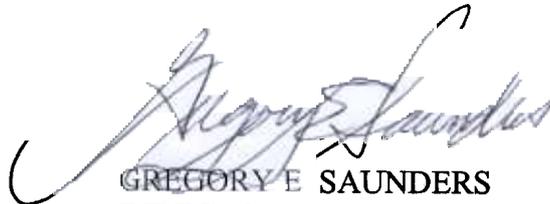
SUBJECT: Recommendations for Implementing the Defense Standardization Program's Strategic Plan

One year ago, we launched four major Integrated Process Teams (IPTs) to develop specific recommendations and plans of action for implementing the Defense Standardization Program (DSP) Strategic Plan. Those IPTs have completed their work and the IPT chairs have submitted their reports and recommendations. I wish to thank the IPT chairpersons and all team members for their dedication and hard work in developing the recommendations. I also want to thank the many organizations within the Military Services and Defense Agencies who supported the effort by providing IPT team members, guest speakers, and other behind-the-scenes assistance.

The complete set of reports and implementing plans is reproduced here. During the coming months, the Defense Standardization Program Office will thoroughly review and analyze the recommended courses of action and begin making decisions about implementation. Many of the recommendations will need to be acted on at the Defense Standardization Council level and will need further elaboration and commitment of resources before they may be implemented. I am confident that the effort put forth by the IPTs will help to guide and reinvigorate the DSP as we move into the future.

All of the documents included here are also posted on the DSP Web site. Please remember that these are provided to document the IPTs' work, and should not, at this time, be viewed as endorsement of the recommendations, nor a call to independently proceed with implementation.

Again, thanks to all for a superb effort. We look forward to working with you in the near future.


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