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MEMORANDUM FOR EXPEDITIONARY SHELTERS AND BASING EQUIPMENT
JOINT STANDARDIZATION BOARD

SUBJECT: Approval of Expeditionary Shelters and Basing Equipment Joint Standardization Board Charter

The attached charter to continue the Expeditionary Shelters and Basing Equipment (ESBE) Joint Standardization Board (JSB) under the Defense Standardization Program (DSP) is approved. The objective of the JSB is to achieve common, mutually satisfactory solutions to shared requirements and problems.

The JSB will:

- Develop and improve joint processes and procedures to facilitate the design, development, and acquisition of expeditionary shelters, structures and basing equipment/systems that maximize interoperability to the greatest extent possible.
- Authorize, approve, and manage in accordance with DoDM 4120.24, Defense Standardization Program Procedures, the development and maintenance of specifications and standards that ensure adequate operational and environmental performance and compatibility with commercial and military transportation and material handling assets.
- Promote the use of standard parts and components to reduce cost, reduce inventories, shorten logistics chains, and improve readiness. Establish an effective Department-wide forum for interoperability, coordination, planning, and decision making.

I appreciate your leadership in the DSP's efforts to achieve standardization and interoperability for fuze/initiation systems.

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CHARTER
JOINT STANDARDIZATION BOARD
FOR
EXPEDITIONARY SHELTERS AND BASING EQUIPMENT

1. **Name of committee:** DoD Joint Standardization Board (JSB) for Expeditionary Shelters and Basing Equipment (JSB-ESBE)
2. **Category and type of committee:** Joint DoD
3. **Date established:** JSB-ESBE charter originally dated September 19, 2018, replaced JSB for Tactical Shelter and Expeditionary Basing Systems, formerly JOCOTAS
4. **Authority:**
 - a. DoD Manual 4120.24 "Defense Standardization Program Procedures," October 15, 2018
 - b. DoD Directive 3000.10 "Contingency Basing Outside the United States," August 27, 2021
5. **References:**
 - a. DoD Instruction 5105.18 "DoD Intergovernmental and Intragovernmental Committee Management Program," Incorporating Change 2, April 8, 2019
6. **Duration:** The need for this JSB is on a continuing basis. It will be terminated upon completion of its mission or five years from the date this charter is approved, whichever is sooner, unless extended by the Defense Standardization Executive.
7. **Mission:** JSB-ESBE brings together DoD organizations and experts involved in expeditionary shelters and basing equipment (ESBE) and serves as an advisory body to the Service Headquarters, Joint Staff, and Office of Secretary of Defense for all matters relating to ESBE. Although each Service retains the authority to develop and procure assets as necessary to support its missions, JSB-ESBE has two fundamental functions:
 - a. minimize duplication of effort across the Services with regard ESBE development and acquisition;
 - b. advocate the use of standard ESBE to promote interoperability, improve supportability, and reduce life cycle cost.
8. **Responsibilities:** To carry out its mission, JSB-ESBE assumes the following responsibilities –
 - a. Establish and amend, when necessary, the JSB's scope; roles and responsibilities; authorities and references; and procedures and processes (to include operating procedures and action plans).
 - b. Identify, catalog, and promote a standard collection of state-of-the-art ESBE for DoD use.

- iv. vans and enclosed semi-trailers;
- v. Special Operations Forces equipment;
- vi. force protection equipment;
- vii. aerospace ground equipment;
- viii. fuel support equipment;
- ix. weapon system peculiar support equipment;
- x. assets covered under other JSBs or DoD issuances.

10. Membership:

- a. Chair: The JSB-ESBE Chair is Director, Defense Standardization Program Office, unless otherwise delegated.
- b. Executive Secretary: The Chair will name an Executive Secretary to arrange and facilitate meetings, prepare agendas, document and distribute meeting minutes.
- c. Membership: The JSB is comprised of representatives from all affected Military Departments and Defense Agencies.
- d. Technical Working Groups (TWGs) and Chairs: The JSB-ESBE Chair may establish TWGs, as necessary, to carry out the JSB's mission. The process for establishing TWGs and their respective Chairs is defined in the JSB-ESBE operating procedures.

11. Meetings: JSB-ESBE and its TWGs convene as follows –

- a. Meetings are scheduled by the JSB-ESBE Chair or by the Executive Secretary, if so delegated, to accommodate maximum membership attendance. The JSB-ESBE Chair has the authority to schedule additional meetings or set up sub-committees, as necessary, to carry out the JSB's mission. The Chair presides over JSB-ESBE meetings and reviews the results of TWG meetings.
- b. At a minimum, JSB-ESBE meetings are held semi-annually to execute the responsibilities described above and resolve disputes.
- c. TWG meetings are scheduled by the TWG Chair as necessary. The TWG Chair presides over TWG meetings and reports meeting highlights to the JSB-ESBE Chair.
- d. The JSB-ESBE Chair will invite government participants involved with or interested in ESBE to attend meetings, to include personnel from technology and materiel developers, capability developers and requirements agencies, procurement agencies, and technology integrators and engineering support services. The JSB-ESBE Chair may consider invitations to non-government participants as necessary.