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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE
ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR HEALTH
AFFAIRS
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY

SUBJECT: Joint Trauma System

Reference: (a) National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328),
Section 707, Joint Trauma System
(b) DoD Instruction 6040.47, "Joint Trauma System (JTS)"

Reference (a) required the Secretary of Defense to "submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate an implementation plan to establish a Joint Trauma System (JTS) within the Defense Health Agency (DHA) that promotes improved trauma care to members of the Armed Forces and other individuals who are eligible to be treated for trauma at a military medical treatment facility." The implementation plan was coordinated with the Military Departments and documented in section 707 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-329), "Final Report on Joint Trauma System," dated August 2, 2017.

I approve this realignment. Therefore, effective on August 5, 2018, the designation in reference (b) of the Department of the Army as Lead Agent is canceled. On that date, the DHA will assume the operational management and support for this organization, according to the coordinated transition plan. After realignment, the DHA will include the JTS in its business process reengineering efforts to identify possible savings from consolidation of functions and elimination of duplication where appropriate. The Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs is directed to prepare, in coordination with the Office of the Chief Management Officer, appropriate revisions to reference (b) concerning this realignment.

My point of contact for this action is Mr. Robert Bolluyt. He may be contacted at (703) 681-1116 or robert.j.bolluyt.civ@mail.mil.

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SUBJECT: Vision Center of Excellence

- Reference: (a) Deputy Secretary of Defense Memorandum, "Delegation of Authority Under Section 1623 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, and Sections 721-723 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 for the Establishment of Health Care Centers of Excellence," February 8, 2010
- (b) Under Secretary of Defense, Personnel and Readiness, Memorandum, "Establishment of Centers of Excellence for Vision, Hearing, and Traumatic Extremity Injuries and Amputations," May 18, 2010

Under the authority of reference (a) and the statutes referenced therein, reference (b) established the Vision Center of Excellence (VCE) with the Department of the Navy as Lead Component. On May 16, 2017, the Medical Deputies Action Group concurred with the VCE realignment into the Defense Health Agency (DHA).

I approve this realignment. Therefore, effective on August 5, 2018, the designation in reference (b) of the Department of the Navy as Lead Component is canceled. On that date, the DHA will assume the operational management and support for this organization, according to the coordinated concept of operation and its transition plan. After realignment, the DHA will include the VCE in its business process re-engineering efforts to identify possible savings from consolidation of functions and elimination of duplication where appropriate.

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