Department of Defense Directive

SUBJECT

Defense Attache System (U)

(b) DoD Directive 5010.10, "Intelligence Career Development Program", August 9, 1972
(c) DoD Directive 4000.19, "Basic Policies and Principles for Interservice, Interdepartmental and Interagency Support", March 27, 1972
(d) DoD Directive 5105.21, "Defense Intelligence Agency", August 1, 1961

I. (U) PURPOSE

This Directive provides general policy and guidance with respect to the maintenance and direction of a single Defense Attache System (DAS).

II. (U) CANCELLATION

Reference (a) is hereby superseded and cancelled.
III. (U) ORGANIZATION AND DIRECTION

Subject to the direction of the Secretary of Defense, or the Joint Chiefs of Staff acting under the direction and authority of the Secretary of Defense, the DAS will be maintained as an organizational function of the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) and shall consist of:

A. All military personnel accredited as attaches or assistant attaches to foreign governments and other DoD personnel assigned to attaché posts.

B. Such headquarters, subordinate units, facilities, and administrative functions as are specifically established by the DIA for accomplishing the functions and responsibilities assigned herein.

IV. MISSION

A. The DAS is directed, operated and maintained by the Director, DIA, and is specifically asked to perform four primary missions:

1. (g) [Redacted]

2. To perform representational functions on behalf of the Secretary of Defense, the Secretaries of the Military Departments, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Chiefs of the Services and the Commanders of Unified and Specified Commands.

3. To perform security assistance functions (see II.C., DoD Directive 5132.3 (Ref (g) and V. E. 9, below) where assigned by the Secretary of Defense.
4. To serve U.S. Ambassadors by providing armed forces attaches on Embassy staffs.

B. The mission of the DAS is accomplished through established Defense Attaché Offices which are organic parts of the U.S. diplomatic mission and to which may be attached or assigned such other military detachments or elements as the Secretary of Defense may from time to time direct.

V. POLICY AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Maintenance and direction of the DAS will be governed by the following:

A. (U) The DAS will be responsive to the requirements of the Secretary of Defense, the Secretaries of the Military Departments, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Chiefs of the Services and the Commanders of Unified and Specified Commands.

B. (U) Within the limits of qualified manpower resources, provisions of DoD Directive 5010.10, (Ref. (b).) will be applied to the selection, training and career development of personnel assigned to the DAS.

C. (U) Attachés and assistant attaches accredited to foreign governments shall be selected from commissioned officers, on active duty, of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps.

E. Under the direction of the Secretary of Defense, or the Joint Chiefs of Staff acting under the direction and authority of the Secretary of Defense, the Director, DIA shall.
2. Establish procedures, in collaboration with the Military Services, for the conduct of representational responsibilities for all components of DoD.

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4. Determine the organizational, command, and administrative arrangements for each Defense Attache Office.

5. Determine the total attache administrative manpower requirements, and the military and civilian composition thereof, at each attache post or complex.

6. Conduct negotiations with the Department of State for the assignment of armed forces attaches at overseas locations, and for the administration of Defense Attache Offices under existing procedures for Shared Administrative Support.

7. Select and train attaché personnel from individuals nominated by the Military Departments.

8. Determine the requirements for acquisition and modification of aircraft and boats.

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10. Establish a central DoD contact point for the armed forces' attaches maintained by foreign governments in Washington.

The Chiefs of the Military Services representing the Secretaries of the Military Departments and, when appropriate, the heads of other DoD components shall:

1. Provide the Director, DIA, with logistic and administrative support, specialized training required to maintain and administer the DAS, and other assistance as required.
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B. Administrative, logistic, and training support furnished by the Military Departments will be in accordance with the basic policies and principles established by DoD Directive 4000.19, reference [c].

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(U) AUTHORITY

The appropriate provisions of DoD Directives 5105.21, 5105.25, 5025.10 and 5132.3 apply to the discharge of the functions and responsibilities assigned by this Directive.

(U) REPORTING PROCEDURES

The reporting requirements prescribed herein are exempt from formal approval and licensing in accordance with Paragraph III.D.1., DoD Directive 5000.19.
IX. (U) EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

This Directive is effective immediately. Two copies of implementing documents shall be forwarded by Director, DIA, and the Secretaries of the Military Departments to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Intelligence) within 120 days.

[Signature]
(Deputy Secretary of Defense)
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