

1 (2) Subsection (c) of such section is amended by striking
2 out the matter preceding clause (1) and inserting in lieu
3 thereof the following:

4 “(c) Subject to the overall authority and direction of the
5 President and the Secretary of Defense, the Chairman (in
6 consultation, as appropriate, with the other members of the
7 Joint Chiefs of Staff and with the commanders of the unified
8 and specified commands) shall—”.

9 (b) CHAIRMAN TO FORWARD JCS ADVICE.—Section
10 142(b)(3) of such title is amended by striking out “of those
11 issues upon which the Joint Chiefs of Staff have not agreed”
12 and inserting in lieu thereof “of the military advice of the
13 Joint Chiefs of Staff as a body on those matters with respect
14 to which such advice is requested by the President or the
15 Secretary of Defense (including advice on those matters on
16 which the members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff have not
17 agreed)”.

18 (c) ADVICE CONCERNING ESTABLISHMENT OF COM-
19 BATANT COMMANDS.—Section 124(a) of such title is amend-
20 ed by inserting “of the Chairman” after “advice and
21 assistance”.

22 (d) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 5081(d) of
23 such title is amended by striking out “to the President and”.