

1 **“§ 193. Oversight of combat support agencies: Chairman**
2 **of the Joint Chiefs of Staff**

3 “(a) COMBAT READINESS.—(1) Periodically (and not
4 less often than every two years) the Chairman of the Joint
5 Chiefs of Staff shall submit to the Secretary of Defense a
6 report on the combat support agencies. Each such report
7 shall include—

8 “(A) a determination with respect to the respon-
9 siveness and readiness of each such agency to support
10 operating forces in the event of a war or threat to na-
11 tional security; and

12 “(B) any recommendations that the Chairman
13 considers appropriate.

14 “(2) In preparing each such report, the Chairman shall
15 review the plans of each such agency with respect to its sup-
16 port of operating forces in the event of a war or threat to
17 national security. After consultation with the Secretaries of
18 the military departments and the commanders of the unified
19 and specified combatant commands, as appropriate, the
20 Chairman may, in accordance with guidelines established by
21 the Secretary of Defense, take steps to provide for any revi-
22 sion of those plans that the Chairman considers appropriate.

23 “(b) PARTICIPATION IN JOINT TRAINING EXER-
24 CISES.—The Chairman shall—

25 “(1) provide for the participation of the combat
26 support agencies in joint training exercises to the