

1 (b) REORGANIZATION POLICIES.—In carrying out the
2 reorganization required by subsection (a), the Secretary of
3 Defense shall implement the following policies:

4 (1) Each military department shall have a single
5 integrated staff for the executive part of the depart-
6 ment, rather than separate civilian secretariat and mili-
7 tary staffs.

8 (2) Commissioned officers serving on the new
9 military department staff shall not constitute or be or-
10 ganized as a separate component within the staff.

11 (3) There shall be uniformity of organization
12 among the department staffs of the three military de-
13 partments. The functional assignments of the assistant
14 secretaries of the military departments, other senior ci-
15 vilian officials, and senior military officers on the de-
16 partment staffs shall be as uniform as possible across
17 the military departments. In implementing this policy,
18 the Secretary shall limit exceptions to the greatest
19 extent possible.

20 (4) Senior civilian officials on the department staff
21 who are political appointees shall not be placed in a
22 position subordinate to a military officer.

23 (5) The size of the department staffs shall be sub-
24 stantially reduced from the combined size of the prior
25 secretariat and military staffs, with functions to be