

1 (b) ALLOCATION OF REDUCTIONS TO BE MADE BY  
2 THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.—(1) The Secretary of De-  
3 fense shall allocate the reductions required under subsection  
4 (a) among management headquarters activities and manage-  
5 ment headquarters support activities in a manner consistent  
6 with the efficient operation of the Department of Defense.

7 (2) The Secretary shall also consolidate and eliminate  
8 unnecessary management headquarters activities and man-  
9 agement headquarters support activities.

10 (c) PROHIBITION AGAINST CERTAIN ACTIONS TO  
11 ACHIEVE REDUCTIONS.—The personnel reduction required  
12 by subsection (a) may not be accomplished by recategorizing  
13 or redefining duties, functions, offices, or organizations.

14 (d) AUTHORITY OF COMBATANT COMMANDERS WITH  
15 REGARD TO REDUCTIONS.—In the case of a reduction under  
16 this section made applicable by the Secretary of Defense to a  
17 unified or specified combatant command, the commander of  
18 that command, after consultation with the commanders of  
19 commands directly subordinated to the commander of the  
20 combatant command, shall determine the manner in which  
21 the reduction shall be accomplished.

22 (e) PROHIBITION ON FUTURE INCREASE.—After Sep-  
23 tember 30, 1988, the number of civilian and military person-  
24 nel assigned to perform activities described in subsection (a)  
25 may not be increased above a number that is 10 percent less