

1       “(c) The members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff are mili-  
2 tary advisers to the President, the National Security Council,  
3 and the Secretary of Defense, as specified in this section.

4       “(d) The Joint Chiefs of Staff, assisted by the Joint  
5 Staff, constitute the immediate military staff of the Secretary  
6 of Defense.

7       “(e) In performing his duties, the Chairman shall—

8               “(1) convene regular meetings of the Joint Chiefs  
9 of Staff;

10              “(2) unless impracticable, consult with and seek  
11 the advice of, individually or collectively, the other  
12 members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; and

13              “(3) when appropriate, consult with and seek the  
14 advice of the commanders of the unified and specified  
15 combatant commands.

16       “(f) When the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff  
17 provides advice to the Secretary of Defense, the National  
18 Security Council, or the President, any other member of the  
19 Joint Chiefs of Staff may submit advice or an opinion in dis-  
20 agreement or advice or an opinion in addition to the advice  
21 provided by the Chairman. If such member submits such  
22 advice or opinion, the Chairman shall present the advice or  
23 opinion of such member at the same time the Chairman pre-  
24 sents his own advice to the President, the National Security  
25 Council, or the Secretary of Defense, as the case may be.