

1 SEC. 2. CHAIRMAN OF JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF TO BE PRINCI-
2 PAL MILITARY ADVISER.

3 (a) ROLE OF CHAIRMAN AS HEAD OF JCS AND PRIN-
4 CIPAL MILITARY ADVISER.—(1) Subsections (a) and (b) of
5 section 141 of title 10, United States Code, are amended to
6 read as follows:

7 “(a) There are in the Department of Defense the Joint
8 Chiefs of Staff, headed by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs
9 of Staff. In addition to the Chairman, the Joint Chiefs of
10 Staff consist of the following:

11 “(1) The Chief of Staff of the Army.

12 “(2) The Chief of Naval Operations.

13 “(3) The Chief of Staff of the Air Force.

14 “(4) The Commandant of the Marine Corps.

15 “(b) The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff is the
16 principal military adviser to the President, the National Se-
17 curity Council, and the Secretary of Defense. The Joint
18 Chiefs of Staff, as a body, shall provide advice to the Presi-
19 dent and the Secretary of Defense on matters with respect to
20 which such advice is requested.”.

21 (2) Subsection (c) of such section is amended—

22 (A) by striking out the matter preceding clause (1)
23 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

24 “(c) Subject to the overall authority and direction of the
25 President and the Secretary of Defense, the Chairman (in
26 consultation, as appropriate, with the other members of the