

1 tary Staff of the National Command Authorities under the
2 Chief of Staff of the National Command Authorities.

3 (b) Chapter 5 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
4 ed to read as follows:

5 **“CHAPTER 5—NATIONAL COMMAND AUTHORITIES**

6 **STAFF**

“Sec.

“141. Chief of Staff.

“142. Deputy Chiefs of Staff.

“143. Joint Military Staff.

7 **“§ 141. Chief of Staff**

8 “(a) There is a Chief of Staff of the National Command
9 Authorities. The Chief of Staff shall be appointed by the
10 President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate,
11 from the officers of the regular components of the armed
12 forces. The Chief of Staff serves at the pleasure of the Presi-
13 dent for a term of two years and may be reappointed in the
14 same manner for one additional term, except that in time of
15 war declared by Congress there is no limit on the number of
16 reappointments.

17 “(b) The Chief of Staff is the principal military adviser
18 to the President, the National Security Council, and the Sec-
19 retary of Defense. While holding office, the Chief of Staff
20 outranks all other officers of the armed forces.

21 “(c) Subject to the authority and direction of the Presi-
22 dent and the Secretary of Defense, the Chief of Staff shall—