

§ 165. Combatant commands: administration and support

(a) *The Secretary of Defense, with the advice and assistance of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, shall provide for the administration and support of combatant forces assigned to each combatant command.*

(b) *Subject to the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of Defense and consistent with the full operational command vested in the combatant commanders by section 164(d) of this title, the Secretary of a military department is responsible for the administration and support of forces assigned by him to a combatant command.*

(c) *After consultation with the Secretary of each military department, the Secretary of Defense may also assign the responsibility or any part of the responsibility for the administration and support of combatant forces assigned to the combatant commands to other components of the Department of Defense. A component assigned such a responsibility shall discharge that responsibility under the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of Defense and consistent with the full operational command vested in combatant commanders by section 164(d) of this title.*

CHAPTER 7—BOARDS, COUNCILS, AND COMMITTEES

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§ 175. Reserve Forces Policy Board

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(d) *This section does not affect the committees on reserve policies prescribed by section [3033] 3019, 5251, 5252, or [8033] 8019 of this title.*

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§ 191. Common supply and service activities

(a)(1) *In any case in which the Secretary of Defense determines such action would be more effective, economical, or efficient, he may provide for the performance of a supply or service activity which is common to more than one military department by a single agency of the Department of Defense.*

(2) *The Secretary of Defense may establish within the Department of Defense a Department of Defense Agency or a Department of De-*