

ments or one or more of the armed forces. However, notwithstanding any other provision of this title or any other law, the Secretary of Defense shall not direct or approve a plan to initiate or effect a substantial reduction or elimination of a major weapons system until the Secretary of Defense has reported all the pertinent details of the proposed action to the Congress of the United States while the Congress is in session.

[(d) In subsection (a)(1), "major combatant function, power, or duty" does not include a supply or service activity common to more than one military department. The Secretary of Defense shall, whenever he determines it will be more effective, economical, or efficient, provide for the performance of such an activity by one agency or such other organizations as he considers appropriate.]

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§ 131. Executive department

The Department of Defense is an executive department of the United States. *It is composed of the following:*

- (1) *The Office of the Secretary of Defense.*
- (2) *The Joint Chiefs of Staff.*
- (3) *The Joint Staff.*
- (4) *The Defense Agencies.*
- (5) *Department of Defense Field Activities.*
- (6) *The Department of the Army.*