

“(2) The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition.

“(3) The Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

“(4) The Director of Defense Research and Engineering.

“(5) The Assistant Secretaries of Defense.

“(6) The Comptroller of the Department of Defense.

“(7) The Director of Operational Test and Evaluation.

“(8) The General Counsel of the Department of Defense.

“(9) The Inspector General of the Department of Defense.

“(10) Such other offices and officials as may be established by law or the Secretary of Defense may establish or designate in the Office.

“(c) Officers of the armed forces may be assigned or detailed to permanent duty in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. However, the Secretary may not establish a military staff in the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

“(d) The Secretary of each military department, and the civilian employees and members of the armed forces under the jurisdiction of the Secretary, shall cooperate fully with personnel of the Office of the Secretary of Defense to achieve efficient administration of the Department of Defense and to carry out effectively the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of Defense.”.

SEC. 105. UNDER SECRETARY FOR POLICY AND DIRECTOR OF DEFENSE RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING

Chapter 4 is further amended—

(1) by striking out the heading and subsection (a) of section 135 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“§ 134. Under Secretary of Defense for Policy

10 USC 134.

“(a) There is an Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, appointed from civilian life by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. A person may not be appointed as Under Secretary within 10 years after relief from active duty as a commissioned officer of a regular component of an armed force.

“(b)(1) The Under Secretary shall perform such duties and exercise such powers as the Secretary of Defense may prescribe.

“(2) The Under Secretary shall assist the Secretary of Defense—

“(A) in preparing written policy guidance for the preparation and review of contingency plans; and

“(B) in reviewing such plans.

“(c) The Under Secretary takes precedence in the Department of Defense after the Secretary of Defense, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, and the Secretaries of the military departments.

“§ 135. Director of Defense Research and Engineering

“(a) There is a Director of Defense Research and Engineering, appointed from civilian life by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.”; and

(2) by striking out the first sentence of subsections (b) and (c) of section 135 (as designated by paragraph (1)).

SEC. 106. ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF DEFENSE

(a) REPEAL OF SPECIFICATION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANT SECRETARIES.— Subsection (b) of section 136 is amended—

(1) by striking out paragraphs (2) and (3);

(2) by redesignating paragraphs (4) and (5) as paragraphs (2) and (3), respectively; and