

(B) by inserting "subject to subsections (c) and (d) of section 8014 of this title," before "prepare" in clause (1);

(C) by striking out ", training, serving, mobilizing, and demobilizing" in clause (1) and inserting in lieu thereof "(including those aspects of research and development assigned by the Secretary of the Air Force), training, servicing, mobilizing, demobilizing, administering, and maintaining";

(D) by striking out "for military operations" in clause (2) and inserting in lieu thereof "to support military operations by combatant commands"; and

(E) by striking out clause (4) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(4) as directed by the Secretary or the Chief of Staff, coordinate the action of organizations of the Air Force; and".

(3) The heading of such section is amended to read as follows:

"§ 8032. The Air Staff: general duties".

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(c) CHIEF OF STAFF.—Section 8034 is redesignated as section 8033 and is amended to read as follows:

"§ 8033. Chief of Staff

"(a)(1) There is a Chief of Staff of the Air Force, appointed for a period of four years by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, from the general officers of the Air Force. He serves at the pleasure of the President. In time of war or during a national emergency declared by Congress, he may be reappointed for a term of not more than four years.

"(2) The President may appoint an officer as Chief of Staff only if—

"(A) the officer has had significant experience in joint duty assignments; and

"(B) such experience includes at least one joint duty assignment as a general officer.

"(3) The President may waive paragraph (2) in the case of an officer if the President determines such action is necessary in the national interest.

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"(b) The Chief of Staff, while so serving, has the grade of general without vacating his permanent grade.

"(c) Except as otherwise prescribed by law and subject to section 8013(f) of this title, the Chief of Staff performs his duties under the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of the Air Force and is directly responsible to the Secretary.

"(d) Subject to the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of the Air Force, the Chief of Staff shall—

"(1) preside over the Air Staff;

"(2) transmit the plans and recommendations of the Air Staff to the Secretary and advise the Secretary with regard to such plans and recommendations;

"(3) after approval of the plans or recommendations of the Air Staff by the Secretary, act as the agent of the Secretary in carrying them into effect;

"(4) exercise supervision, consistent with the authority assigned to commanders of unified or specified combatant commands under chapter 6 of this title, over such of the members and organizations of the Air Force as the Secretary determines;

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"(5) perform the duties prescribed for him by section 171 of this title and other provisions of law; and