

“(e) In carrying out his functions under this chapter or any other provision of law, the Chairman shall consult, as appropriate, with the other members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the commanders of the unified and specified commands.”

(c) **JOINT STAFF NET ASSESSMENT CAPABILITY.**—Section 143 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(f) The Chairman shall ensure that the Joint Staff is organized and staffed so as to provide the Chairman the necessary staff expertise to enable him to carry out section 141(a)(14) of this title.”

#### SEC. 103. TRANSFERS OF STAFF PERSONNEL.

(a) **TRANSFERS OF STAFFS TO CINC HEADQUARTERS.**—The Secretary of Defense shall provide that personnel assigned to the headquarters staffs of the military departments and of the separate Armed Forces and personnel assigned to the staffs of the commanders of subordinate forces of the unified and specified commands shall, to the maximum extent practicable, be transferred to the staffs of the commanders of the unified and specified commands to reflect transfers of functions provided for or authorized by this Act. Such transfers shall be carried out as expeditiously as possible.

(b) **LIMITATION ON TOTAL STAFF SIZE.**—The total size of the headquarters staffs of the commanders of the unified and specified commands, the military departments, the separate Armed Forces, and the commanders of subordinate forces of the unified and specified commands may not be greater after any such transfer of functions than it was before such transfer.

#### SEC. 104. INITIAL REVIEW OF UNIFIED COMMAND PLAN.

(a) **MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED.**—The first review of the structure of the unified and specified commands under section 161(c) of title 10, United States Code, as added by section 101, shall include consideration of the following:

(1) Creation of a unified strategic command combining the missions, functions, and forces of the Strategic Air Command, the strategic forces of the Navy, and other appropriate forces.

(2) Creation of a unified command for special operations missions.

(3) Revision of the geographic area that is the responsibility of the Central Command, to include the ocean areas adjacent to Southwest Asia.

(4) Revision of the geographic area that is the responsibility of the Southern Command, to include the ocean areas adjacent to Central America.

(5) Revision of the missions, functions, and responsibilities of the Readiness Command and of the Central Command.

(6) Elimination of the United States Forces Caribbean Command.

(b) **DEADLINE.**—The first report to the President under such section shall be made not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act.

#### SEC. 105. REPEAL OF CERTAIN LIMITATIONS ON DEFENSE MANAGEMENT.

(a) **PROHIBITION AGAINST CONSOLIDATING FUNCTIONS OF THE MILITARY TRANSPORTATION COMMANDS.**—Section 1110 of the Department of Defense Authorization Act, 1983 (Public Law 97-252; 96 Stat. 747), is repealed.

(b) **PROHIBITION AGAINST ALTERING COMMAND STRUCTURE FOR MILITARY FORCES IN ALASKA.**—Section 8106 of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 1986 (as contained in section 101(b) of Public Law 99-190 (99 Stat. 1221)), is repealed.

#### SEC. 106. TRANSITION.

(a) **GENERAL RULE.**—Except as otherwise provided in this section, this title and the amendments made by this title shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.

(b) **ASSIGNMENT OF FORCES TO COMBATANT COMMANDS.**—Section 162 of title 10, United States Code, as added by section 101, shall take effect at the end of the 90-day period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) **PROGRAM AND BUDGET PROPOSALS.**—Section 165 (other than subsection (f)) of title 10, United States Code, as added by section 101, shall take effect with respect to program and budget proposals for fiscal year 1989.

(d) **SELECTION AND TENURE OF SUBORDINATE OFFICERS.**—Section 166 of title 10, United States Code, as added by section 101, shall take effect at the end of the 90-day period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act.

(e) **COMBATANT COMMAND EVALUATION SYSTEM.**—The uniform system of evaluating the overall capabilities of each unified and specified combatant command required to be established by paragraph (11) of section 141(c) of title 10, United States Code, as added by section 102(a), shall be established not later than the end of the one-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act.