

of the commander of a unified or specified combatant command, or to the staff of such a commander, in a position of importance and responsibility designated by the President under section 601 of this title shall be made by the commander of that command in accordance with procedures prescribed by the Secretary of Defense. Such procedures shall provide for the selection to be made from a list of officers submitted to the commander by the Secretary of the military department concerned and that the commander may specify the number of officers to be included on such a list.

(2) **OTHER OFFICERS.**—Except as provided under paragraph (1), the selection of an officer to an assignment as a principal subordinate officer of the commander of a unified or specified combatant command, or to the staff of such a commander, shall be made by that commander. Such selection shall be made from a list of officers submitted to the commander by the Secretary of the military department concerned. The commander may specify the number of officers to be included on such a list.

(b) **TENURE.**—The tenure of an officer assigned to a combatant command under subsection (a) is subject to the approval of the commander of the combatant command.

§ 167. Joint Commanders Council

(a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—There is hereby established in the Department of Defense a council to be known as the “Joint Commanders Council”. The Council consists of—

(1) the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, who is the head of the Council; and

(2) the commanders of the unified and specified combatant commands.

(b) **FUNCTIONS.**—The Council, as a body, shall—

(1) provide advice to the President and Secretary of Defense on matters with respect to which such advice is requested; and

(2) advise the Chairman, as requested by him, on the execution of the Chairman’s responsibilities.

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CHAPTER 8—DEFENSE AGENCIES

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§ 191. Authority to provide for common performance of supply or service activities

Whenever the Secretary of Defense determines it will be more effective, economical, or efficient, the Secretary shall provide for the performance of a supply or service activity common to more than one military department by one agency or such other organization as the Secretary considers appropriate.