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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON DC**

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MEMORANDUM FOR DUSD (L&MR)

FROM: HQ USAF/ILI

SUBJECT: Migration to the Defense Logistics Management Standards (DLMS) and Elimination of the Military Standard Systems (MILS), your ltr dated January 5, 2004

The Air Force supports migration from MILS format to the DLMS format exchange and incorporation of Unique Identification for all new logistics systems investments. Unfortunately, none of the 12 identified Air Force Installations and Logistics systems will meet the 1 January 2005 deadline for migration since they are targeted for replacement by our proposed Expeditionary Combat Support System (ECSS) project. ECSS will incorporate the numerous mandates levied by Congress, OSD, and the Air Force, but is not envisioned to be in place until well after that date.

Through our IT Portfolio Management process we are carefully evaluating and controlling all legacy system spending in accordance with the OSD Logistics Domain guidance. The cost to modernize the 12 target legacy systems currently using the MILS format is estimated at over \$50M with a time of completion of more than two years. These legacy systems will transition out of our inventory within the next five years if we can keep ECSS on schedule. The Air Force believes that the right strategy is to satisfy DLMS migration through ECSS rather than through major changes to our legacy systems.

In addition, the Air Force has many customers/suppliers that are non-DOD activities; e.g., Foreign Military Sales (FMS), Federal Aviation Administration, National Aeronautical and Space Administration, etc. FMS uses the Security Assistance Management Information System, which uses MILS data to provide materiel, services and financial management capabilities. Maintaining these interfaces for continued support to our non-DoD customers is critical. This must be considered in any DoD migration plan.

Direct any questions to Fred Sartain (AF/ILIS) at 697-6835 or fred.sartain@pentagon.af.mil.

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Attachment:
Migration to Defense Logistics Management Standards
Spreadsheet

cc: AF-CIO