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MEMORANDUM FOR Director, Defense Logistics Management Standards Office
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REF: DUSD, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics Memo dated 22 December 2003

SUBJECT: Request for Waiver for Migration to DLMS

1. Request a waiver be granted to the Defense Medical Logistics Standard Support (DMLSS) system of the December 2004 policy implementation deadline for completion of the migration to DLMS. DMLSS will be 80% migrated to DLMS by March 2005 and projects 100% migration in FY06.
2. DMLSS submitted its DLMS migration plan, DMLSS ASC X12 Implementation Plan - (V1), on 01 March 2004. This plan documents the migration from DLSS (MILS) to the DLMS X12 equivalents to be completed in iterative steps. Migration of approximately 80% of the current DLSS will be completed by March of 2005 as the first step in this process. Two subsequent iterative steps will be required to complete the total migration path. These steps, as outlined in the plan, include: the migration of MILS files that currently do not have a DLMSO mapped X12 equivalent, the migration of MILS files to X12 to support external customers, and the incorporation of XML based files to support these customers and orders to sources other than DLA. Currently, external DMLSS customers, as well as some external sources, do not utilize the translation services provided by DAASC since they communicate with the DMLSS system directly. Therefore, an adoption of a seamless X12/XML environment will be a time consuming but necessary process for DMLSS to accomplish. Estimated completion for all three steps is FY 2006 or later due to DMLSS adoption of XML in addition to X12 which is required to support our external customers.
3. Your favorable consideration of this waiver request is appreciated. For further information or clarification, please contact Mr. Garry Duvall at (703) 575-2384 or Mr. Jeff Guyot at (301) 619-3943.

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