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SUBJECT: GUIDANCE ON USE OF COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT VERY SMALL APERTURE TERMINAL (CSS-VSAT) WITH AUTHORIZED SYSTEMS AND INTERNET-BASED CAPABILITIES

REFERENCES:

A. ARMY REGULATION (AR) 25-1, ARMY KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, DATED 4 DECEMBER 2008.

B. AR 25-2, INFORMATION ASSURANCE, DATED 23 MARCH 2009.

C. AR 360-1, THE ARMY PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAM, DATED 25 MAY 2011.

D. MEMORANDUM FROM DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, POLICY FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD) INTERACTIVE INTERNET ACTIVITIES, DATED 8 JUNE 2007.

E. ATP 4-0.6, TECHNIQUES FOR SUSTAINMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS SUPPORT, DATED 17 JULY 2012.

F. DIRECTIVE-TYPE MEMORANDUM (DTM) 09-026 - RESPONSIBLE AND EFFECTIVE USE OF INTERNET-BASED CAPABILITIES, DATED 25 FEBRUARY 2010.

G. DOD 5500.7-R, JOINT ETHICS REGULATION, DATED 1 AUGUST 1993.

1. (U) PURPOSE: THE CSS-VSAT SYSTEMS ARE TO PROVIDE INTERNET PROTOCOL ROUTER NETWORK (NIPRNET) AND VOICE OVER INTERNET PROTOCOL (VOIP) ACCESS VIA SATELLITE TO COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT (CSS) USERS ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD, AIDING THE IMPROVEMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS WITHIN THE CSS COMMUNITY. OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM IDENTIFIED SIGNIFICANT GAPS IN THE LOGISTICS COMMUNITY THAT WERE FILLED BY CSS-VSAT. THIS ALARACT PROVIDES PROCEDURAL GUIDANCE ON THE AUTHORIZED USE OF CSS-VSAT.

2. (U) APPLICABILITY: THIS GUIDANCE APPLIES TO:

2.A. (U) ALL UNITS WITH CSS-VSAT ON THEIR PROPERTY BOOKS AUTHORIZED IN ACCORDANCE WITH (IAW) AR 71-32 AND ON HAND IN THE ACCOUNTABLE PROPERTY SYSTEM OF RECORD IAW AR 710-2 AND AR 735-5.

2.B. (U) ALL SOLDIERS, CIVILIANS, AND CONTRACT EMPLOYEES USERS OF THE NON-CLASSIFIED NIPRNET

THROUGH CSS-VSAT.

3. (U) DEFINITIONS: UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, THESE TERMS AND THEIR DEFINITIONS ARE FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS GUIDANCE.

3.A. (U) THIS PROCEDURE DEFINES SUSTAINMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS (SIS) AS ALL DOD AND DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY (DA) SIS FOR LOGISTICS, MEDICAL, PERSONNEL, AND FINANCE. SPECIFIC LIS SYSTEMS ARE LISTED IN ENCLOSURE 1.

3.B. (U) INTERNET-BASED CAPABILITIES. ALL PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE INFORMATION CAPABILITIES AND APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE ACROSS THE INTERNET IN LOCATIONS NOT OWNED, OPERATED, OR CONTROLLED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. INTERNET-BASED CAPABILITIES INCLUDE COLLABORATIVE TOOLS SUCH AS PEER-TO-PEER, SOCIAL MEDIA, USER-GENERATED CONTENT, SOCIAL SOFTWARE, E-MAIL, INSTANT MESSAGING, AND DISCUSSION FORUMS (E.G., YOUTUBE, FACEBOOK, MYSPACE, TWITTER, GOOGLE APPS).

4. POLICY/GUIDANCE.

4.A. (U) AUTHORIZED OWNERS: CSS-VSATS ARE AUTHORIZED TO MTOE UNITS BASED ON WARTIME MISSIONS. ALTHOUGH CSS-VSATS CAN BE USED IN GARRISON, THEY CANNOT BE JUSTIFIED OR REQUESTED SOLELY FOR GARRISON USE. UNITS WITH CSS-VSATS ARE ENCOURAGED TO USE THE CSS-VSATS IN GARRISON TO MAINTAIN TRAINING PROFICIENCY.

4.B. (U) INFORMATION ASSURANCE: INFORMATION ASSURANCE REQUIRED IN REFERENCE A AND B ARE APPLICABLE TO CSS-VSAT USERS AND SYSTEMS. CSS-VSAT USERS MUST HAVE SIGNED THE DOD USER AGREEMENT.

4.C. (U) AUTHORIZED SYSTEMS ON THE CSS-VSAT NETWORK.

4.C.1. (U) OPERATING UNAUTHORIZED SYSTEMS OVER THE CSS-VSAT CAN OVERLOAD THE NETWORK AND CAUSE OVERALL POOR NETWORK PERFORMANCE. ENCLOSURE 1 CONTAINS DOD/DA SIS THAT ARE AUTHORIZED TO BE CONNECTED TO THE CSS-VSAT.

4.C.2. (U) PERSONAL OR NON-GOVERNMENT SYSTEMS OR DEVICES ARE PROHIBITED ON THE CSS-VSAT NETWORK.

4.D. (U) INTERNET-BASED CAPABILITIES:

4.D.1. (U) ACCESSING INTERNET-BASED CAPABILITIES THROUGH CSS-VSAT ARE PROHIBITED IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE IMPACTS ON MISSION ESSENTIAL ACTIVITIES.

4.D.2. (U) PRODUCT DIRECTOR DEFENSE WIDE TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS (PD DWTS) WILL MONITOR

SOURCES AND DESTINATIONS OF CSS-VSAT NETWORK TRAFFIC FOR UNAUTHORIZED SYSTEMS AND ACCESS TO INTERNET-BASED CAPABILITIES, EXCEPT THOSE WEBSITES/APPLICATIONS SPECIFICALLY PERMITTED BY PD DWTS.

4.D.3. (U) WHEN A VIOLATION OCCURS, PD DWTS WILL BLOCK THE SYSTEM(S) AND/OR THE CSS-VSAT TERMINAL FROM THE NETWORK IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR CURRENT POLICY AND PROCEDURES.

4.D.4. (U) THE USE OF PROXIES OR ANY OTHER TECHNOLOGY OR PRODUCT TO ACCESS BLOCKED INTERNET-BASED CAPABILITIES IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

5. (U) EXCEPTIONS: DIRECT ALL REQUESTS FOR EXCEPTIONS AND ACCESS TO BLOCKED MISSION ESSENTIAL WEBSITES OR SYSTEMS TO PD DWTS FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL.

6. (U) POINTS OF CONTACT FOR THIS ACTION:

6.A. (U) HQDA G-4: LTC WANDRA ARNOLD, HQDA G-46/CORPORATE INFORMATION OFFICE, WANDRA.F.ARNOLD.MIL@MAIL.MIL, (703) 614-2760, DSN 224-2760.

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7. (U) THIS MESSAGE EXPIRATION CANNOT BE DETERMINED.

ENCLOSURE 1: AUTHORIZED DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE/DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY SUSTAINMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR USE WITH THE COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT VERY SMALL APERTURE TERMINAL (CSS-VSAT)

- 1. COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT AUTOMATED INFORMATION SYSTEMS INTERFACE (CAISI)
- 2. PROPERTY BOOK UNIT SUPPLY ENHANCED (PBUSE)
- 3. PORTABLE DEPLOYMENT KIT (PDK)
- 4. STANDARD ARMY AMMUNITION SYSTEM-MODERNIZATION (SAAS-MOD)
- 5. STANDARD ARMY MAINTENANCE SYSTEM ENHANCED (SAMS-E)
- 6. STANDARD ARMY MAINTENANCE SYSTEM INSTALLATION ENHANCED (SAMS-IE)
- 7. STANDARD ARMY RETAIL SUPPLY SYSTEM (SARSS)
- 8. TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR'S AUTOMATED INFORMATION FOR MOVEMENTS SYSTEM (TC-AIMS)
- 9. UNIT LEVEL LOGISTICS SYSTEM AVIATION ENHANCED (ULLS-A(E))
- 10. GLOBAL COMBAT SUPPORT SYSTEM ARMY (GCSS-ARMY)
- 11. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT TACTICAL PLATFORM (FMTP)
- 12. MEDICAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR COMBAT CASUALTY CARE (MC4)
- 13. DEFENSE MEDICAL LOGISTICS ENTERPRISE APPLICATIONS
- 14. BATTLE COMMAND SUPPORT AND SUSTAINMENT SYSTEM (BCS3)

- 15. MOVEMENT TRACKING SYSTEM (MTS)
- 16. JOINT BATTLE COMMAND-PLATFORM (JBC-P)
- 17. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCE SYSTEM (AHRS)
- 18. REAL-TIME AUTOMATED PERSONNEL IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (RAPIDS)
- 19. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES WORKSTATION (AHRW)
- 20. GENERAL FUND ENTERPRISE BUSINESS SYSTEM (GFEBS)
- 21. INTEGRATED PERSONNEL AND PAY SYSTEM-ARMY (IPPS-A)
- 22. LOGISTICS MODERNIZATION PROGRAM (LMP)
- 23. ARMY WAR RESERVE DEPLOYMENT SYSTEM (AWRDS)

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