Effective April 29, 2013: The DepSecDef’s office requires that all reissued directives contain an executive summary of changes as detailed in the sample. This is a change from the April 5, 2013 policy of requiring line-in/line-out summaries of changes.

This PDF provides a sample of a change summary for a reissued directive that was sent up to the Office of the Deputy Secretary of Defense for signature.

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Executive Summary of Changes
DoD Directive 3600.01, “Information Operations (IO)”

The subject directive was updated in response to changes directed by the June 25, 2011 Secretary of Defense (SecDef) Memorandum, “Strategic Communication and Information Operations in the DoD” (TAB B). Unless otherwise noted in this summary, the SecDef memorandum is the reason for the changes made to this directive.

AUTHORITIES: No changes.

POLICY:
- Directs the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (USD(I)) and Under Secretary of Defense for Policy (USD(P)) to coordinate and de-conflict information gathering programs and intelligence activities.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Moves the Principal Staff Advisor function and oversight of IO from the USD(I) to the USD(P).
- Directs the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (CJCS) to provide oversight of the Joint Information Operations Warfare Center, designating it a Chairman’s Controlled Activity.
- Further assigns responsibilities as follows:
  - To CJCS: Proponency for joint IO, joint military deception, and joint operations security (OPSEC).
  - To USD(I): Development of policy on characterization of the information environment, intelligence support to IO, and OPSEC as a warfighting enabler.

OTHER:
- Modifies the definition of IO, removing references to specific capabilities and broadening the application of IO to any capability employed to achieve an effect in the information environment.
- Establishes an IO Executive Steering Group to execute oversight of IO.