**ACTION MEMO**

**FOR:** DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

**FROM:** [name and title of the Head of your Component]

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Department of Defense Directive [#, “Complete Title”]

* **Purpose.** The subject issuance (TAB A) reissues the existing DoD Directive [#] to update policy and assign responsibilities for [enter appropriate information].
* It should remain a directive because [enter justification – statement must address how it meets the criteria of a directive described in the definition of “direct oversight DoDD” in the Glossary in DoD Instruction 5025.01].
* **Background.** The proposed directive [Briefly summarize the changes made from the current version of the directive online.] A detailed summary of changes is at TAB B. [Use the DoDD Summary of Changes template on our Website]
* This directive was formally coordinated. All the OSD and DoD Components concurred and comments were adjudicated and changes made to the issuance as appropriate. The consolidated comments matrix is at TAB C.
* [If there are any issues other than nonconcurs (e.g., outdated coordinations, unofficial responses, primary agency did not respond), briefly describe them and explain why this issuance should be approved as is. Note that the DepSecDef will rarely approve any issuances presented for signature more than 6 months past the coordination suspense date; justification for signature with outdated coordinations must be compelling.]
* The Office of the General Counsel of the Department of Defense has found this directive to be legally sufficient (TAB D). Any required legal changes were made.
* This directive was reviewed for security concerns. Choose an item.
* **Nonconcurs/Alternative Viewpoints.** [If there are non-concurs or comments that are not fully accepted, indicate the office that non-concurs, the substantive reasons, and alternative viewpoint. OPRs are not required to achieve consensus, but are accountable for fair representation of divergent views.]

**RECOMMENDATION:** That you approve publication of DoD Directive [#] at TAB A by initialing below.

Approve \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Attachment(s):** [adjust as necessary]

TAB A – DoDD [#, “Complete Title”]

TAB B – Summary of Changes

TAB C – DD 818-1 Consolidated Comments Matrix

TAB D – Office of the General Counsel of the Department of Defense Legal Sufficiency Review

TAB E – List of Coordinating Officials